# **OFFERTORY HYMN: CONH 847**

1 I need You every hourMost gracious Lord,No tender voice but Yourscan peace afford

Ref: I need You O I need You, every hour I need You O bless me now, my Saviour, I come to You.

- I need You every hour
   O Lord stay nearby,
   Temptations lose their power when You are near by
- I need You every hour teach me Your will And Your rich promises in me fulfill.
- 4. I need *You* every hour in joy or pain Come quickly and abide, or life is vain
- 5 I need You every hour, Most Holy One O make me Yours indeed, Lord, Blessed Son

#### <u>ABLUTION HYMN - CONH 828-</u> (Self Denial Envelope)

1 'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus Just to take Him by His word Just to rest upon His promise Just to know 'Thus says the Lord"

Ref: Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him How I prove Him o'er and o'er Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus O for grace to trust Him more!

- 2 O how sweet to trust in Jesus Just to trust His cleansing blood Just in simple faith to plunge me 'Neath the healing, cleansing flood
- 3. Yes 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus Just from sin and self to cease Just from Jesus simply taking Life and rest, and joy and peace
- 4 I'm so glad, I learned to trust Him, Precious Jesus, Saviour, Friend, And I know that He is with me He'll be with me to the end.

# **DIOCESE OF LAGOS WEST**

(Anglican Communion)



ARCHBISHOP VINING MEMORIAL CHURCH CATHEDRAL, GRA - IKEJA

2025 LENTEN MIDWEEK EUCHARISTIC SERVICE

Wednesday, 12th March, 2025



6.00pm

THEME:
"BE A BEACON OF LIGHT"

MATT. 5:16

SUB-THEME: UNBELIEF: THE PATHWAY TO SPIRITUAL DARKNESS

THE RT. REVD. DR. JAMES
OLUSOLA ODEDEJI

## ORDER OF SERVICE

CELEBRANT: THE VEN. ABIODUN OMOYELU THE EPISTOLLER: THE REV. MICHAEL OBEMBE THE GOSPELLER: THE REV. FIKAYO ADENLE

PREACHER: THE DEAN

INTERCESSION: THE REV. YINKA AKINPEJU

1. Processional Organ Recital

2. Opening Hymn: CONH 278

3. The Preparation to Penitence – Ven. Dr. B. Okere

4. The Epistle: Hebrews 3:12-19
5. Gradual Hymn CONH 812
6. The Gospel John 2:23-3:15

7. The Message

8. Nicene Creed,

9. Intercession

10. Peace

11. Offertory Hymn: CONH 847

12. Eucharistic Prayers

13. Administration: CONH 282

14. Ablution Hymn: CONH 828 (Self Denial

### Envelopes)

15. Post Communion Prayer

16. Closing Prayer and Benediction

17. Notices

18. Withdrawal: Organ Postlude

#### LENT AND SELF DENIAL - ISAIAH 58:10

Self denial is one of the major essence of LENT. We are to deny ourselves the pleasures of Milk in our Tea, daily soft drinks, meat, fish or egg, buying newspapers, eating three times a day, monetize them and set them aside for WIDOWS, ORPHANS, THE NEEDY AND THE LESS PRIVILEGE. This is the true spirit and essence of LENT.

### **Introductory Sentence**

I am the vine, and you are the branches, says the Lord. Those who abide in Me and I in them, bear much fruit. **John 15:5.** 

## **Collect for the Week:**

Almighty God, Whose Son Jesus Christ fasted for forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are, yet without sin, give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to Your Spirit: and as You know our weakness, so may we know Your power to save, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **Collect for the Season:**

Almighty and merciful God, You hate nothing that You have made and forgive the sins of all those who are penitent. Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, we may receive from You, the God of all mercy, perfect forgiveness and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **OPENING HYMN – CONH 278**

- Just as I am, without one plea, But that Thy blood was shed for me, And that Thou bid me come to Thee, O Lamb of God. I come.
- Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind Sight, riches, healing of the mind, Yea, all I need in Thee to find, O Lamb of God, I come.
- Just as I am, and waiting not,
   To rid my soul of one dark blot,
   Thou hast the blood that cleanses spot,
   O Lamb of God, I come.
- 4 Just as I am, Thou wilt receive Will welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve Because Thy promise I believe O Lamb of God, I come.
- 5. Just as I am, though tossed about With many conflicts many a doubt Fightings and fears within, without O Lamb of God, I come.
- 6 Just as I am, Thy love unknown Has broken every barrier down Now to be Thine, and Thine alone, O Lamb of God, I come. Amen

## **GRADUAL HYMN: CONH 812**

- Be gone unbelief, my Saviour is near And for my relief, will surely appear; By prayer let me wrestle and He will perform With Christ in the vessel, smile at the storm.
- Though dark be my way, since He is my Guide,
   'Tis mine to obey,' tis His to provide
   Though cisterns be broken, and creatures all fail
   The word He has spoken shall surely prevail.
- Why should I complain, of want or distress, Temptation or pain? He told me no less The heirs of salvation I know from His word Through much tribulation must follow their Lord.
- 4 How bitter the cup no heart can conceive Which He drank right up that sinners might live His way was much rougher and darker than mine Did Jesus thus suffer, and shall I repine?
- 5. His love in time past forbids me to think
  He'll leave me at last, in trouble to sink
  Each sweet Ebenezer, I have in review
  Confirms His good pleasure to help me right through.
- 6 Since all that I meet shall work for my good. The bitter is sweet the medicine is food It's painful at present 'twill ease before long And then O how pleasant the conqueror's song.



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