

**Order Of Lenten Service**

Opening Hymn: TLH 145

Reading: **Lent V**

*The History of the Passion of our Lord*

Sermon Hymn: TLH 613

**Sermon Text: Hebrews 13:14**

*No Continuing City*

Prayer

Holy Communion

The Lord's Prayer

The Blessing

Closing Hymn: TLH 159

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Bible Study: Lambs: Romans 5:8; God's Love  
Sheep: Proverbs 1:10-14; Your Choice



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Independent Christian Church—Conservative Lutheran Doctrine

Worship Service: 9:30 a.m.

Bible Study: 10:45 a.m.

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***No Continuing City***

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**14: For here have we no continuing city, but we seek one to come.**

The Holy Spirit has just told us in the previous verses that the Son of God suffered ***“without (outside) the gate”*** of the city, and that, as his Bride, we should ***“go forth therefore unto him without the camp, bearing his reproach.”***

Now here in verse 14 the Spirit gives us one reason why: ***“For here have we no continuing city, but we seek one to come.”***

Truth be told, the children of the Devil don't have a ***continuing city*** in this world either. They just *think* they have.

The first mention of the word ***“city”*** in Scripture is found in Genesis 4:16-17. “And Cain went out from the presence of the LORD, and dwelt in the land of Nod, on the east of Eden. And Cain knew his wife; and she conceived, and bare Enoch: ***and he builded a city***, and called the name of the city, after the name of his son, Enoch.”

So Cain built a city. But where is it? More than likely it was destroyed during the Flood.



Yet the children of the Devil go right on living for this world as if what they build will continue on forever. “Their inward thought is, that their houses shall continue for ever, and their dwelling places to all generations; they call their lands after their own names.” Psalm 49:11. But a Final Day is coming when everything they built will be consumed in the fire. II Peter 3:10-13.

No one has a ***continuing city*** here on this earth. But as the Bride of Christ, we can look forward with confidence toward a city to come which will last forever.