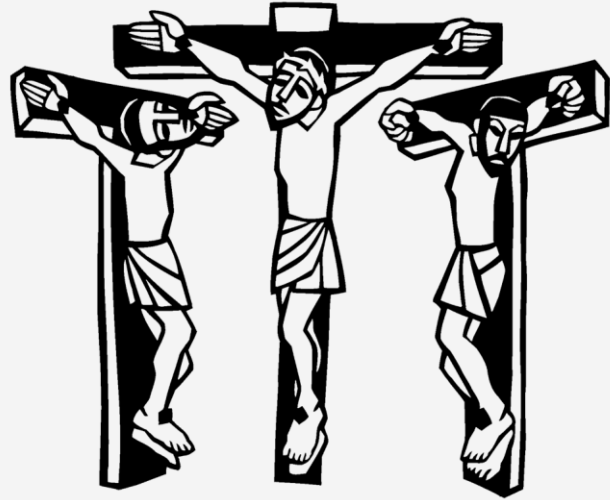


GOOD FRIDAY

7:00 PM





SAINT LUKE CHURCH

A warm welcome to all who gather in the name of Christ this morning. If you are looking for a church home, we hope you will consider Saint Luke Church.

Please enter the church using the Courtyard entrance.

Out of an abundance of caution everyone is required to wear a mask in the church and during the service.

Everyone must sign in and have their temperature taken, which will not be recorded. Please go right to your seat after you have signed in.

There will be no singing by the congregation and responses and prayers should be spoken quietly.

Following the service an usher will dismiss you from your seat. Please exit immediately. Pastor will greet people in the courtyard, weather permitting.

Free parking is available in the parking garage behind the church. Enter from Melrose St. (one block north of Belmont).

If there is anything else we can do to assist your worship experience, please let the ushers know.

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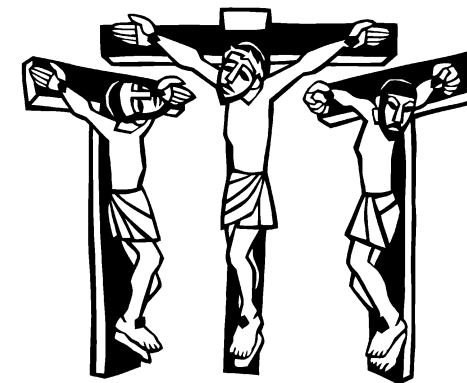
With this Good Friday liturgy we continue our celebration of the Three Days of Jesus' death and resurrection. Though we devoutly gather to recall our Lord's passion, we celebrate the wonder and mystery of the cross in the sure hope of the resurrection.

At the heart of the liturgy is the passion reading according to Saint John. John proclaims Jesus as a triumphant king who reigns from the cross. The gospel enables us to call this Friday "Good," for it celebrates the victory of the cross. Jesus' final words are not ones of desolation, but triumph: "It is finished."

As Jesus is lifted up from the earth, he draws all people to himself. On this solemn day we use the ancient Bidding Prayer, offering petitions for the whole world for which Christ died.

Finally we honor the cross as the sign of the world's redemption; from it flows forgiveness, healing, and salvation. We acclaim the cross as the tree of life, for as Christ vanquishes death and evil the world is given new birth and a living hope. With all the faithful we are invited to worship, bowing before this great mystery of our faith.

We depart in silence, ready to return for the Vigil of Easter and the culmination of the Three Days.



THE LITURGY OF GOOD FRIDAY

APRIL 2, 2021 7:00 PM



The congregation gathers in silence.

Stand Prayer of the Day

Sit Reading

Isaiah 52:13-53:12

The reading concludes:

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalmody

Psalm 22

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

Why so far from saving me, so far from the words
of my groaning?

My God, I cry out by day, but you do not answer;
by night, but I find no rest.

Yet you are the Holy One,
enthroned on the praises of Israel.

Our forebears put their trust in you;
they trusted, and you rescued them.

They cried out to you and were delivered;
they trusted in you and were not put to shame.

But as for me, I am a worm and not human,
scorned by all and despised by the people.

All who see me laugh me to scorn;
they shake their heads.

"Trust in the LORD; let the LORD deliver;
let God rescue him if God so delights in him."

Yet you are the one who drew me forth from the womb,
and kept me safe on my mother's breast.

I have been entrusted to you ever since I was born;
you were my God when I was still in my mother's womb.

Be not far from me, for trouble is near,
and there is no one to help.

Many young bulls encircle me;
strong bulls of Bashan surround me.

They open wide their jaws at me,
like a slashing and roaring lion.

I am poured out like water;
all my bones are out of joint;
my heart within my breast is melting wax.

My strength is dried up like a potsherd;
my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth;
and you have laid me in the dust of death.
Packs of dogs close me in, a band of evildoers
circles round me;
they pierce my hands and my feet.

I can count all my bones.
while they stare at me and gloat.
They divide my garments among them;
for my clothing they cast lots.

But you, O LORD, be not far away;
O my help, hasten to help me.
Deliver me from the sword,
my life from the power of the dog.

Save me from the lion's mouth!
From the horns of wild bulls you have rescued me.
I will declare your name to my people;
in the midst of the assembly I will praise you.

You who fear the LORD, give praise! All you of Jacob's line give glory.
Stand in awe of the LORD, all you off-spring of Israel.
For the LORD does not despise nor abhor the poor in
their poverty; neither is the LORD's face hidden from
them; but when they cry out the LORD hears them.

From you comes my praise in the great assembly;
I will perform my vows in the sight of those
who fear the LORD.
The poor shall eat and be satisfied.
Let those who seek the LORD give praise!
May your hearts live forever!

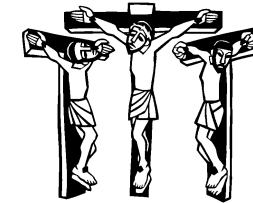
All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD,
all the families of the nations shall bow before the God.
For dominion belongs to the LORD,
who rules over the nations.

Indeed all who sleep in the earth shall bow down in worship;
all who go down to the dust, though they be dead, shall kneel before the LORD.
Their descendants shall serve the LORD;
Whom they shall proclaim to generations to come.

They shall proclaim God's deliverance to a people yet unborn,
saying to them, "The LORD has acted."



THE PASSION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST
Saint John 18:1-19:42



Silence for prayer and reflection follows the reading of the passion.

Hymn

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

The stanzas of the hymn will be interspersed throughout the passion reading

O sacred head, now wounded, with grief and shame weighed down,
now scornfully surrounded with thorns, think only crown;
O sacred head, what glory, what bliss till now was thine!
Yet, though despised and gory, I joy to call thee mine.

How pale thou art with anguish, with sore abuse and scorn;
how does thy face now languish, which once was bright as morn!
Thy grief and bitter passion were all for sinners' gain;
mine, mine was the transgression, but thine the deadly pain.

What language shall I borrow to thank thee, dearest friend,
for this thy dying sorrow, thy pity without end?
Oh, make me thine forever, and should I fainting be,

Lord, let me never, never outlive my love to thee.

Lord, be my consolation; shield me when I must die;
Remind me of thy passion when my last hour draws nigh.
These eyes, new faith receiving, from thee shall never move;
For all who die believing die safely in thy love.

Homily

Bidding Prayer

*The assisting minister leads the bids. Silence follows each bid.
The presiding minister speaks the prayers. Each petition concludes:*

We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Finally, let us pray for all those things for which our Lord would have us ask, saying:


**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen**

Following the bidding prayer, please stand and face the rear of the sanctuary.

Stand Procession of the Cross


The following is sung three times during the procession:

Leader



Be-hold the life-giv-ing cross, on which was hung the Sa-vior of the whole world.

Assembly



Oh, come, let us wor - ship him.

Meditation on the Cross

When the cross is placed in its stand, please stand. Then come forward as directed by the ushers.

Since the fourth century Christians have participated in this Good Friday ritual. The cross is honored as a sign of life, healing, and resurrection. Beyond words, this ritual engages our bodies as our hearts are opened to the mystery of Jesus' life-giving death. Those who desire may come forward to pause or offer a profound bow as a sign of reverence.

Sit Anthem: "Christ, we do all adore thee"

Theodore DuBois

From "The Seven last words of Christ upon the Cross"

Christ, we do all adore Thee, and we do praise the forever (repeated)

For on the Holy Cross hast Thou the world from sin redeemed. Christ we do

Hymn

Ah, Holy Jesus

Ah, holy Jesus how have you offended,
That mortal judgment has on you descended?
By foes derided, by your own rejected, O most afflicted!

Who was the guilty? Who brought this upon you?
Alas, my treason, Jesus has undone you.
'Twas I, Lord Jesus, I it was denied you; I crucified you.

Lo, the Good Shepherd for the sheep is offered;

The slave has sinned, and the Son has suffered:
For our atonement, while we nothing heeded, God interceded.

For me, kind Jesus, was your incarnation,
Your mortal sorrow and your life's oblation.
Your death of anguish and your bitter passion, for my salvation.

Therefore, kind Jesus, since I cannot pay you,
I do adore you, and will ever pray you,
Think on your pity and your love unswerving. Not my deserving



Hymn

Lift High the Cross

Refrain: Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim till all the world adore his sacred name.

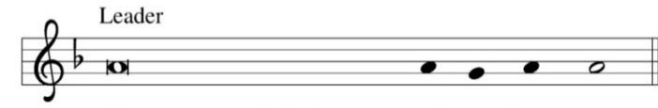
Come, Christians, follow where our captain trod,
our king victorious, Christ the Son of God. **Refrain**

All newborn servants of the Crucified
Bear on their brows the seal of him who died. **Refrain**

O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
as thou hast promised, draw us all to thee. **Refrain**

So shall our song of triumph ever be;
Praise to the Crucified for victory! **Refrain**

Stand



We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.



By your holy cross you have re-deemed the world.

The liturgy does not end in darkness and sadness. Throughout the Three Days we glory in the cross even as we proclaim the resurrection. There is no blessing. Please leave in silence or kneel or be seated in the sanctuary for as long as you desire. The liturgy continues tomorrow at 7:00 pm (online) for the Great Vigil of Easter, livestreamed from Holy Trinity Lutheran Church.

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