



GOOD FRIDAY

"Helping others receive grace, purpose and direction by proclaiming Christ's love."

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April 10, 2020
6:30 p.m.

Prayer Before Worship: Gracious god, on this day you stand in solidarity with us, for our pain is your pain. We believe—help our unbelief—that you love us and forgive us, for we know not what we do. Amen.

(In preparation for our worship together, you are invited to take a moment of silence to offer your own prayers of worship and praise.)

Congregational responses are printed in **BOLD** type.

A Warm Welcome to all as we gather as God's people to worship our Lord. We pray our worship together would strengthen your faith and desire to know and serve the One who loves us with an everlasting love as made known to us in Jesus Christ.

Visitors, if you are worshipping with us online today, we are glad to have you with us.

Prelude Music/Gathering

Welcome and Announcements

‡WE PREPARE OUR HEARTS‡

Adoration of the Cross

Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.

By his holy cross he has redeemed the world.

Remember his words,

For they are our light.

Remember his works,

For they are our example.

Remember his grace,

For it is ours to receive.

Remember his glory,

For it is the brilliance of God.

Remember his pain,

For it was not deserved.

Remember his sorrow,

For it was for our hardness of heart.

Remember his life,

For it was perfect before God.

Remember his death,

For it was ours.

Behold the Lamb of God,

Who takes away the sin of the world.

Behold the life-giving cross, on which was hung the Savior of the whole world.

Oh, come, let us worship him.

Hymn:

“The Old Rugged Cross”

OSB #220 vv. 1,2

**1. On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross
The emblem of suff'ring and shame
And I love that old cross where the dearest and best
For a world of lost sinners was slain**

Chorus

**So I'll cherish the old rugged cross
Till my trophies at last I lay down
I will cling to the old rugged cross
And exchange it some day for a crown**

**2. O that old rugged cross so despised by the world
Has a wondrous attraction for me
For the dear Lamb of God left His glory above
To bear it to dark Calvary. Chorus**

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God,

look with loving mercy on your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, to be given over to the hands of sinners, and to suffer death on the cross. Grant that we who have been born out of his wounded side may hold fast to our faith in him and find mercy in all times of need; through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen.

‡GOD'S WORD SPEAKS TO US‡

Response after the announcement of the gospel:
Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel Reading

Mark 14:43-46, 15:16-20

While Jesus was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; and with him there was a crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests, the scribes, and the elders. ⁴⁴Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, "The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him and lead him away under guard." ⁴⁵So when he came, he went up to him at once and said, "Rabbi!" and kissed him. ⁴⁶Then they laid hands on him and arrested him.

¹⁶Then the soldiers led him into the courtyard of the palace (that is, the governor's headquarters); and they called together the whole cohort. ¹⁷And they clothed him in a purple cloak; and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on him. ¹⁸And they began saluting him, "Hail, King of the Jews!" ¹⁹They struck his head with a reed, spat upon him, and knelt down in homage to him. ²⁰After mocking him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him out to crucify him.

Response after the gospel reading:
Praise to you, O Christ.

Homily

Pastor Sheryl

Hymn:

"Were You There?"

ELW #353 vv. 1-2, 5

**1. Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?**

**2. Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?**

**5. Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?**

HAMMERING OF THE NAILS

*(The nails are hammered into the cross tonight
to symbolize that it was indeed our sin which drove Jesus to the cross.)*

‡WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD‡

Profession of Faith: Apostles Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

Each prayer petition ends with:

Hear us, O God....

Your mercy is great.

The prayers conclude with:

Through Christ our Lord..... **Amen.**

Sharing of the Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

(You are invited to share the peace of Christ with one another)

Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

God of glory, receive these gifts and the offering of our lives. As Jesus was lifted up from the earth, draw us to your heart in the midst of this world, that all creation may be brought from bondage to freedom, from darkness to light, and from death to life; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

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**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

“Watch the Lamb”

Soloist: Austin Martin

*A brief silence is kept
as we reflect on the gift given to us through the cross of Christ.*

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

By your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Postlude

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‡In Our Thoughts and Prayers‡

Prayers for healing: **Jean Collins** (Health Issues), **Kathy Johnson** (Health Issues), **Vicki** (ICU-Lung Embolism—friend of Susan Martin), **Betty Kenyon** (recovering from emergency surgery—friend of Valerie Rahrs), **Alan** (recovery of vision after surgery--Kathy Randall's cousin), **Kenny & Alice Shriver** (recovering), **Mylah Buckley** (RSV—granddaughter of Jim & Sheila Miller), **Jordan Hein** (cancer surgery—former member of Calvary), **Wes Sell** (recovering), **Neal Blomenkamp** (recovering from surgery), **Dee Brady** (recovering from surgery), **Steve Kaufman** (recovering), **Norman Stevens** (Dave Steven's brother), **Michael Lueningborg** (heart surgery—brother of Deanna Zweifel), **Ron Hettinger** (heart & medical conditions—Marcy Miller's father), **Mabel Dedlow** (healing), **Candy** (cancer surgery--friend of Susan Martin), **Michael Dietrich** (friend of Dave & Penny Stevens), **Julie** (cancer treatment--Travis Miller family), **Barb** (cancer--Marlene Downer's sister-in-law), **Joan** (cancer--niece of Marj Nikont), **Patty** (cancer--Jim Dorn's sister-in-law), **Kevin Feil** (healing--Melissa Guerrero's father), **Bonnie Noble** (Leah Nikont's mother).

Prayers for comfort and peace: For the family and friends of **Florence Kasza** (Fran Johnson & Barbara Tallmon's sister)

Prayers for our church, community, nation and world: in this time of Covid-19.



Your Offerings: Dear friends, we hope that you will remember the expenses of the church (utilities, salaries, insurance, and more) all continue on, even if we do not gather together for worship. So please consider this your gentle reminder to send or drop off your offerings to the church office. You may also scan the QR code in this bulletin or go to our website and use the 'give now' button on our home page to give

electronically. If you have not already created a profile for giving electronically, you will need to do so first. If you need any help with this, do not hesitate to contact us.

**H A P P Y
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Bill Thomas, 4/5; Gregg Gingrich, 4/6; Will Voss, 4/6;

Monty Copsey, 4/9; Tanner Blomenkamp, 4/9; Ruth Harris 4/9

If we have missed your birthday, please let the office know. Thanks.