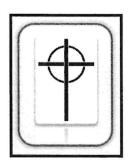
# Good Friday

10:30 a.m. - March 29th, 2024



# "THE CROSS"

#### **☆ THE PREPARATION** ◆

Pre Service Music / Lighting of the Candles

Ringing of the Bells

Silence

(the officiants enter)

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- P: In the name of the Father and of the Son 🕆 and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.
- P: Come, let us fix our eyes on Jesus,
- C: The Author and Perfector of our faith,
- P: Who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, scorned its shame,
- C: And now sits at the right hand of the throne of God.
- P: Consider Him who endured such opposition from sinful men
- C: So that you will not grow weary and lose heart. (Hebrews 12:2-4)
- P: Almighty God, direct the eyes of our hearts to see You and the grace You abundantly pour forth. Help us, this day, to focus on the sacrifice of Jesus, His wounds, His suffering and death and the placing of His body in the sealed tomb. Move our hearts to behold the wonderful love You have for us which led Jesus to His passion. This we pray in the name of Jesus, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

## Opening Hymn

## "Jesus, Refuge of the Weary"

- Jesus, refuge of the weary, Blest redeemer, whom we love, Fountain in life's desert dreary, Savior from the world above: Often have Your eyes, offended, Gazed upon the sinner's fall; Yet upon the cross extended, You have borne the pain of all.
- Do we pass that cross unheeding, Breathing no repentant vow, Though we see You wounded, bleeding, See Your thorn encircled brow? Yet Your sinless death has brought us Life eternal, peace, and rest; Only what Your grace has taught us Calms the sinner's deep distress.
- Jesus, may our hearts be burning With more fervent love for You; May our eyes be ever turning To behold Your cross anew Till in glory, parted never From the blessed Savior's side, Graven in our hearts forever, Dwell the cross, the Crucified.

The Lesson Isaiah 53:1-9

## Hymn Response

"Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted" vs. 1 & 2

Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted, See Him dying on the tree!
Tis' the Christ, by man rejected, Yes my soul, 'tis He, 'tis He!
'Tis the long Expected Prophet,
David's Son, yet David's Lord;
Proofs I see sufficient of it:
Tis the true and faithful Word.

Tell me, ye who hear Him groaning, Was there ever grief like His" Friends, through fear His cause disowning, Foes insulting his distress Many hands were raised to wound Him, None would intervene to save; But the deepest stroke that pierced Him Was the stroke that justice gave.

The Epistle Hebrews 12:1-2

Special Music Response "THANK YOU JESUS FOR THE BLOOD" - Jessie Wendt, soloist

## Prayer

## Hymn Response

"Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted" vs. 3 & 4

Ye who think of sin but lightly Nor suppose the evil great Here may view its nature rightly, Here its guilt may estimate. Mark the Sacrifice appointed, See who bears the awful load; 'Tis the Word, the Lord's Anointed, Son of Man and Son of God.

Here we have a firm Foundation, Here the Refuge of the lost:
Christ, the Rock of our salvation, Is the Name on which we boast;
Lamb of God, for sinners wounded,
Sacrificed to cancel guilt!
None shall ever be confounded
Who, on Him their hope have built.

Holy Gospel John 19:16-24, 28-30

## Hymn Response

"O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" vs. 1-2

O sacred Head, now wounded, With grief and shame weighed down, Now scornfully surrounded With thorns, Thine 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 You are with anguish, With sore abuse and scorn! How doth Thy face now languish, That once were bright as morn. Grim death, with cruel rigor, hath robbed Thee of Thy life; Thus Thou hast lost Thy vigor, Thy strength in this sad strife.

#### Sermon

# "GETTING IT RIGHT"

## Hymn Response

## "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" vs. 3-4

What Thou, my Lord, hast suffered, Was all for sinners' gain; Mine, mine was the transgression, But Thine the deadly pain. Lo, here I fall, my Savior! 'Tis I deserve Thy place; Look on me with Thy favor, And grant to me Thy grace.

My Shepherd, now receive me; My Guardian, own me Thine. Great blessings Thou didst give me, O source of gifts divine. Thy lips have often fed me With words of truth and love; Thy Spirit oft hath led me To heavenly joys above.

## The Offering is Received

## Litany of the Cross

- P: Jesus, Son of God and Redeemer of the world:
- C: Have mercy on us.
- P: Jesus, sold by Judas for thirty pieces of silver:
- C: Have mercy on us.
- P: Jesus, betrayed by a kiss and denied by a word:
- C: Have mercy on us.
- P: Jesus, abandoned by Your friends and abused by Your enemies:
- C: Have mercy on us.
- P: Jesus, bound by the soldiers and forsaken by the authorities:
- C: Have mercy on us.
- P: Jesus, accused by false witnesses:
- C: Have mercy on us.
- P: Jesus, found guilty and sentenced to death:
- C: Have mercy on us.
- P: Jesus, spat upon and struck in the face:
- C: Have mercy on us.
- P: Jesus, denied three times by Peter:
- C: Have mercy on us.

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- P: Jesus, rejected in favor of Barabbas:
- C: Have mercy on us.
- P: Jesus, whipped and bruised for our sins:
- C: Have mercy on us
- P: Jesus, covered with a scarlet robe and crowned with thorns:
- C: Have mercy on us.
- P: Jesus, laden with the heavy weight of the cross:
- C: Have mercy on us.
- P: Jesus, stripped of your garments and nailed to the cross:
- C: Have mercy on us.
- P: Jesus, declaring Yourself forsaken by the cross:
- C: Have mercy on us.
- P: Jesus, crying out in agony, "It is finished!"
- C: Have mercy on us.
- P: Jesus, pierced with a spear and taken down from the cross:
- C: Have mercy on us.
- P: Jesus, placed in the tomb:
- C: Have mercy on us.
- P: Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world:
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## The Lord's Prayer (prayed in unison)

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.

## "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" [LSB #425]

- When I survey the wondrous cross On which the Prince of Glory died, My richest gain I count but loss, And pour contempt on all my pride.
- 2. Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast Save in the death of Christ, my God; All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to His blood.
- 3. See, from His head, His hands, His feet, Sorrow and love flow mingled down. Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, Or thorns compose so rich a crown?
- 4. Were the whole realm of nature mine, That were a tribute far too small; Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my soul, my life, my all!

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- P: We adore You, O Christ, we worship You, we praise You and exalt You! Give us Your blessing.
- C: Because by Your cross You have redeemed the whole world.

After the pastors recess to the sacristy, please say a silent prayer and depart in silence. You are welcome to stay and pray in the silence as long as you wish.

We return Sunday to celebrate the Festival of the Resurrection.

As you leave the sanctuary



...in quietness for prayer