



**Good Friday**  
March 29, 2024

**Messiah Lutheran Church**  
*Light in the Beartooths*

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# Welcome to Messiah Lutheran Church

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## Gathering

*Please gather in silence*

*We rise in body or spirit.*

### **Prayer of the Day**

**Almighty God, look with loving mercy on your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, and to be given over to the hands of sinners and to suffer death on the cross; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.**

## Word

### **Isaiah 52:13-53:12**

See, my servant shall prosper; he shall be exalted and lifted up, and shall be very high. Just as there were many who were astonished at him—so marred was his appearance, beyond human semblance, and his form beyond that of mortals— so he shall startle many nations; kings shall shut their mouths because of him; for that which had not been told them they shall see, and that which they had not heard they shall contemplate.

Who has believed what we have heard? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed? For he grew up before him like a young plant, and like a root out of dry ground; he had no form or majesty that we should look at him, nothing in his appearance that we should desire him. He was despised and rejected by others; a man of suffering and acquainted with infirmity; and as one from whom others hide their faces he was despised, and we held him of no account.

Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all. (continues on next page...)

He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. By a perversion of justice he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future?

For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people. They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth. Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him with pain. When you make his life an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the LORD shall prosper. Out of his anguish he shall see light; he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge. The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out himself to death, and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

### **Hebrews 10:16-25**

“This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord: I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds,” he also adds, “I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more.” Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.

Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

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## **Bidding Prayers** *(Silence follows each petition)*

Let us pray, brothers and sisters, for the holy church throughout the world.

Let us pray for Elizabeth and Laurie, our bishops, for pastors, for all servants of the church and for all people of God.

Let us pray for our sisters and brothers who share our faith in Jesus Christ.

Let us pray for the Jewish people, the first to hear the word of God.

Let us pray for those who do not share our faith in Jesus Christ.

Let us pray for those who do not believe in God.

Let us pray for God's creation.

Let us pray for those who serve in public office.

Let us pray for those in need.

## **The Lord's Prayer**

Finally let us pray for all those things for which our Lord would have us ask.

**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**

## **Procession of the Cross**

Behold the life-giving cross, on which was hung the Savior of the whole world  
**Oh, come, let us worship him.**

## Solemn Reproaches *(There are 11 Reproaches)*

**Response: Trisagion - Paul Vasile**

Ho - ly God, — Ho - ly and Might - y,  
Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy on us. —

*(Silence...)*

## **Prayer Around the Cross**

*(Time for Silent Meditation and Lighting of Candles)*

*During this time, you are invited to approach the cross with lighted candles, signs of our prayers for healing and wholeness in our lives and/or the lives of others.*

*(Music Reflections)*

## **Sing, My Tongue** *(verses 1,5-7)*

Venantius Honorius Fortunatus

## **O Sacred Head, Now Wounded**

Hans Leo Hassler

## **ELW 616 Jesus, Remember Me** *(congregational hymn)*

Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your king - dom.  
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## **Were You There**

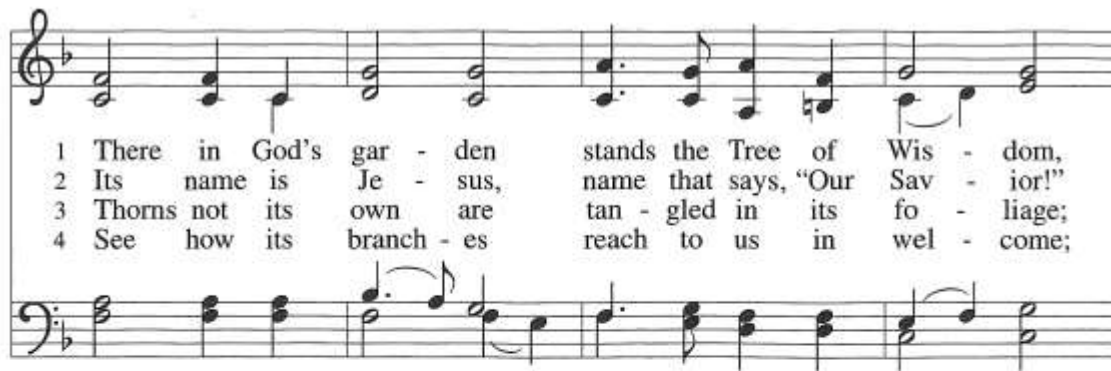
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We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

**By your holy cross you have redeemed the world.**

# Hymn ELW 342| There in God's Garden

*Listen to the cello once and join on verse one*



1 There in God's gar - den stands the Tree of Wis - dom,  
2 Its name is Je - sus, name that says, "Our Sav - ior!"  
3 Thorns not its own are tan - gled in its fo - liage;  
4 See how its branch - es reach to us in wel - come;



whose leaves hold forth the heal - ing of the na - tions;  
There on its branch - es see the scars of suf - f'ring;  
our greed has starved it, our de - spite has choked it.  
hear what the Voice says, "Come to me, ye wea - ry!"



Tree of all knowl - edge, Tree of all com -  
see there the ten - drils of our hu - man  
Yet, look! it lives! its grief has not de -  
Give me your sick - ness, give me all your



pas - sion, Tree of all beau - ty.  
self - hood feed on its life - blood.  
stroyed it nor fire con - sumed it.  
sor - row, I will give bless - ing."

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## Psalm 22

*(The service ends with the slamming of the book, signifying the closing of the tomb. Please stay as you like, and leave in silence.)*

## **Holy Week**

Good Friday **6:00 pm**

Easter Vigil **6:00 pm**

Resurrection of Our Lord (Easter Sunday!) **10:00 am**

*(Brunch to follow)*

### **Prayer Requests**

For prayer requests, contact the church office at 446-2430 or *redlodgemessiah@gmail.com* or write your request in the prayer request binder in the church gathering space. with specific information and permission from the person you are adding.

Today the people of Messiah are praying for Jackie Cordill, Brooke Feister, Dolly & Jim Koski, Rick & Sandy Koski, Phyllis Kreatz, Eugene Rosekelly, and Shirley Petersen

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**Thank you.**