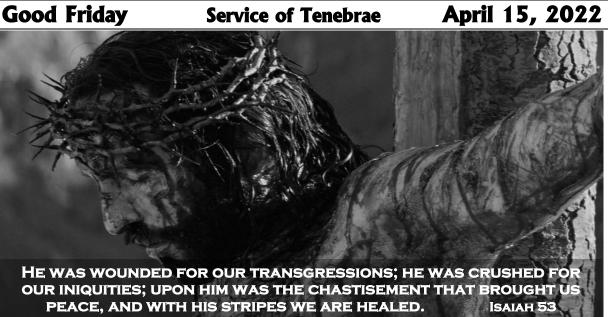
Risen Savior Lutheran Church

The Lutheran Church Missouri Synod - Basehor, Kansas



Good Friday

Service of Tenebrae



A Service of Darkness. To impress upon the minds and hearts of believers the terrible consequence of sin and the magnitude of the Savior's sacrifice for sin, the ancient church held a special service called the "Tenebrae" is a Latin word meaning "shadows" or "darkness." The gradual extinguishing of the candles and darkening of the church during the service reminds us of the events that led to the deep darkness that covered the earth when our Savior hung on the cross. Beyond this darkness, however, is light and eternal victory for all believers in Christ. Darkness is not the last word.

This service is marked by rich symbolism. The chancel area remains stripped bare from the previous night in our Lord's humiliation. A black veil is placed over the wall cross, as a sign of mourning. A black veil is placed on the processional cross. There is an old custom of covering crosses in churches with a purple veil or drape during Lent, with a black veil or drape on Good Friday, the day Christ died for our sins. Much like the custom of a widow wearing a black veil and black clothing following her husband's death, so too the Church, the bride of Christ, symbolically is in mourning. Much like the custom of a widow wearing a black veil and black clothing following her husband's death, so too the Church, the bride of Christ, symbolically is in mourning. The bells symbolize our Savior's lashes. A single candle is removed near the end of the service to represent Christ's death, burial, and hidden in the darkness of the tomb. The candle is then brought back into the sanctuary to represent that even in death, the forces of hell's darkness cannot prevail against Christ and His Church. Five strikes are made for the five wounds of Christ- hands, feet, and side. The sound of the closing of the book at the end of the service acknowledges that the purpose of the cross has been fulfilled all Scripture and salvation: "It is finished." The penalty for all sin has been paid by Christ.

Good Friday is a day for repentance over sin and restrained joy and praise for the redemption Christ accomplished for us on the cross. Do not mourn for Christ. He lives! Instead, mourn for your sins. To properly meditate upon our Lord's sacred and sorrowful Passion, we must, all of us, realize that we share in the quilt of those responsible for His execution. This day is called Good Friday, on this day all creation looks, Jesus died to pay of all people past, present, and future. Through His death our dear Father in heaven has bought about the greatest good for humanity: forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation.

The congregation assembles in silence during this most sacred night.

Tonight's offering is collected at the door.

At the end of the service, please remain silence until you have left the Church Nave.

THE RINGING OF THE SOMBER BELLS

The somber bell sets the tone for our service. They will ring 40 times in 2 sets of 20. Each ring of the bell symbolizes a lash to our Savior's body when He was scourged for our sins. After the second set of rings, the congregation stands and turns to face the processional cross in the rear of the sanctuary. The congregation continues to face the cross throughout the processional liturgy.

Stand

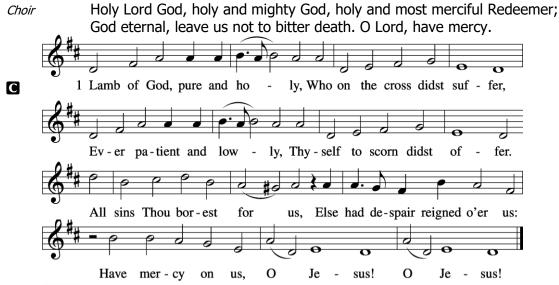
During the processional, please turn to face the cross at the rear of the church and follow it to the front of the church. You may wish to bow as it passes you in reverence to Christ.

+ The Good Friday Procession +

The Reproaches, liturgy from the 4th century, are the words of our Lord against His people, the Church, to which the congregation responds with a plea for mercy.

THE FIRST REPROACH AND RESPONSE

In Thus says the Lord: What have I done to you, O my people, and wherein have I offended you? Answer me. For I have raised you up out of the prison house of sin and death, and you have delivered up your Redeemer to be scourged. For I have redeemed you from the house of bondage, and you have nailed your Savior to the cross. For I draw you to Myself to give you life and you choose to go your own way. I give you what is good and you desire evil. O my people.

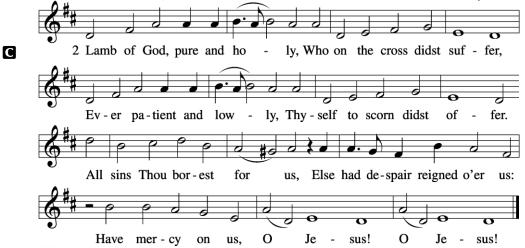


THE SECOND REPROACH AND RESPONSE

Thus says the Lord: What have I done to you, O my people, and wherein have I offended you? Answer me. For I have conquered all your foes, and you have given me over and delivered me to those who persecute me. For I have fed you with my Word, refreshed you with living water, and you have given me gall and vinegar to drink. I desire to lead and guide you and herd you in goodness and you kill the Shepherd. O my people.



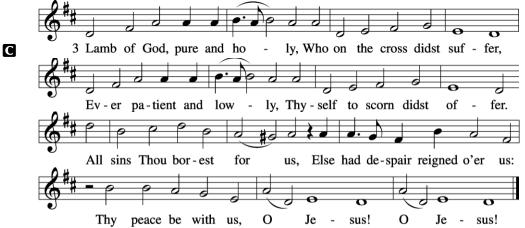
Holy Lord God, holy and mighty God, holy and most merciful Redeemer; God eternal, leave us not to bitter death. O Lord, have mercy.



THE THIRD REPROACH AND RESPONSE

Thus says the Lord: What have I done to you, O my people, and wherein have I offended you? Answer me. What more could I give you to show my love? What more could have been done for my vineyard than I have done for it? When I looked for good grapes, why did it yield only bad? My people, is this how you thank your God? O my people.

Choir Holy Lord God, holy and mighty God, holy and most merciful Redeemer; God eternal, leave us not to bitter death. O Lord, have mercy.



COLLECT OF THE DAY

- We pray, Almighty God, graciously behold this Your family, for who our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, to be given into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death on the cross; who now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- **G** Amen.

Sit

OLD TESTAMENT Isaiah 52:13—53:12 The Suffering Servant

¹³Behold, my servant shall act wisely; he shall be high and lifted up, and shall be exalted. ¹⁴As many were astonished at you— his appearance was so marred, beyond human semblance, and his form beyond that of the children of mankind—¹⁵so shall he sprinkle many nations; kings shall shut their mouths because of him; for that which has not been told them they see, and that which they have not heard they understand.

¹Who has believed what they heard from us? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed? ²For 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, and no beauty that we should desire him. ³He was despised and rejected by men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief; and as one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not. ⁴Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. ⁵But he was wounded for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his stripes we are healed. ⁶All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all. ⁷He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he opened not his mouth. ⁸By oppression and judgment he was taken away; and as for his generation, who considered that he was cut off out of the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people? ⁹And they made his grave with the wicked and with a rich man in his death, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth. ¹⁰Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him; he has put him to grief; when his soul makes an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring; he shall prolong his days; the will of the LORD shall prosper in his hand. ¹¹Out of the anguish of his soul he shall see and be satisfied; by his knowledge shall the righteous one, my servant, make many to be accounted righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. ¹²Therefore I will divide him a portion with the many, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong, because he poured out his soul to death and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and makes intercession for the transgressors.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

- ▶ Let us pray. Merciful and everlasting God, You did not spare Your only Son but delivered Him up for us all to bear our sins on the cross. Grant that our hearts may be so fixed with steadfast faith in Him that we fear not the power of sin, death, and the devil; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.

+ The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ +

HYMN OF PREPARATION 440 Jesus, I Will Ponder Now



▶ The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. John.

The Betrayal and Arrest of Jesus

¹When Jesus had spoken these words, he went out with his disciples across the Kidron Valley, where there was a garden, which he and his disciples entered. ²Now Judas, who betrayed him, also knew the place, for Jesus often met there with his disciples. ³So Judas, having procured a band of soldiers and some officers from the chief priests and the Pharisees, went there with lanterns and torches and weapons. ⁴Then Jesus, knowing all that would happen to him, came forward and said to them, "Whom do you seek?" ⁵They answered him, "Jesus of Nazareth." Jesus said to them, "I am he." Judas, who betrayed him, was standing with them. ⁶When Jesus said to them, "I am he," they drew back and fell to the ground. ⁷So he asked them again, "Whom do you seek?" And they said, "Jesus of Nazareth." ⁸Jesus answered, "I told you that I am he. So, if you seek me, let these men go." ⁹This was to fulfill the word that he had spoken: "Of those whom you gave me I have lost not one." ¹⁰Then Simon Peter, having a sword, drew it and struck the high priest's servant and cut off his right ear. (The servant's name was Malchus.) ¹¹So Jesus said to Peter, "Put your sword into its sheath; shall I not drink the cup that the Father has given me?"

plain - ing forth. The 1 А Lamb goes un com 2 This Lamb is Christ, soul's great friend, The the guilt of And. sin ing lad - en with the ners bear -Lamb of God. our Sav _ ior, Whom God the Fa - ther sins of earth, None else the bur den shar - ing: Goes chose to send То gain for us His fa vor. "Go on, grows weak and pa - tient faint, То slaugh - ter led with -Son," "And free chil - dren forth, My the Fa - ther said, My com-plaint, That spot-less life to of fer, He bears the out from their dread Of guilt and con-dem - na tion. The wrath and stripes, the wounds. the lies. The mock - er - y, and stripes are hard bear, Your pas - sion to But by yet "All fer." re - plies, this Ι glad ly suf _ they will share The fruit of Your sal - va tion."

438 A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth

Jesus Before the High Priest and the Denial of Peter

¹²So the band of soldiers and their captain and the officers of the Jews arrested Jesus and bound him. ¹³First they led him to Annas, for he was the father-in-law of Caiaphas, who was high priest that year. ¹⁴It was Caiaphas who had advised the Jews that it would be expedient that one man should die for the people.

¹⁵Simon Peter followed Jesus, and so did another disciple. Since that disciple was known to the high priest, he entered with Jesus into the court of the high priest, ¹⁶but Peter stood outside at the door. So the other disciple, who was known to the high priest, went out and spoke to the servant girl who kept watch at the door, and brought Peter in. ¹⁷The servant girl at the door said to Peter, "You also are not one of this man's disciples, are you?" He said, "I am not." ¹⁸Now the servants and officers had made a charcoal fire, because it was cold, and they were standing and warming themselves. Peter also was with them, standing and warming himself.

¹⁹The high priest then questioned Jesus about his disciples and his teaching. ²⁰Jesus answered him, "I have spoken openly to the world. I have always taught in synagogues and in the temple, where all Jews come together. I have said nothing in secret. ²¹Why do you ask me? Ask those who have heard me what I said to them; they know what I said." ²²When he had said these things, one of the officers standing by struck Jesus with his hand, saying, "Is that how you answer the high priest?" ²³Jesus answered him, "If what I said is wrong, bear witness about the wrong; but if what I said is right, why do you strike me?" ²⁴Annas then sent him bound to Caiaphas the high priest.

²⁵Now Simon Peter was standing and warming himself. So they said to him, "You also are not one of his disciples, are you?" He denied it and said, "I am not." ²⁶One of the servants of the high priest, a relative of the man whose ear Peter had cut off, asked, "Did I not see you in the garden with him?" ²⁷Peter again denied it, and at once a rooster crowed.



439 O Dearest Jesus, What Law Hast Thou Broken

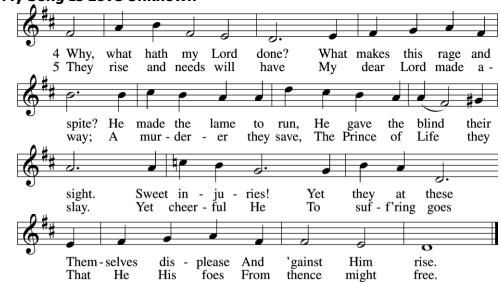
Jesus Before Pilate

²⁸Then they led Jesus from the house of Caiaphas to the governor's headquarters. It was early morning. They themselves did not enter the governor's headquarters, so that they would not be defiled, but could eat the Passover. ²⁹So Pilate went outside to them and said, "What accusation do you bring against this man?" ³⁰They answered him, "If this man were not doing evil, we would not have delivered him over to you." ³¹Pilate said to them, "Take him yourselves and judge him by your own law." The Jews said to him, "It is not lawful for us to put anyone to

death." ³²This was to fulfill the word that Jesus had spoken to show by what kind of death he was going to die.

³³So Pilate entered his headquarters again and called Jesus and said to him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" ³⁴Jesus answered, "Do you say this of your own accord, or did others say it to you about me?" ³⁵Pilate answered, "Am I a Jew? Your own nation and the chief priests have delivered you over to me. What have you done?" ³⁶Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not of this world. If my kingdom were of this world, my servants would have been fighting, that I might not be delivered over to the Jews. But my kingdom is not from the world." ³⁷Then Pilate said to him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this purpose I was born and for this purpose I have come into the world—to bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth listens to my voice." ³⁸Pilate said to him, "What is truth?"

After he had said this, he went back outside to the Jews and told them, "I find no guilt in him. ³⁹But you have a custom that I should release one man for you at the Passover. So do you want me to release to you the King of the Jews?" ⁴⁰They cried out again, "Not this man, but Barabbas!" Now Barabbas was a robber.



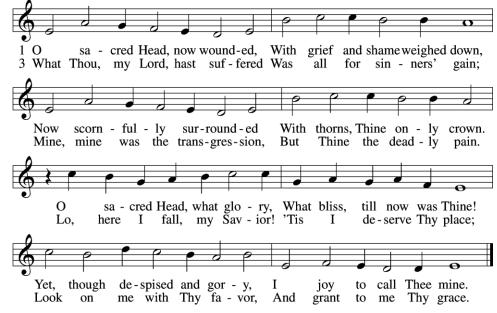


Jesus Prepared for Crucifixion

¹Then Pilate took Jesus and flogged him. ²And the soldiers twisted together a crown of thorns and put it on his head and arrayed him in a purple robe. ³They came up to him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!" and struck him with their hands. ⁴Pilate went out again and said to them, "See, I am bringing him out to you that you may know that I find no guilt in him." ⁵So Jesus came out, wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe. Pilate said to them, "Behold the man!" ⁶When the chief priests and the officers saw him, they cried out, "Crucify him, crucify him!" Pilate said to them, "Take him yourselves and crucify him, for I find no guilt in him." ⁷The Jews answered him, "We have a law, and according to that law he ought to die because he has made himself the Son of God." ⁸When Pilate heard this statement, he was even more afraid. ⁹He entered his headquarters again and said to Jesus, "Where are you from?" But

Jesus gave him no answer. ¹⁰So Pilate said to him, "You will not speak to me? Do you not know that I have authority to release you and authority to crucify you?" ¹¹Jesus answered him, "You would have no authority over me at all unless it had been given you from above. Therefore he who delivered me over to you has the greater sin."

¹²From then on Pilate sought to release him, but the Jews cried out, "If you release this man, you are not Caesar's friend. Everyone who makes himself a king opposes Caesar." ¹³So when Pilate heard these words, he brought Jesus out and sat down on the judgment seat at a place called The Stone Pavement, and in Aramaic Gabbatha. ¹⁴Now it was the day of Preparation of the Passover. It was about the sixth hour. He said to the Jews, "Behold your King!" ¹⁵They cried out, "Away with him, away with him, crucify him!" Pilate said to them, "Shall I crucify your King?" The chief priests answered, "We have no king but Caesar." ¹⁶So he delivered him over to them to be crucified. So they took Jesus,



450 O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

Stand

The Crucifixion of Jesus

¹⁶So he delivered him over to them to be crucified. So they took Jesus, ¹⁷and he went out, bearing his own cross, to the place called the place of a skull, which in Aramaic is called Golgotha. ¹⁸There they crucified him, and with him two others, one on either side, and Jesus between them. ¹⁹Pilate also wrote an inscription and put it on the cross. It read, "Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews." ²⁰Many of the Jews read this inscription, for the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city, and it was written in Aramaic, in Latin, and in Greek. ²¹So the chief priests of the Jews said to Pilate, "Do not write, 'The King of the Jews,' but rather, 'This man said, I am King of the Jews.'" ²²Pilate answered, "What I have written I have written."

²³When the soldiers had crucified Jesus, they took his garments and divided them into four parts, one part for each soldier; also his tunic. But the tunic was seamless, woven in one piece from top to bottom, ²⁴so they said to one another, "Let us not tear it, but cast lots for it to see whose it shall be." This was to fulfill the Scripture which says, "They divided my garments among them, and for my clothing they cast lots." So the soldiers did these things,

451 Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted

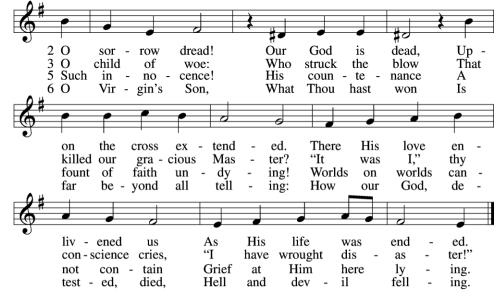


Jesus' Mother and His Death

²⁵but standing by the cross of Jesus were his mother and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. ²⁶When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to his mother, "Woman, behold, your son!" ²⁷Then he said to the disciple, "Behold, your mother!" And from that hour the disciple took her to his own home.

²⁸After this, Jesus, knowing that all was now finished, said (to fulfill the Scripture), "I thirst." ²⁹A jar full of sour wine stood there, so they put a sponge full of the sour wine on a hyssop branch and held it to his mouth. ³⁰When Jesus had received the sour wine, he said, "It is finished," *silence* and he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

448 O Darkest Woe



Jesus' Side is Pierced

³¹Since it was the day of Preparation, and so that the bodies would not remain on the cross on the Sabbath (for that Sabbath was a high day), the Jews asked Pilate that their legs might be broken and that they might be taken away. ³²So the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first, and of the other who had been crucified with him. ³³But when they came to Jesus and saw that he was already dead, they did not break his legs. ³⁴But one of the soldiers pierced his side with a spear, and at once there came out blood and water. ³⁵He who saw it has borne witness—his testimony is true, and he knows that he is telling the truth—that you also may believe. ³⁶For these things took place that the Scripture might be fulfilled: "Not one of his bones will be broken." ³⁷And again another Scripture says, "They will look on him whom they have pierced."

³⁸After these things Joseph of Arimathea, who was a disciple of Jesus, but secretly for fear of the Jews, asked Pilate that he might take away the body of Jesus, and Pilate gave him permission. So he came and took away his body. ³⁹Nicodemus also, who earlier had come to Jesus by night, came bringing a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about seventy-five pounds in weight. ⁴⁰So they took the body of Jesus and bound it in linen cloths with the spices, as is the burial custom of the Jews. ⁴¹Now in the place where he was crucified there was a garden, and in the garden a new tomb in which no one had yet been laid. ⁴²So because of the Jewish day of Preparation, since the tomb was close at hand, they laid Jesus there.

SERMON

Stand

BIDDING PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

Each petition,

- Let us pray for... (then silence for reflection) Almighty God... through Jesus Christ our Lord,
- **G** Amen.

After the last petition, P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray, Our Father...

Sit

THE PIERCING OF CHRIST five strikes for His side, hands, feet

REMOVAL OF THE CENTER CANDLE symbol of Christ death, the Light of the world

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VERSE

Romans 4

P Christ was delivered for our offenses, and was raised again for our justification.

RESTORATION OF THE CENTER CANDLE symbol of the resurrection of Christ

CLOSING OF THE BOOK symbolic in the fulfillment of Jesus' words, "It is finished"

FUNERAL TOLL All leave the church in silence

Easter Vigil Service7:00 pmEaster Services7:00 am & 10:00 am

A free, full breakfast provided between Services, 8:00 - 9:50 am