

To prepare ourselves for the Passion of Jesus (Good Friday) and the celebration of the Resurrection (Easter), the Church has historically set aside a 40 day period of preparation known as Lent. To aid in our Lenten preparations, truly a time of repentance and reflection, you are invited to hear readings from *Johann Gerhard's, An Explanation of the History of the Suffering and Death of our Lord Jesus according to the Four Evangelists*. Each day's reading will begin at 12:00 noon and be read from the Chancel lasting approximately one hour. The following is the outline and schedule of the readings:

*An Explanation of the History of
the Suffering and Death of our Lord
Jesus Christ according to the Four
Evangelists*

*Presented so that we may be awakened in the
knowledge of the love of Christ and may
blessedly grow according to the inner man.*

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Readings Tuesday & Thursday at 12:00 noon in the Chancel
February

Forward to the Christian Reader & On the Suffering of
Christ in General (Parts 1 & 2) – Monday 12th
On the Suffering of Christ in General (Parts 3 & 4) & How
Christ was anointed in the home of Simon – Tuesday 13th

THE FIRST ACT: The history of the matters which took place in the garden of the Mount of Olives.

The First Sermon & the Second Sermon – Thursday 15th
The Third Sermon and the Fourth Sermon – Tuesday 20th

THE SECOND ACT: Comprising the history of the matters which have to do with Jesus before the ecclesiastical council in the house of The high priest Caiphaz

The First Sermon & the Second Sermon – Thursday 22nd
The Third Sermon - Tuesday 27th

THE THIRD ACT: Which encompasses the history of the affairs that have to do with Christ before Governor Pilate in the judgment hall

The First Sermon & the Second Sermon – Thursday 29th
March

The Third Sermon and the Fourth Sermon - Tuesday 5th
The Fifth Sermon and the Sixth Sermon – Thursday 7th
The Seventh Sermon – Tuesday 12th

THE FOURTH ACT: Encompassing the history of the Crucifixion of Christ.

The First Sermon – Tuesday 12th
The Second Sermon and the Third Sermon – Thursday 4th
The Fourth Sermon and the Fifth Sermon – Tuesday 19th
The Sixth Sermon and the Seventh Sermon – Thursday 21st

THE FIFTH AND FINAL ACT: Containing within it the history of the burial of Christ. Tuesday 26th