



Good Friday Service

Friday, April 3rd, 2026

1:00pm

Please enter in silence

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hymn: ELW #338 –

Beneath the Cross of Jesus (vs 1 & 2)



RESPONSIVE READING: Isaiah 53

P: Who has believed what we have heard? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?

C: 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.

P: 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.

C: Surely, he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted.

P: 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.

C: 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.

P: 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.

C: 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.

P: 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.

C: 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.

P: 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.

C: 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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

C: Lord Jesus, you carried our sins in your own body on the tree so that we might have life. May we and all who remember this day find new life in you now and in the world to come, where you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen

HYMN ELW #353 – Were You There (vs 1 & 2)

First word: Luke 23:32-34

Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, **“Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.”** And they cast lots to divide his clothing.

Silence and Reflection

HYMN ELW #609 - Chief of Sinners Though I Be, (vs 1 & 2)

Second word: Luke 23:39-43

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, “Are you not the messiah? Save yourself and us!” But the other rebuked him, saying, “Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong,” Then he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.” He replied, **“Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.”**

Silence and Reflection

HYMN ELW #337 – Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed (vs 1 & 2)

Third word: John 19:25b-27

Meanwhile, standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, "**Woman, here is your son.**" Then he said to the disciple, "**Here is your mother.**" And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

Silence and Reflection

Hymn – ELW #359 - Where Charity and Love Prevail (vs 1)

Fourth word: Matthew 27:46

At about three o'clock Jesus cried with a loud voice, "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?" that is, "**My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?**"

Silence and Reflection

Hymn – ELW #666 - What Wondrous Love Is This (vs 1)

Fifth word: John 19:28-29

After this, when Jesus knew that all was now finished, he said (in order to fulfill the scripture), "**I am thirsty.**" A jar full of sour wine was standing there. So, they put a sponge full of the wine on a branch of hyssop and held it to his mouth.

Silence and Reflection

Hymn – ELW #351 - O Sacred Head, Now Wounded (vs 1 & 2)

Sixth word: John 19:30a

When Jesus had received the wine, he said, "**It is finished.**"

Silence and Reflection

Hymn – ELW #336 - Lamb of God (vs 1 & 2)

Offering

Hymn – ELW #357 - Lamb of God, Pure and Sinless (vs 1)

Seventh word: Luke 23:44-47

It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. While the sun's light failed; and the curtain of the temple was torn in two. Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said, "**Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.**" Having said this, he breathed his last. When the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God and said, "Certainly this man was innocent."

Silence and Reflection

Hymn – ELW #490 - Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence (vs 1)

Matthew 17:57-60

When it was evening, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who was also a disciple of Jesus. He went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus; then Pilate ordered it to be given to him. So, Joseph took the body and wrapped it in a clean linen cloth and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had hewn in the rock. He then rolled a great stone to the door of the tomb and went away.

Hymn – ELW #353 - Were You There (vs 3)

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