



GOOD FRIDAY

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7:00 PM

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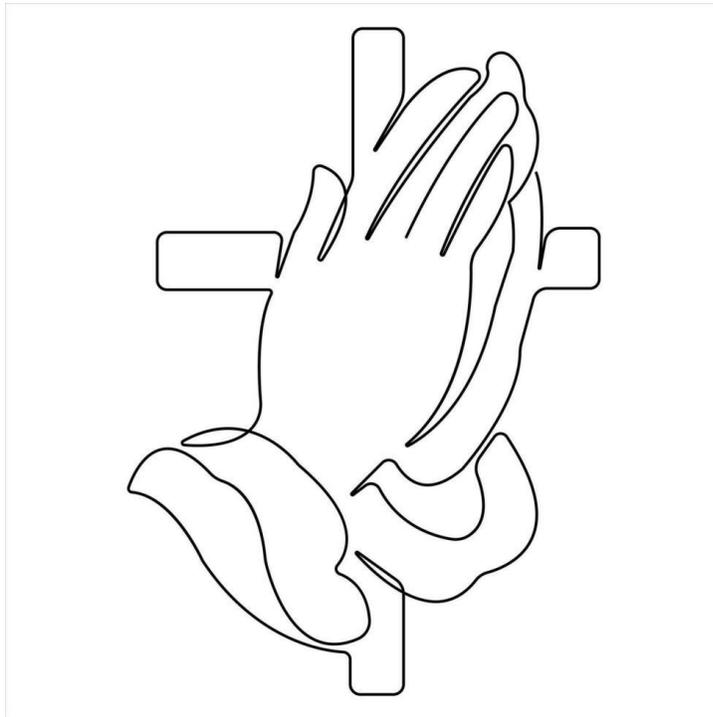
All gather in silence for our worship this evening. Our service tonight is a continuation of our Maundy Thursday worship.

Please stand as you are able.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Asst: Let us pray. Merciful God, your Son was lifted up on the cross to draw all people to himself. Grant that we who have been born out of his wounded side may at all times, find mercy in him, Jesus Christ, Our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

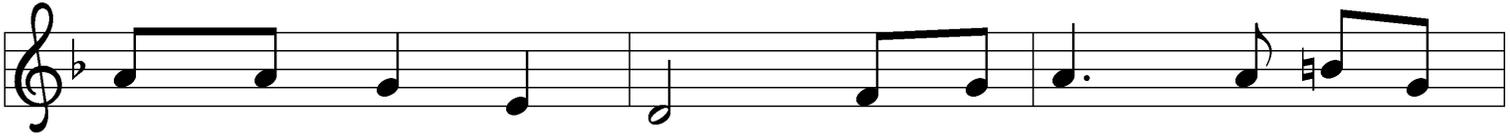
All: **Amen.**



HYMN: "TREE OF LIFE AND AWESOME MYSTERY" (ELW 334) VS. 1-3 & GENERAL



1 Tree of Life and awe - some mys - t'ry, in your
2 We re - mem - ber truth once spo - ken, love passed
3 Christ, you lead and we shall fol - low,stum - bling



death we are re - born; though you die in all of
on through act and word; ev - 'ry per - son lost and
though our steps may be; one with you in joy and



his - t'ry, still you rise with ev - 'ry morn, still you
bro - ken wears the bod - y of our Lord, wears the
sor - row, we the riv - er, you the sea, we the



rise with ev - 'ry morn.
bod - y of our Lord.
riv - er, you the sea.

General

Light of life beyond conceiving,
mighty Spirit of our Lord;
give new strength to our believing,
give us faith to live your word

The assembly may be seated.

FIRST READING: ISAIAH 52:13-53:12

The fourth servant poem promises ultimate vindication for the servant, who made his life an offering for sin. The servant pours himself out to death and is numbered with the transgressors, images that the early church saw as important keys for understanding the death of Jesus.

¹³ See, my servant shall prosper;

he shall be exalted and lifted up,
and shall be very high.

¹⁴ 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—

¹⁵ 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.

^{53:1} Who has believed what we have heard?

And to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?

² 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.

³ 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.

⁴ Surely he has borne our infirmities

and carried our diseases;

yet we accounted him stricken,

struck down by God, and afflicted.

⁵ 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.

⁶ 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.

⁷ 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.

⁸ 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.

⁹ 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.

¹⁰ 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.

¹¹ 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.

¹² 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.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: PSALM 22

¹ My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?
Why so far from saving me, so far from the words of my groaning?

² **My God, I cry out by day, but you do not answer;
by night, but I find no rest.**

- ³ Yet you are the Holy One,
enthroned on the praises of Israel.
- ⁴ **Our ancestors put their trust in you,
they trusted, and you rescued them.**
- ⁵ They cried out to you and were delivered;
they trusted in you and were not put to shame.
- ⁶ **But as for me, I am a worm and not human,
scorned by all and despised by the people.**
- ⁷ All who see me laugh me to scorn;
they curl their lips; they shake their heads.
- ⁸ **“Trust in the Lord; let the Lord deliver;
let God rescue him if God so delights in him.”**
- ⁹ Yet you are the one who drew me forth from the womb,
and kept me safe on my mother’s breast.
- ¹⁰ **I have been entrusted to you ever since I was born;
you were my God when I was still in my mother’s womb.**
- ¹¹ Be not far from me, for trouble is near,
and there is no one to help.
- ¹² **Many young bulls encircle me;
strong bulls of Bashan surround me.**
- ¹³ They open wide their jaws at me,
like a slashing and roaring lion.
- ¹⁴ **I am poured out like water; all my bones are out of joint;
my heart within my breast is melting wax.**
- ¹⁵ My strength is dried up like a potsherd; my tongue sticks to the roof of my
mouth; and you have laid me in the dust of death.
- ¹⁶ **Packs of dogs close me in, a band of evildoers circles round me;
they pierce my hands and my feet.**
- ¹⁷ I can count all my bones
while they stare at me and gloat.
- ¹⁸ **They divide my garments among them;
for my clothing, they cast lots.**
- ¹⁹ But you, O Lord, be not far away;
O my help, hasten to my aid.
- ²⁰ **Deliver me from the sword,
my life from the power of the dog.**
- ²¹ Save me from the lion’s mouth!

- From the horns of wild bulls you have rescued me.
- 22 I will declare your name to my people;
in the midst of the assembly I will praise you.**
- 23** You who fear the Lord, give praise! All you of Jacob's line, give glory.
Stand in awe of the Lord, all you offspring of Israel.
- 24 For the Lord does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty; neither is
the Lord's face hidden from them;
but when they cry out, the Lord hears them.**
- 25** From you comes my praise in the great assembly;
I will perform my vows in the sight of those who fear the Lord.
- 26 The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
Let those who seek the Lord give praise! May your hearts live forever!**
- 27** All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord;
all the families of nations shall bow before God.
- 28 For dominion belongs to the Lord,
who rules over the nations.**
- 29** Indeed, all who sleep in the earth shall bow down in worship;
all who go down to the dust, though they be dead, shall kneel before the Lord.
- 30 Their descendants shall serve the Lord,
whom they shall proclaim to generations to come.**
- 31** They shall proclaim God's deliverance to a people yet unborn,
saying to them, "The Lord has acted!"

SECOND READING: HEBREWS 10:16-25

*In the death of Jesus, forgiveness of sins is accomplished and access to God is established.
Hence, when we gather together for worship and when we love others, we experience anew
the benefits of Jesus' death.*

[After the Holy Spirit says,] ¹⁶ "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,"

¹⁷ he also adds,

"I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more."

¹⁸ Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.

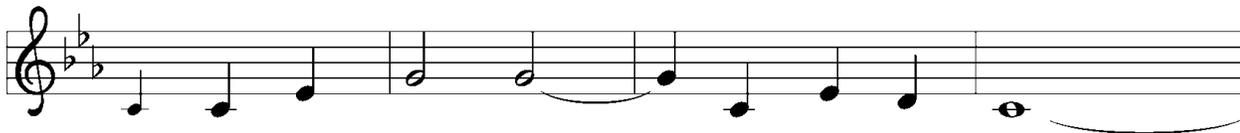
¹⁹ Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰ by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), ²¹ and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²² let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. ²³ Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. ²⁴ And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, ²⁵ 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.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: I want Jesus to Walk with Me (WOV 660) verse 1 only



1 I want Je - sus to walk with me;
 2 In my tri - als, Lord, walk with me;
 3 When I'm in trou - ble, Lord, walk with me;



I want Je - sus to walk with me;
 in my tri - als, Lord, walk with me;
 when I'm in trou - ble, Lord, walk with me;



all a - long my pil - grim jour - ney,
 when my heart is al - most break - ing,
 when my head is bowed in sor - row,



Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.
 Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.
 Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.

GOSPEL: John 18:1–19:42

Reader: The passion of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to St. John.

All: **Glory to you, O God.**

The assembly may be seated.

Part 1: John 18:1-24

¹ After Jesus had spoken these words, he went out with his disciples across the Kidron Valley to a place where there was a garden, which he and his disciples entered. ² Now Judas, who betrayed him, also knew the place because Jesus often met there with his disciples. ³ So Judas brought a detachment of soldiers together with police from the chief priests and the Pharisees, and they came there with lanterns and torches and weapons. ⁴ Then Jesus, knowing all that was to happen to him, came forward and asked them, “Whom are you looking for?” ⁵ They answered, “Jesus of Nazareth.” Jesus replied, “I am he.” Judas, who betrayed him, was standing with them. ⁶ When Jesus said to them, “I am he,” they stepped back and fell to the ground. ⁷ Again he asked them, “Whom are you looking for?” And they said, “Jesus of Nazareth.” ⁸ Jesus answered, “I told you that I am he. So if you are looking for me, let these people go.” ⁹ This was to fulfill the word that he had spoken, “I did not lose a single one of those whom you gave me.” ¹⁰ Then Simon Peter, who had a sword, drew it, struck the high priest’s slave, and cut off his right ear. The slave’s name was Malchus. ¹¹ Jesus said to Peter, “Put your sword back into its sheath. Am I not to drink the cup that the Father has given me?”

¹² So the soldiers, their officer, and the Jewish police arrested Jesus and bound him. ¹³ First they took him to Annas, who was the father-in-law of Caiaphas, the high priest that year. ¹⁴ Caiaphas was the one who had advised the Jews that it was better to have one person die for the people.

¹⁵ Simon Peter and another disciple followed Jesus. Since that disciple was known to the high priest, he went with Jesus into the courtyard of the high priest, ¹⁶ but Peter was standing outside at the gate. So the other disciple, who was known to the high priest, went out, spoke to the woman who guarded the gate, and brought Peter in. ¹⁷ The woman said to Peter, “You are not also one of this man’s disciples, are you?” He said, “I am not.” ¹⁸ Now the slaves and the police had made a charcoal fire because it was cold, and they were standing around it and warming themselves. Peter also was standing with them and warming himself.

¹⁹ Then the high priest questioned Jesus about his disciples and about his teaching. ²⁰ Jesus answered, “I have spoken openly to the world; I have always taught in synagogues and in the temple, where all the Jews come together. I have said nothing in secret. ²¹ Why do you ask me? Ask those who heard what I said to them; they know what I said.”

²² When he had said this, one of the police standing nearby struck Jesus on the face, saying, "Is that how you answer the high priest?"

²³ Jesus answered, "If I have spoken wrongly, testify to the wrong. But if I have spoken rightly, why do you strike me?" ²⁴ Then Annas sent him bound to Caiaphas the high priest.

HYMN: "All Who Pass This Way"



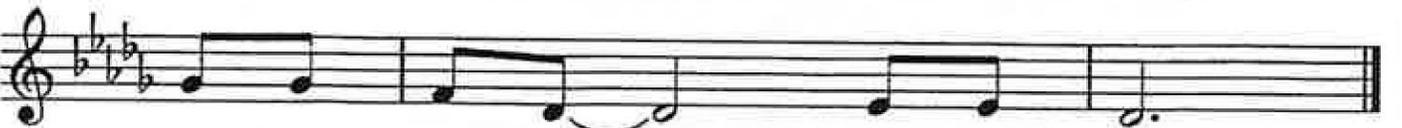
1. *All who pass this way, look and see;*
2. *All who pass this way, look and see;*
3. *All who pass this way, look and see;*



All who pass this way, look and see;
All who pass this way, look and see;
All who pass this way, look and see;



See the Lord of Life, see him now;
See the Lord of Life, see him now;
See the Lord of Life, see him now;



See his sor - row; Kum ba yah.
See his suf - f'ring; Kum ba yah.
See him dy - ing; Kum ba yah.

Part 2: John 18:25-19:16a

²⁵ Meanwhile, Simon Peter was still standing there warming himself. So they asked him, “You aren’t one of his disciples too, are you?” He denied it, saying, “I am not.”

²⁶ One of the high priest’s servants, a relative of the man whose ear Peter had cut off, challenged him, “Didn’t I see you with him in the garden?” ²⁷ Again Peter denied it, and at that moment a rooster began to crow.

²⁸ Then the Jewish leaders took Jesus from Caiaphas to the palace of the Roman governor. By now it was early morning, and to avoid ceremonial uncleanness they did not enter the palace, because they wanted to be able to eat the Passover. ²⁹ So Pilate came out to them and asked, “What charges are you bringing against this man?”

³⁰ “If he were not a criminal,” they replied, “we would not have handed him over to you.”

³¹ Pilate said, “Take him yourselves and judge him by your own law.”

“But we have no right to execute anyone,” they objected. ³² This took place to fulfill what Jesus had said about the kind of death he was going to die.

³³ Pilate then went back inside the palace, summoned Jesus and asked him, “Are you the king of the Jews?”

³⁴ “Is that your own idea,” Jesus asked, “or did others talk to you about me?”

³⁵ “Am I a Jew?” Pilate replied. “Your own people and chief priests handed you over to me. What is it you have done?”

³⁶ Jesus said, “My kingdom is not of this world. If it were, my servants would fight to prevent my arrest by the Jewish leaders. But now my kingdom is from another place.”

³⁷ “You are a king, then!” said Pilate.

Jesus answered, “You say that I am a king. In fact, the reason I was born and came into the world is to testify to the truth. Everyone on the side of truth listens to me.”

³⁸ “What is truth?” retorted Pilate. With this he went out again to the Jews gathered there and said, “I find no basis for a charge against him. ³⁹ But it is your custom for me to release to you one prisoner at the time of the Passover. Do you want me to release ‘the king of the Jews’?”

⁴⁰ They shouted back, “No, not him! Give us Barabbas!” Now Barabbas had taken part in an uprising.

19 Then Pilate took Jesus and had him flogged. ² The soldiers twisted together a crown of thorns and put it on his head. They clothed him in a purple robe ³ and went up to him again and again, saying, “Hail, king of the Jews!” And they slapped him in the face.

⁴ Once more Pilate came out and said to the Jews gathered there, “Look, I am bringing him out to you to let you know that I find no basis for a charge against him.” ⁵ When Jesus came out wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe, Pilate said to them, “Here is the man!”

⁶ As soon as the chief priests and their officials saw him, they shouted, “Crucify! Crucify!”

But Pilate answered, “You take him and crucify him. As for me, I find no basis for a charge against him.”

⁷ The Jewish leaders insisted, “We have a law, and according to that law he must die, because he claimed to be the Son of God.”

⁸ When Pilate heard this, he was even more afraid, ⁹ and he went back inside the palace. “Where do you come from?” he asked Jesus, but Jesus gave him no answer. ¹⁰ “Do you refuse to speak to me?” Pilate said. “Don’t you realize I have power either to free you or to crucify you?”

¹¹ Jesus answered, “You would have no power over me if it were not given to you from above. Therefore the one who handed me over to you is guilty of a greater sin.”

¹² From then on, Pilate tried to set Jesus free, but the Jewish leaders kept shouting, “If you let this man go, you are no friend of Caesar. Anyone who claims to be a king opposes Caesar.”

¹³ When Pilate heard this, he brought Jesus out and sat down on the judge’s seat at a place known as the Stone Pavement (which in Aramaic is Gabbatha). ¹⁴ It was the day of Preparation of the Passover; it was about noon.

“Here is your king,” Pilate said to the Jews.

¹⁵ But they shouted, “Take him away! Take him away! Crucify him!”

“Shall I crucify your king?” Pilate asked.

“We have no king but Caesar,” the chief priests answered.

¹⁶ Finally Pilate handed him over to them to be crucified.

HYMN: WHAT WONDEROUS LOVE IS THIS (ELW 666)



1 What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What
2 When I was sink - ing down, sink-ing down, sink-ing down, when
3 To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing; to
4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on; and



won - drous love is this, O my soul! What won-drous love is this
I was sink - ing down, sink-ing down, when I was sink - ing down
God and to the Lamb I will sing; to God and to the Lamb,
when from death I'm free, I'll sing on; and when from death I'm free,



that caused the Lord of bliss to bear the dread-ful curse for my
be - neath God's righ-teous frown, Christ laid a - side his crown for my
who is the great I AM, while mil - lions join the theme, I will
I'll sing God's love for me, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing



soul, for my soul, to bear the dread-ful curse for my soul?
soul, for my soul, Christ laid a - side his crown for my soul.
sing, I will sing, while mil - lions join the theme, I will sing.
on, I'll sing on; and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on.

Part 3: John 19:16b-30

So they took Jesus, ¹⁷ and carrying the cross by himself he went out to what is called the Place of the Skull, which in Hebrew is called Golgotha. ¹⁸ There they crucified him and with him two others, one on either side, with Jesus between them. ¹⁹ Pilate also had an inscription written and put on the cross. It read, “Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews.” ²⁰ Many of the Jews read this inscription because the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city, and it was written in Hebrew, in Latin, and in Greek. ²¹ Then the chief priests of the Jews said to Pilate, “Do not write, ‘The King of the Jews,’ but, ‘This man said, I am King of the Jews.’ ” ²² Pilate answered, “What I have written I have written.” ²³ When the soldiers had crucified Jesus, they took his clothes and divided them into four parts, one for each soldier. They also took his tunic; now the tunic was seamless, woven in one piece from the top. ²⁴ So they said to one another, “Let us not tear it but cast lots for it to see who will get it.” This was to fulfill what the scripture says,

“They divided my clothes among themselves,
and for my clothing they cast lots.”

²⁵ And that is what the soldiers did.

Meanwhile, standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother’s sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. ²⁶ When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, “Woman, here is your son.” ²⁷ Then he said to the disciple, “Here is your mother.” And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

²⁸ After this, when Jesus knew that all was now finished, he said (in order to fulfill the scripture), “I am thirsty.” ²⁹ 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. ³⁰ When Jesus had received the wine, he said, “It is finished.” Then he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

CHOIR ANTHEM

“There is a Green Hill Far Away”

arr. Bradley Ellingboe

Part 4: John 19:31-42

³¹ Since it was the day of Preparation, the Jews did not want the bodies left on the cross during the Sabbath, especially because that Sabbath was a day of great solemnity. So they asked Pilate to have the legs of the crucified men broken and the bodies removed. ³² Then the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first and of the other who had been crucified with him. ³³ But when they came to Jesus and saw that he was already dead, they did not break his legs. ³⁴ Instead, one of the soldiers pierced his side with a spear, and at once blood and water came out. ³⁵ (He who saw this has testified so that you also may believe. His testimony is true, and he knows that he tells the truth, so that you also may continue to believe.) ³⁶ These things occurred so that the scripture might be fulfilled, “None of his bones shall be broken.” ³⁷ And again another passage of scripture says, “They will look on the one whom they have pierced.”

³⁸ After these things, Joseph of Arimathea, who was a disciple of Jesus, though a secret one because of his fear of the Jews, asked Pilate to let him take away the body of Jesus. Pilate gave him permission, so he came and removed his body. ³⁹ Nicodemus, who had at first come to Jesus by night, also came, bringing a mixture of myrrh and aloes, weighing about a hundred pounds. ⁴⁰ They took the body of Jesus and wrapped it with the spices in linen cloths, according to the burial custom of the Jews. ⁴¹ Now there was a garden in the place where he was crucified, and in the garden there was a new tomb in which no one had ever been laid. ⁴² And so, because it was the Jewish day of Preparation and the tomb was nearby, they laid Jesus there.

Reader: The gospel of the Lord.

All: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

BIDDING PRAYER

The assembly may remain seated.



O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: when I call, an - swer me.
 or *The Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise: all my hope comes from God.*



O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: come and lis - ten to me.
The Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise: God, the well-spring of life.

Asst: Let us pray for the holy church throughout the world.

Silent prayer.

Pastor: Almighty and eternal God,
 you have shown your glory to all nations in Jesus Christ.
 By your Holy Spirit guide the church
 and gather it throughout the world.
 Help it to persevere in faith, proclaim your name,
 and bring the good news of salvation in Christ to all people.
 We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen.**

Asst: Let us pray for our bishops, for our pastor, for deacons, for lay ministers, music and choir directors, for church administrators and custodians, for all servants of the church, and for all the people of God.

Silent prayer.

Pastor: Almighty and eternal God,
your Spirit guides the church and makes it holy.
Strengthen and uphold our bishops, pastors,
other ministers, and lay leaders.
Keep them in health and safety for the good of the church,
and help each of us in our various vocations
to do faithfully the work to which you have called us.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen.**

Asst: Let us pray for those preparing for baptism.

Silent prayer.

Pastor: Almighty and eternal God, you continue to bless the church.
Increase the faith and understanding of those preparing for baptism.
Give them new birth as your children,
and keep them in the faith and communion of your holy church.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen.**

Asst: Let us pray for our siblings who share our faith in Jesus Christ.

Silent prayer.

Pastor: Almighty and eternal God, you give your church unity.
Look with favor on all who follow Jesus your Son.
Make all the baptized one in the fullness of faith,
and keep us united in the fellowship of love.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen.**

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

Silent prayer.

Pastor: Almighty and eternal God,
long ago you gave your promise to Abraham and your teaching to
Moses. Hear our prayers that the people you called and elected as your
own may receive the fulfillment of the covenant's promises.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen.**

Asst: Let us pray for those who do not share our faith in Jesus Christ.
Silent prayer.

Pastor: Almighty and eternal God, gather into your embrace
all those who call out to you under different names.
Bring an end to inter-religious strife,
and make us more faithful witnesses
of the love made known to us in your Son.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen.**

Asst: Let us pray for those who do not believe in God.
Silent prayer.

Pastor: Almighty and eternal God, you created humanity
so that all may long to know you and find peace in you.
Grant that all may recognize the signs of your love and grace
in the world and in the lives of Christians,
and gladly acknowledge you as the one true God.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen.**

Asst: Let us pray for God's creation.
Silent prayer.

Pastor: Almighty and eternal God,
you are the creator of a magnificent universe.
Hold all the worlds in the arms of your care
and bring all things to fulfillment in you.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen.**

Asst: Let us pray for those who serve in public office.

Silent prayer.

Pastor: Almighty and eternal God,
you are the champion of the poor and oppressed.
In your goodness, give wisdom to those in authority,
so that all people may enjoy justice, peace, freedom,
and a share in the goodness of your creation.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen.**

Asst: Let us pray for those in need.

Silent prayer.

Pastor: Almighty and eternal God,
you give strength to the weary
and new courage to those who have lost heart.
Heal the sick, comfort the dying, give safety to travelers,
free those unjustly deprived of liberty,
and deliver your world from falsehood, hunger, and disease.
Hear the prayers of all who call on you in any trouble,
that they may have the joy of receiving your help in their need.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen.**

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

All: **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kin(g)dom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those
who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from
evil. For the kin(g)dom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and
forever. Amen.**

Repeat Prayer Song.

Silence for meditation

SOLEMN REPROACHES

Pastor: O my people, O my church, what have I done to you?
How have I offended you?

Answer me.

I led you out of slavery into freedom,
and delivered you through the waters of rebirth,
but you have prepared a cross for your Savior.

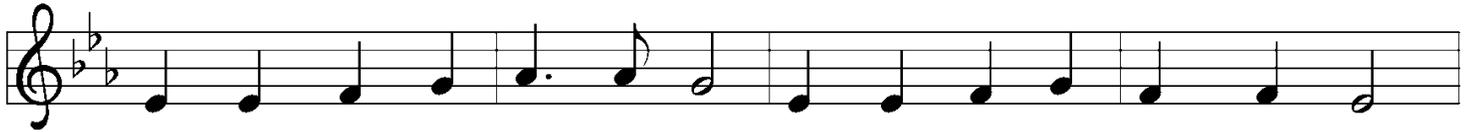
All: **Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal,
have mercy on us.**

Pastor: O my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you?
Answer me.

Forty years I led you through the desert,
feeding you with manna on the way;
I saved you from the time of trial and gave you my body, the bread of
heaven, but you have prepared a cross for your Savior.

All: **Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.**

HYMN: "GO TO DARK GETHSEMANE" (ELW 347) VS. 1



1 Go to dark Geth-sem - a - ne, all who feel the tempt - er's pow'r;
2 Fol - low to the judg-ment hall, view the Lord of life ar - rained;
3 Cal - v'ry's mourn-ful moun-tain climb; there, a - dor - ing at his feet,
4 Ear - ly has - ten to the tomb where they laid his breath - less clay;



your Re - deem - er's con - flict see. Watch with him one bit - ter hour;
oh, the worm-wood and the gall! Oh, the pangs his soul sus-tained!
mark that mir - a - cle of time, God's own sac - ri - fice com-plete.
all is sol - i - tude and gloom. Who has tak - en him a - way?



turn not from his griefs a - way; learn from Je - sus Christ to pray.
Shun not suf - f'ring, shame, or loss; learn from him to bear the cross.
"It is fin - ished!" hear him cry; learn from Je - sus Christ to die.
Christ is ris'n! He meets our eyes. Sav - ior, teach us so to rise.

Pastor: O my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you?
Answer me.

I led you on your way in a pillar of cloud and fire,
but you led me to the judgment hall of Pilate;
I guided you by the light of the Holy Spirit,
but you have prepared a cross for your Savior.

All: **Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.**

Pastor: O my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you?
Answer me.

I poured out saving water from the rock,
but you gave me vinegar to drink;
I poured out my life and gave you the new covenant in my blood,
but you have prepared a cross for your Savior.

All: **Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.**

HYMN: "GO TO DARK GETHSEMANE" (ELW 347) VS. 2

Pastor: O my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you?
Answer me.

I gave you a royal scepter, but you gave me a crown of thorns;
I gave you the kingdom and crowned you with eternal life,
but you have prepared a cross for your Savior.

All: **Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.**

Pastor: O my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you?
Answer me.

I lifted you up to the heights,
but you lifted me high on a cross;
I raised you from death and prepared for you the tree of life,
but you have prepared a cross for your Savior.

All: **Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.**

HYMN: "GO TO DARK GETHSEMANE" (ELW 347) vs 3

Pastor: O my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you?
Answer me.

I came to you in the least of your brothers and sisters,
but I was hungry and you gave me no food,
thirsty and you gave me no drink,
a stranger and you did not welcome me,
naked and you did not clothe me,
sick and in prison and you did not visit me,
and you have prepared a cross for your Savior.

All: **Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.**

HYMN: "GO TO DARK GETHSEMANE" (ELW 347) vs 4

Pastor: Behold the life-giving cross,
on which was hung the Savior of the whole world.
All: **Oh, come, let us worship him.**
Pastor: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.
All: **By your holy cross you have redeemed the world.**

Worshippers may come to the large cross to make a sign of reverence before they depart for the evening. Reverencing the cross may include actions such as pausing before the cross, bowing, kneeling before it for prayer, or touching it.

CHOIR

“Were You There” (ELW 353)

Choral Ensemble

You may depart in silence but know that the story is not over, for we are resurrection people.

Our worship continues on Easter morning.

FAITH VOLUNTEERS

4/18 Good Friday

Usher(s): Randy Royalty

Reader: Elaine Harrison

Lay Assistant: Mike Eschelbach

4/20 Easter

Greeter(s): Ken & Ellen Milne

Usher(s): Mark & Gwynne Kadrofske

Reader: Ryan Thompson

Lay Assistant: Mike Eschelbach

Altar Care: Brenda Kopf

Counter(s): Kathy Mace/Linda Hirt

Acolyte: Abby Steinke

Sunday School: No Class

Coffee Hour: No Coffee Hour



Sunday, April 20

Easter Breakfast Potluck @8:45am

Easter Sunday Worship Service @10am