Our Redeemer Lutheran Church Jackson, Minnesota

Good Friday March 29, 2024

Welcome to this service in which we meditate upon the death of our Lord Jesus Christ. Please give your offering to an usher upon entering or exiting the service. Please sign the attendance card in pew and give it to the usher after the service.

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Opening Verses

- P O Lord, open my lips,
- **C** and my mouth will declare Your praise.
- **P** Make haste, O God, to deliver me;
- make haste to help me, O Lord. Praise to You, O Christ, Lamb of our salvation.

Psalm 41 ESV

- P Blessèd is the one who considers the poor!
- In the day of trouble the LORD delivers him;
- P the LORD protects him and keeps him alive; he is called blessèd in the land:
- **C** You do not give him up to the will of his enemies.
- P The LORD sustains him on his sickbed; in his illness You restore him to full health.
- As for me, I said, "O LORD, be gracious to me; heal me, for I have sinned against You!"
- P My enemies say of me in malice, "When will he die and his name perish?"
- And when one comes to see me, he utters empty words, while his heart gathers iniquity; when he goes out, he tells it abroad.
- P All who hate me whisper together about me; they imagine the worst for me.
- They say, "A deadly thing is poured out on him; he will not rise again from where he lies."
- P Even my close friend in whom I trusted, who ate my bread, has lifted his heel against me.
- **But** You, O LORD, be gracious to me, and raise me up, that I may repay them!
- P By this I know that You delight in me: my enemy will not shout in triumph over me.

© But You have upheld me because of my integrity, and set me in Your presence forever.

Blessèd be the LORD, the God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting! Amen and Amen.

The first candle is extinguished.

Hymn "Jesus, I Will Ponder Now" 440 v. 1

The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ

Reading John 18:1–11

Hymn "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" 450 v. 1

Reading John 18:12–27

Hymn "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" 450 v. 2

The second candle is extinguished.

Reading John 18:28-40

Hymn "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" 450 v. 3

Reading John 19:1-16a

Hymn "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" 450 v. 4

The third candle is extinguished.

Reading John 19:16b–24

Hymn "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" 450 v. 5

Reading John 19:25–30

Hymn "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" 450 v. 6

The fourth candle is extinguished.

Reading John 19:31-42

P O Lord, have mercy on us. C Thanks be to God.

Hymn "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" 450 v. 7

Responsory

P We have an advocate with the Father; Jesus is the propitiation for our sins.

C He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.

P Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven and whose sin is put away.

C He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.

- P We have an advocate with the Father; Jesus is the propitiation for our sins.
- **G** He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.

The fifth candle is extinguished.

Hymn "Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted" 451

Sermon "Be Gracious to Me!" Psalm 41:10

Canticle 934

The sixth candle is extinguished.

Prayers

P Lord, have mercy.

P Christ, have mercy.

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C Lord, have mercy.

C Christ, have mercy.

C Lord, have mercy.

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 unto temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

- P The Lord be with you. C And also with you.
- Let us pray. Almighty God, graciously behold this Your family for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed and delivered into the hands of sinful men to suffer death upon the cross; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.
- P Almighty and everlasting God, You willed that Your Son should bear for us the pains of the cross and so remove from us the power of the adversary. Help us so to remember and give thanks for our Lord's passion that we may receive forgiveness of sin and redemption from everlasting death; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.

Lamb of God, pure and holy, Who on the cross didst suffer,
Ever patient and lowly, Thyself to scorn didst offer.
All sins Thou borest for us, Else had despair reigned o'er us:
Have mercy on us, O Jesus! O Jesus!

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Lamb of God, pure and holy, Who on the cross didst suffer,
Ever patient and lowly, Thyself to scorn didst offer.
All sins Thou borest for us, Else had despair reigned o'er us:
Thy peace be with us, O Jesus! O Jesus!

The final candle is extinguished.

A large book is slammed shut to signify the closing of the tomb. The cross light is lit to point us to the resurrection.

Minimal light is restored. All leave the church in silence.

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We gather here for Easter Vigil Service looking toward our Lord's resurrection on Saturday, March 30 at 5:30 PM.

We celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord Sunday morning, March 31 at 6:30 AM and 9:00 AM. Easter breakfast will be served at 7:30 AM.