

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.



Opening Verses

- P** O Lord, open my lips,
C and my mouth will declare Your praise.
P Make haste, O God, to deliver me;
C 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!
C 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.
C 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?"
C 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.
C 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.
C 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.

C 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



I Je - sus, I will pon - der now On Your ho - ly pas - sion;
With Your Spir - it me en - dow For such med - i - ta - tion.
Grant that I in love and faith May the im - age cher - ish
Of Your suf - f'ring, pain, and death That I may not per - ish.

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The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ

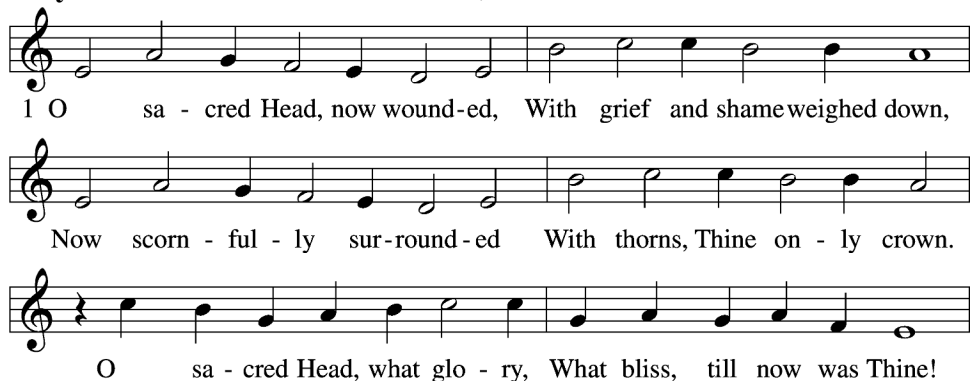
Reading

John 18:1–11

Hymn

“O Sacred Head, Now Wounded”

450 v. 1



I O sa - cred Head, now wound-ed, With grief and shameweighed down,
Now scorn - ful - ly sur-round-ed With thorns, Thine on - ly crown.
O sa - cred Head, what glo - ry, What bliss, till now was Thine!



Yet, though de-spised and gor - y, I joy to call Thee mine.

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Reading **John 18:12–27**

Hymn “O Sacred Head, Now Wounded” **450 v. 2**

How pale Thou art with anguish, With sore abuse and scorn!
How doth Thy face now languish That once was bright as morn!
Grim death, with cruel rigor, Hath robbed Thee of Thy life;
Thus Thou hast lost Thy vigor, Thy strength, in this sad strife.

The second candle is extinguished.

Reading **John 18:28–40**

Hymn “O Sacred Head, Now Wounded” **450 v. 3**

What Thou, my Lord, hast suffered Was all for sinners’ gain;
Mine, mine was the transgression, But Thine the deadly pain.
Lo, here I fall, my Savior! ’Tis I deserve Thy place;
Look on me with Thy favor, And grant to me Thy grace.

Reading **John 19:1–16a**

Hymn “O Sacred Head, Now Wounded” **450 v. 4**

My Shepherd, now receive me; My Guardian, own me Thine.
Great blessings Thou didst give me, O Source of gifts divine.
Thy lips have often fed me With words of truth and love;
Thy Spirit oft hath led me To heav’nly joys above.

The third candle is extinguished.

Reading **John 19:16b–24**

Hymn “O Sacred Head, Now Wounded” **450 v. 5**

What language shall I borrow To thank Thee, dearest Friend,
For this Thy dying sorrow, Thy pity without end?
O make me Thine forever! And should I fainting be,
Lord, let me never, never, Outlive my love for Thee.

Reading **John 19:25–30**

Hymn “O Sacred Head, Now Wounded” **450 v. 6**

My Savior, be Thou near me When death is at my door;
Then let Thy presence cheer me, Forsake me nevermore!
When soul and body languish, O leave me not alone,
But take away mine anguish By virtue of Thine own!

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

**Be Thou my consolation, My shield, when I must die;
Remind me of Thy passion When my last hour draws nigh.
Mine eyes shall then behold Thee, Upon Thy cross shall dwell,
My heart by faith enfold Thee. Who dieth thus dies well.**

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.

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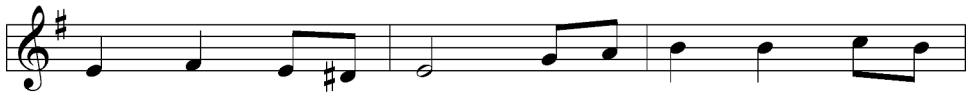
The fifth candle is extinguished.



1 Strick-en, smit-ten, and af - flict - ed, See Him dy - ing on the
 2 Tell me, ye who hear Him groan-ing, Was there ev - er grief like
 3 Ye who think of sin but light - ly Nor sup - pose the e - vil
 4 Here we have a firm foun - da - tion, Here the ref - uge of the



tree! 'Tis the Christ, by man re - ject - ed; Yes, my
 His? Friends through fear His cause dis - own - ing, Foes in -
 great Here may view its na - ture right - ly, Here its
 lost: Christ, the Rock of our sal - va - tion, Is the



soul, 'tis He, 'tis He! 'Tis the long - ex - pect - ed
 sult - ing His dis - tress; Man - y hands were raised to
 guilt may es - ti - mate. Mark the sac - ri - fice ap -
 name of which we boast; Lamb of God, for sin - ners



Proph - et, Da - vid's Son, yet Da-vid's Lord; Proofs I
 wound Him, None would in - ter - vene to save; But the
 point - ed, See who bears the aw - ful load; 'Tis the
 wound - ed, Sac - ri - fice to can - cel guilt! None shall



see suf - fi - cient of it: 'Tis the true and faith - ful Word.
 deep - est stroke that pierced Him Was the stroke that jus - tice gave.
 Word, the Lord's a - noint - ed, Son of Man and Son of God.
 ev - er be con - found - ed Who on Him their hope have built.

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Sermon

“Be Gracious to Me!”

Psalms 41:10



1 My soul now mag - ni - fies the Lord; My spir - it
 2 For He a - lone who shows such might Has done a -
 3 His arm is strong; His strength is great. He scat - ters
 4 He feeds the hun - gry as His own; The wealth - y



leaps for joy in Him. He keeps me in His kind re -
 maz - ing things to me. His mer - cy flows; His name like
 those of proud in - tent And casts them down from high es -
 leave with emp - ty hands. He gives His help to Is - ra -



gard, And I am blest for time to come.
 light Re - mains in time per - pet - ual - ly.
 tate, Then gives the low His nour - ish - ment.
 el; His gra - cious prom - ise al - ways stands.

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The sixth candle is extinguished.

Prayers

P Lord, have mercy.

C Lord, have mercy.

P Christ, have mercy.

C Christ, have mercy.

P Lord, 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.

P 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.

Hymn "Lamb of God, Pure and Holy" **434**

**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.