

Good Friday

The Second Day of the Ancient Triduum

April 7, 2023, 7 PM

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**THE GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE OF TENEBRAE**  
**7:00 P.M.**

We are about to participate in one of the oldest services of Christendom. This service consists entirely of scripture readings and hymns designed to call attention to the fact that we have been accomplices to the sufferings of Christ and yet received His abundant love and mercy.

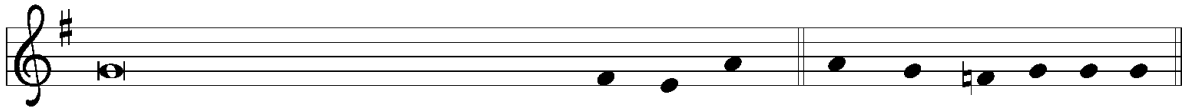
Our salvation has been purchased by Christ for a huge price and an eternal purpose. This service is a dramatic reminder of this costly sacrifice. Jesus Christ has paid for our salvation with his own life.

The silence and darkness of this service reflects the gloom of Good Friday. On that day, even the sun hid its face. The earth trembled! The stark solemnity of this night draws a firm contrast with the Easter liturgy to come. The one candle with which tonight's service ends will once again pierce the darkness of the church nave. And we shall wait in a vigilant and steady hope for the news.

The service begins with a fully lighted altar and nave. Jesus has been crucified. It seems that he has lost the battle against death and the devil, succumbing after progressive trials of torment in the bewildering onslaught of evil. Each stage of this fearsome experience is marked by the extinguishing of candles until a darkened nave bears witness to the ultimate consequences of human selfishness. But before the service ends, even as the darkness becomes more intense, a new light of hope tells us that the powers of darkness cannot overcome the light of Jesus Christ. He who died in our stead reminds us that he will come to us, even in the depths of despair, and draw us to him.

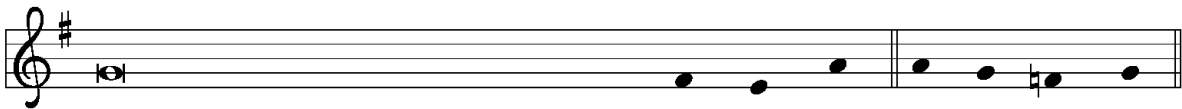
It is written in John's Gospel . . . *That light has come into the world, and the darkness cannot overcome it . . .* even on Good Friday! Christ Jesus is the hope of the world.





From war, bloodshed, and violence;  
from corrupt and unjust government;  
from sedi - tion and treason: **Good Lord, de - liv - er us.**

From epidemic, drought, and famine;  
from fire and flood, earthquake,  
lightning, and storm,  
and from ever - last - ing death: **Good Lord, de - liv - er us.**



By the mystery of your incarnation; by your ho - ly birth: **Help us, good Lord.**

By your baptism, fasting, and temptation;  
by your agony and bloody sweat;  
by your cross and suffering; by your death and burial: **Help us, good Lord.**

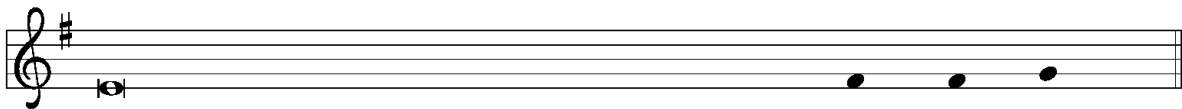
By your resurrection and ascension;  
by the gift of the Ho - ly Spirit: **Help us, good Lord.**



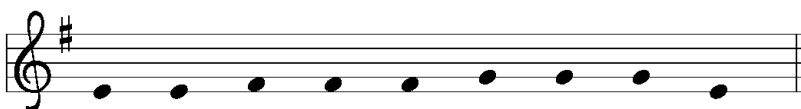
In all time of our tribulation;  
in all time of our prosperity;  
in the hour of death; and in the day of judg - ment: **Save us, good Lord.**



Though unworthy, we im - plore you to hear us, Lord our God.

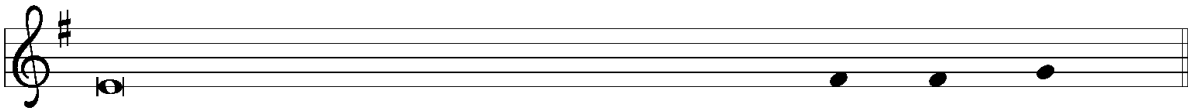


To rule and govern your holy catholic church;  
to guide all servants of your church  
in the love of your word and in holiness of life;  
to put an end to all schisms  
and causes of offense to those who would believe;  
and to bring into the way of truth all who have gone a - stray:



**We im - plore you to hear us, good Lord.**





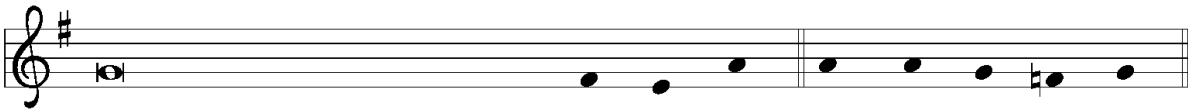
To forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers,  
and to reconcile us to them;  
to help us use wisely the fruits and treasures  
of the earth, the sea, and the air;  
and graciously to hear our prayers:



We im - plore you to hear us, good Lord.



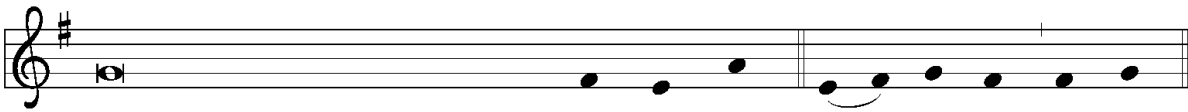
Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, we im - plore you to hear us.



Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; give us peace. A - men.



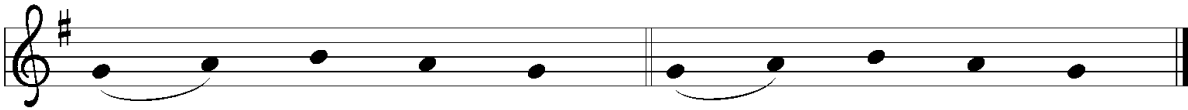
O Christ, hear us. In mer - cy hear us.



Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.



Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.



Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

## LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES AND THE VERSICLES

In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

Christ has humbled himself, and become obedient unto death;  
**Even the death of the cross.**

At the name of Jesus, every knee shall bow in heaven and on  
earth and under the earth.  
**And every tongue shall confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.**

## MUSICAL INTERLUDE

Pie Jesu (Blessed Jesus from Requiem)

Gabriel Faure arr. David L. Sanders

## INTRODUCTION TO THE WORD

## CHORAL ANTHEM

*God So Loved the World*

God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten son,  
That those who believe on Him, shall not perish, but have everlasting life.

Text: John 3: 16  
Music: Anton Bruckner (1824-1896)

THE FIRST WORD  
Father, Forgive Them...

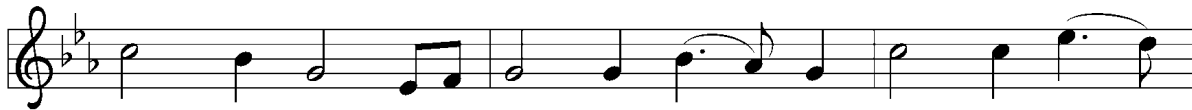
Prophecy  
Passion History  
Hymn • ELW 592

Isaiah 53:3  
Saint Luke 23:32-38

*Just as I am*



1 Just as I am, with - out one plea, but that thy blood was  
2 Just as I am, though tossed a - bout with man - y\_a con - flict,  
3 Just as I am, thou wilt re - ceive, wilt wel - come, par - don,  
4 Just as I am; thy love un - known has bro - ken ev - 'ry



shed for me, and that thou bidd'st me come to thee,  
man - y\_a doubt, fight - ings and fears with - in, with - out,  
cleanse, re - lieve; be - cause thy prom - ise I be - lieve,  
bar - rier down; now to be thine, yea, thine a - lone,



O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Text: Charlotte Elliott, 1789-1871  
Music: WOODWORTH, William B. Bradbury, 1816-1868



THE SECOND WORD  
Today...In Paradise

Prophecy  
Passion History  
Hymn • ELW 349

*Ah, holy Jesus*

Isaiah 53:12  
Saint Luke 23:39-43



1 Ah, ho - ly Je - sus, how hast thou of - fend - ed that we to  
2 Who was the guilt - y? Who brought this up - on thee? A - las, my  
3 Lo, the Good Shep - herd for the sheep is of - fered; the slave hath  
4 For me, kind Je - sus, was thine in - car - na - tion, thy mor - tal  
5 There - fore, kind Je - sus, since I can - not pay thee, I do a -



judge thee have in hate pre - tend - ed? By foes de - rid - ed,  
treason, Je - sus, hath un - done thee. 'Twas I, Lord Je - sus,  
sin - ned, and the Son hath suf - fered; for our a - tone - ment,  
sor - row, and thy life's ob - la - tion; thy death of an - guish  
dore thee, and will ev - er pray thee; think on thy pit - y



by thine own re - ject - ed, O most af - flict - ed.  
I it was de - nied thee; I cru - ci - fied thee.  
while we noth - ing heed - ed, God in - ter - ced - ed.  
and thy bit - ter pas - sion, for my sal - va - tion.  
and thy love un - swerv - ing, not my de - serv - ing.

Text: Johann Heermann, 1585–1647; tr. Robert Bridges, 1844–1930, alt.  
Music: HERZLIEBSTER JESU, Johann Crüger, 1598–1662

**THE THIRD WORD**  
**Woman, Behold Your Son...Behold Your Mother**

Prophecy  
 Passion History

Isaiah 53:10-11  
 Saint John 19: 23-27

**MUSICAL REFLECTION**

The Old Rugged Cross – George Bennard arr. Charles Maggs

**THE FOURTH WORD**  
**My God, My God, Why Have You Forsaken Me?**

Prophecy  
 Passion History  
 Hymn • ELW 769

Isaiah 53:6  
 Saint Matthew 27:45-49

*If you but trust in God*



1 If you but trust in God to guide you with gen - tle  
 2 What gain is there in anx - ious weep - ing, in help - less  
 3 The Lord our rest - less hearts is hold - ing, in peace and  
 4 Sing, pray, and keep God's ways un - swerv - ing, of - fer your



hand through all your ways, you'll find that God is there be -  
 an - ger and dis - tress? If you are in your Sav - ior's  
 qui - et - ness con - tent. We rest in God's good will un -  
 ser - vice faith - ful - ly. Trust heav - en's word; though un - de -



side you when cross - es come, in try - ing days. Trust then in  
 keep - ing, in sor - row will he love you less? For Christ who  
 fold - ing, what wis - dom from on high has sent. God, who has  
 serv - ing, you'll find God's prom - ise true to be. This is our



God's un - chang - ing love; build on the rock that will not move.  
 took for you a cross will bring you safe through ev - 'ry loss.  
 cho - sen us by grace, knows ver - y well the fears we face.  
 con - fi - dence in - deed: God nev - er fails in time of need.

Text: Georg Neumark, 1621–1681; tr. composite  
 Music: WER NUR DEN LIEBEN GOTT, Georg Neumark  
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THE FIFTH WORD  
I Thirst

Prophecy  
Passion History  
Hymn • ELW 337

Isaiah 53:7  
John 19:28-29

*Alas! And did my Savior bleed*



- 1 A - las! And did my Sav - ior bleed, and did my sov-'reign die?
- 2 Was it for sins that I had done he groaned up - on the tree?
- 3 Well might the sun in dark - ness hide and shut its glo - ries in
- 4 Thus might I hide my blush - ing face while his dear cross ap - pears,
- 5 But tears of grief can - not re - pay the debt of love I owe;



Would he de - vote that sa - cred head for sin - ners such as I?  
A - maz - ing pit - y, grace un-known, and love be - yond de - gree!  
when God, the might - y mak - er, died for his own crea - tures' sin.  
dis - solve my heart in thank - ful - ness, and melt my eyes to tears.  
here, Lord, I give my - self a - way: 'tis all that I can do.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt.  
Music: MARTYRDOM, Hugh Wilson, 1764–1824

THE SIXTH WORD  
It Is Finished!

Prophecy  
Passion History  
Hymn • ELW 351

Isaiah 53:4-5  
John 19:30

*O Sacred Head, Now Wounded*



1 O sa - cred head, now wound - ed, with grief and shame weighed down,  
2 How pale thou art with an - guish, with sore a - buse and scorn;  
3 What lan - guage shall I bor - row to thank thee, dear - est friend,  
4 Lord, be my con - so - la - tion; shield me when I must die;



now scorn - ful - ly sur - round - ed with thorns, thine on - ly crown;  
how does thy face now lan - guish, which once was bright as morn!  
for this thy dy - ing sor - row, thy pit - y with - out end?  
re - mind me of thy pas - sion when my last hour draws nigh.



O sa - cred head, what glo - ry, what bliss till now was thine!  
Thy grief and bit - ter pas - sion were all for sin - ners' gain;  
Oh, make me thine for - ev - er, and should I faint - ing be,  
These eyes, new faith re - ceiv - ing, from thee shall nev - er move;



Yet, though de - spised and gor - y, I joy to call thee mine.  
mine, mine was the trans - gres - sion, but thine the dead - ly pain.  
Lord, let me nev - er, nev - er out - live my love to thee.  
for all who die be - liev - ing die safe - ly in thy love.

Text: Paul Gerhardt, 1607–1676, based on Arnulf of Louvain, d. 1250; tr. composite  
Music: HERZLICH TUT MICH VERLANGEN, German melody, c. 1500; adapt. Hans Leo Hassler, 1564–1612

**THE SEVENTH WORD**  
**Father, Into Your Hands I Commend My Spirit**

Prophecy  
Passion History

Isaiah 53:8-9  
Saint Luke 23:44-46  
Saint Matthew 27:50-54  
Saint Luke 23:48

Hymn • ELW 353

*Were you there*



1 Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?  
2 Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?  
3 Were you there when they pierced him in the side?  
4 Were you there when the sun re - fused to shine?  
5 Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?



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Were you there when the sun re - fused to shine?  
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?



Oh, some-times it caus-es me to trem-ble, trem-ble, trem-ble.



Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?  
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?  
Were you there when they pierced him in the side?  
Were you there when the sun re - fused to shine?  
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

Text: African American spiritual  
Music: WERE YOU THERE, African American spiritual

**A Time for Silence and Meditation in Darkness**

## APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.\*  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

## RECESSIONAL AND SILENT EXODUS

## **WORSHIP LEADERS**

### OFFICIATING MINISTERS

The Rev. Connie Miller, *Senior Pastor*

The Rev. Franklin Morales, *Associate Pastor*

### MUSICIANS

Dr. Alain Truche, *Director of Music and Organist*

Schola Cantorum

Reformation Bells

## **WORSHIP IN PERSON AND ONLINE**

### **HOLY SATURDAY**

**12:00 noon Special Music, Hymns, Word and Prayer**

### **EASTER SUNDAY**

**8:45 a.m. and 11:15 Festival Worship**

**5:00 p.m. Misa de Pascua**

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