Good Friday

March 29, 2024 at Noon

The Second Day of the Ancient Triduum



SAINT LUKE LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL

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THE THREE-HOUR DEVOTIONS

For many centuries the three-hour devotions, beginning at noon and concluding at the time of the death of our Lord, have become a time set apart. Let your mind and imagination soar. Imagine the road to the cross and our Lord's unconditional love for all of creation. It was for each of us that our Lord suffered and died.

We give thanks today for our preachers who share with us this holy word:

The Rev. Eleanor Abarno, a retired Lutheran pastor, is a member of Saint Luke, and also serves as the Pastoral Liaison to the Women in Community Group. Pastor Abarno currently volunteers as a Nave Chaplain at Washington National Cathedral, and provides pastoral supply to many congregations in the Metro DC Synod of the ELCA.

The Rev. Susan Beck serves as the pastor of the Community of St. Dysmas, the Lutheran congregations within the walls of the Maryland state prison system, providing worship services and Bible study at MCIW (Jessup), MCTC (Hagerstown) and CMCF (Sykesville). Previously she served as pastor at St. John's Lutheran Church in Thurmont, Md., and Shepherd of the Glen Lutheran Church in Glenwood, Md.

The Rev. Manuel Caceres presently serves as the worship leader for the Spanish worship services for the La Sagrada Familia community. He is a Spanish teacher at St. John's Parish Day School, Ellicott City and serves as pastoral assistant at Augustana Lutheran, Washington DC.

Bishop Richard Graham, is Bishop Emeritus of the Metropolitan Washington DC Synod of the ELCA. Prior to his election he served Hope Lutheran Church, College Park, MD. Presently he is serving as Pastor-In-Residence at Saint Luke.

The Rev. The Rev. Dr. George Lobien, is a retired Lutheran pastor, author, biblical scholar, and noted preacher. He has served congregations in Maryland, Missouri, and Wisconsin. Dr. Lobien is also past president of The Writing Academy, an association of Christian writers who live in various parts of the United States. Dr. Lobien now resides in Williamsburg, VA.

The Rev. Gary Nuss served as pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church, Galion, OH, until his retirement in 2013. He is now Support Pastor at Saint Luke. Pastor Nuss also had a career in the Secret Service before he began his seminary education.

The Rev. Connie A. Miller serves as Senior Pastor at Saint Luke. A native of the Washington, DC area, she has served the Church in Indiana, Michigan, Wisconsin, Iowa, and Illinois, serving roles of congregation pastor, campus minister, and Assistant to the Bishop. The congregation at Saint Luke includes a multi-faceted ministry, including a Christian Day School, a Conference and Retreat Center, Hallowood, and an outreach to the Latino community, La Sagrada Familia.

SILENT PROCESSION

WELCOME

INVOCATION AND COLLECT FOR GOOD FRIDAY

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

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.

Amen.

APOSTLES' CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

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.

JESU KREUZ, LEIDEN UND PEIN

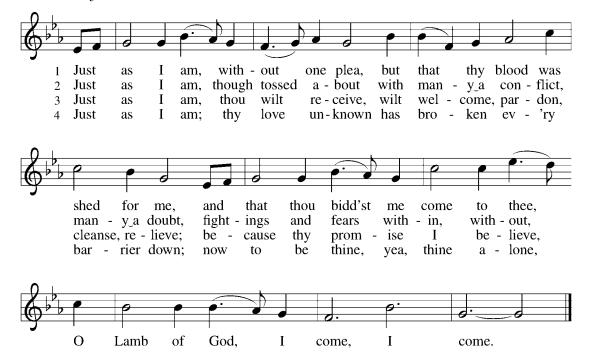


FIRST WORD • Father, Forgive Them

But they kept urgently demanding with loud shouts that he should be crucified; and their voices prevailed. So Pilate gave his verdict that their demand should be granted. He released the man they asked for, the one who had been put in prison for insurrection and murder, and he handed Jesus over as they wished. As they led him away, they seized a man, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming from the country, and they laid the cross on him, and made him carry it behind Jesus. A great number of the people followed him, and among them were women who were beating their breasts and wailing for him. But Jesus turned to them and said, "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. For the days are surely coming when they will say, 'Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bore, and the breasts that never nursed.' Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us'; and to the hills, 'Cover us.' For if they do this when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?" 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."

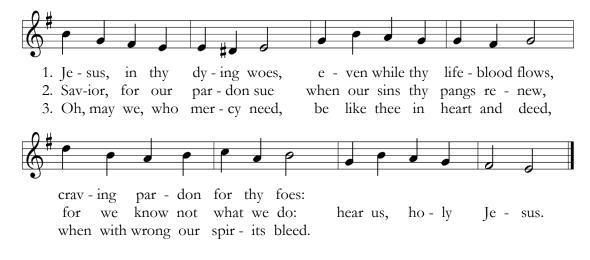
HYMN • ELW 592 Just As I Am

WOODWORTH



Pastor Miller

MEDITATION • *Father, Forgive Them...*



PRAYER

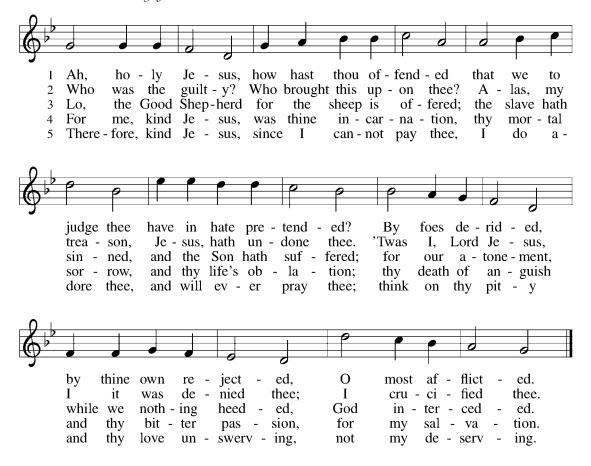
In the name of Jesus Christ, **Amen.**

SECOND WORD • *Today You Will Be With Me In Paradise*

Saint Luke 23:34b-43

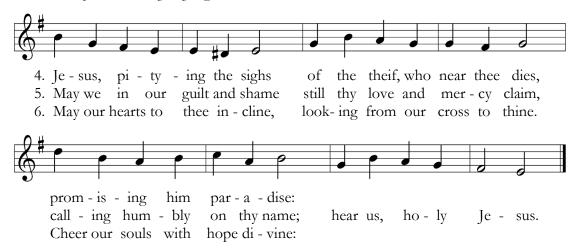
Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews." 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."

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MEDITATION • Today You Will Be With Me In Paradise

HYMN • LBW 112 Jesus, In Thy Dying Woes



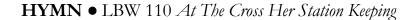
PRAYER

In the name of Jesus Christ, **Amen.**

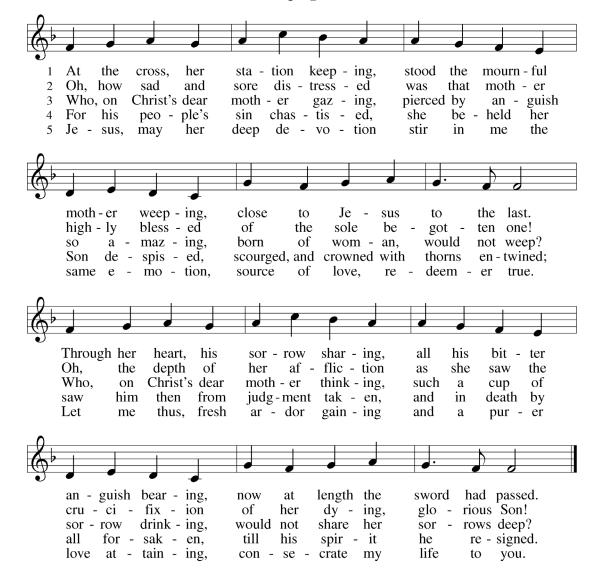
Bishop Graham

SWEDISH LITANY

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.

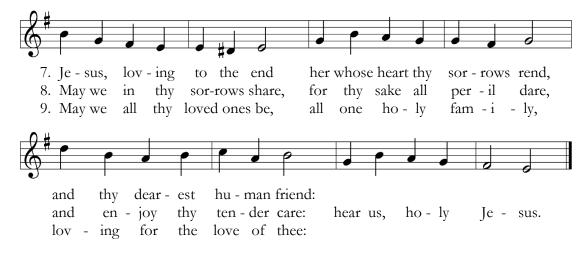


STABAT MATER



MEDITATION • *Woman, Behold Your Son . . . Behold Your Mother*

Pastor Abarno



PRAYER

In the name of Jesus Christ, Amen.

FOURTH WORD • *My God, My God, Why Have You Forsaken Me*

Saint Mark 15:33-36

When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?" which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, "Listen, he is calling for Elijah." And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down."



MEDITATION • *My God, My God, Why Have You Forsaken Me?*

Pastor Caceres

MUSICAL MEDITATION • The Old Rugged Cross Reformation Bells George Bennard arr. Charles Maggs

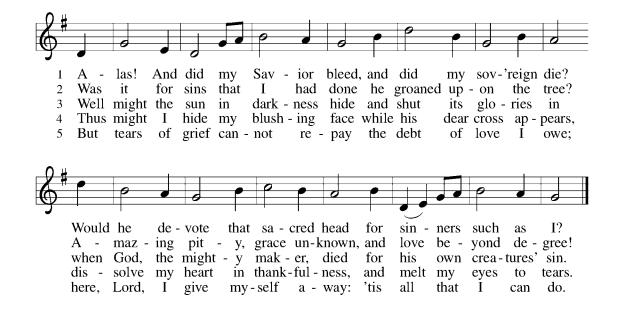
PRAYER

In the name of Jesus Christ, Amen.

FIFTH WORD • I Thirst!

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.

HYMN • ELW 337 Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed

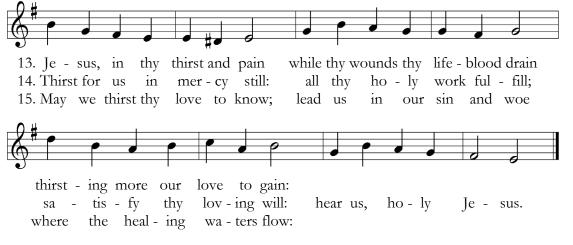


MEDITATION • *I Thirst!*

Pastor Beck

HYMN ● LBW 112 Jesus, In Thy Dying Woes

SWEDISH LITANY



MARTYRDOM

PRAYER

In the name of Jesus Christ, **Amen.**

SIXTH WORD • It Is Finished

When Jesus had received the wine, he said, "It is finished." Then he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

HYMN • ELW 351 O Sacred Head Now Wounded

0 sa - cred head, now wound - ed, with grief and 1 shame weighed down, How pale thou art with an - guish, with sore a - buse and What lan-guage shall I bor - row to thank thee, dear - est Lord, be my con - so - la - tion; shield me when I mus 2 and scorn; 3 friend, 4 must die; sur - round - ed now scorn - ful - ly with thorns, thine on - ly crown; lan - guish, which once was how does thy face now 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. - ry, what 0 sa - cred head, what glo bliss till now was thine! pas - sion were Thy grief and bit - ter 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 Ι joy call thee mine. У, to mine, mine was the trans-gres - sion, but thine the dead - ly pain. Lord, let me nev - er, nev er out live my love thee. to for all who die be-liev - ing die safe - ly in thy love.

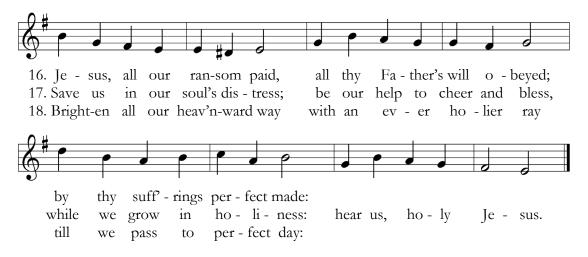
Saint John 19:30

PASSION CHORALE

Pastor Nuss

HYMN ● LBW 112 Jesus, In Thy Dying Woes

SWEDISH LITANY



PRAYER

In the name of Jesus Christ, **Amen.**

SEVENTH WORD • Father, Into Your Hands I Commend My Spirit

Saint Luke 23:44-49 Saint Matthew 27:51-54

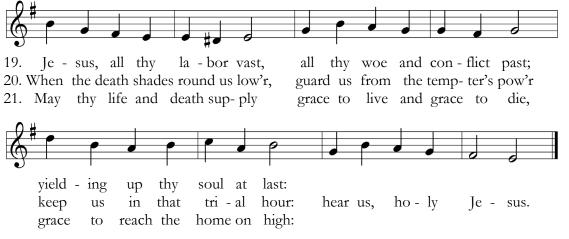
It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, while the sun's light failed; and the curtain of the temple was torn in two. Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said, "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit." Having said this, he breathed his last. When the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God and said, "Certainly this man was innocent." And when all the crowds who had gathered there for this spectacle saw what had taken place, they returned home, beating their breasts. But all his acquaintances, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things. At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. The earth shook, and the rocks were split. The tombs also were opened, and many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised. After his resurrection they came out of the tombs and entered the holy city and appeared to many. Now when the centurion and those with him, who were keeping watch over Jesus, saw the earthquake and what took place, they were terrified and said, "Truly this man was God's Son!"



MEDITATION • Father, Into Your Hands I Commend My Spirit

Pastor Lobien

HYMN ● LBW 112 Jesus, In Thy Dying Woes



SWEDISH LITANY

BIDDING PRAYER

We observe silence before each prayer.

At the conclusion: We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

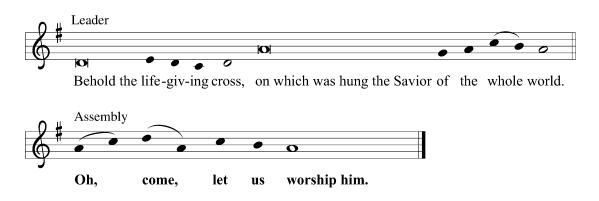
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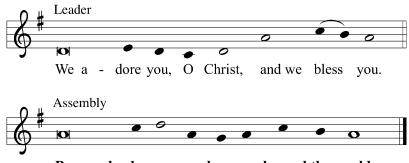
Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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 into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen. Padre Nuestro, que estas en los cielos, santificado sea tu nombre, venga a nosostros tu reino, hagase tu voluntad, asi en la tierra como en el cielo. Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada dia; perdona nuestras ofensas, como nosotros perdonamos a los que nos ofenden; y no nos dejes caer en la tentacion, mas libranos del mal. Porque tuyo es el reino, el poder, y la gloria, por los siglos de los siglos. Amen.

PROCESSION OF THE CROSS

The following dialogue is sung three times, the assembly echoing the leader.





By your ho-ly cross you have re-deemed the world.

SILENT PROCESSION

SILENT PRAYER

All depart in silence.

The bulletin cover is of the Crucifixion Window in the Saint Luke sanctuary.

GOOD FRIDAY

7:00 p.m. Service of Tenebrae Featuring "The Seven Last Words of Christ" by Theodore Dubois with choir, soloists, organ and orchestra

HOLY SATURDAY

10:00 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt

EASTER SUNDAY

8:45 a.m. FESTIVAL WORSHIP **10:00 a.m. EASTER FELLOWSHIP AND REFRESHMENTS** 11:15 a.m. FESTIVAL WORSHIP 5:00 p.m. MISA ESPAÑOL