



# GOOD FRIDAY

April 10, 2020  
1:00 p.m.

*Lutheran Church of the Redeemer*  
1800 W. Maple  
Birmingham, Michigan 48009

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
**Good Friday - April 10, 2020 – 1:00 p.m.**  
**Jesus Our True King**  
**(John 19:17-30)**

**As We Gather**

God's people around the world gather on this solemn day to recall the greatest sacrifice of love the world has ever known. Even the anticipation of our Lord's resurrection cannot diminish the horror of seeing the incarnate Lamb of God hanging on a cross, becoming our sin for us sinners, shedding His blood for the atonement of all creation. "It is finished" hear Him cry; learn of Jesus Christ to die," we sing (TLH 159). All that the Lamb of God came to accomplish for our redemption was completed in His bloody suffering and death.

In the darkness of Good Friday, the totality of human sin – from the sin of Adam and Eve to the last sin of the last human being – was gathered up and placed upon Jesus. He bore the full weight of it as He became sin for sinners. In doing so, our Lord also bore divine penalty, thus bringing upon Himself the wounds by which sinners are healed.

The Eternal Lamp in the Sanctuary represents the eternal presence of God. On this day the Lamp is unlit, as a reminder that God truly did forsake His Son on the Cross on Good Friday, so that we, His children, would never be forsaken by Him.

**Prayer Before Worship**

Almighty and eternal God, because it was Your will that Your Son should bear for us the pains of the Cross and thus remove from us the power of the adversary, help us to remember and give thanks for our Lord's Passion that we may receive remission of sins and redemption from everlasting death; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## Prelude

Rick Helderop, organist

### Good Friday Reproaches

*P: Thus says the Lord: What have I done to you, O my people, and wherein have I offended you? Answer me. For I have raised you up from the prison house of sin and death, and you have delivered up your Redeemer to be scourged. For I have redeemed you from the house of bondage, and you have nailed your Savior to the cross, O my people.*

**C: Surely He took up our infirmities and carried our sorrows, yet we considered Him stricken by God, smitten by Him, and afflicted.**  
*(Isaiah 53:4)*

*P: Holy Lord God, holy and mighty God, holy and most merciful Redeemer; God eternal,*

**C: Leave us not to bitter death. O Lord, have mercy.**

*P: Thus says the Lord: What have I done to you, O my people, and wherein have I offended you? Answer me. For I have conquered all your foes, and you have given me over and delivered me to those who persecute me. For I have fed you with my word and refreshed you with the living water, and you have given me gall and vinegar to drink, O my people.*

**C: Surely He took up our infirmities and carried our sorrows, yet we considered Him stricken by God, smitten by Him, and afflicted.**

*P: Holy Lord God, holy and mighty God, holy and most merciful Redeemer; God eternal,*

**C: Allow us not to lose hope in the face of death and hell. O Lord, have mercy.**

*P: Thus says the Lord: What have I done to you, O my people, and wherein have I offended you? Answer me. What more could have been done for my vineyard than I have done for it? When I looked for good grapes, why did it yield only bad? My people, is this how you thank your God, O my people?*

**C: Surely He took up our infirmities and carried our sorrows, yet we considered Him stricken by God, smitten by Him, and afflicted.**

*P: Holy Lord God, holy and mighty God, holy and most merciful Redeemer;  
God eternal,*

**C: Keep us steadfast in the true faith. O Lord, have mercy.**

### **Reading of the Holy Passion: Jesus Is Crucified**

**Hymn 172**            O Sacred Head, How Wounded

1. O sacred Head, now wounded, with grief and shame weighed down,  
Now scornfully surrounded with thorns, Thine only crown.  
O sacred Head, what glory, what bliss, till now was Thine!  
Yet, Tho' despised and gory, I joy to call Thee mine.
2. Men mock and taunt and jeer Thee, Thou noble countenance,  
Tho' mighty worlds shall fear Thee and flee before Thy glance.  
How art Thou pale with anguish, with sore abuse and scorn!  
How doth Thy visage languish that once was bright as morn!

### **Reading of the Holy Passion: Jesus Speaks from the Cross**

**Hymn 172**            O Sacred Head, How Wounded

3. Now from Thy cheeks has vanished their color, once so fair;  
From Thy red lips is banished the splendor that was there.  
Grim Death, with cruel rigor, Hath robbed Thee of Thy life;  
Thus Thou hast lost Thy vigor, Thy strength, in this sad strife.
4. My burden in Thy Passion, Lord, Thou hast borne for me,  
For it was my transgression which bro't this woe on Thee.  
I cast me down before Thee; wrath were my rightful lot.  
Have mercy, I implore Thee; Redeemer, spurn me not!

### **Reading of the Holy Passion: Jesus Is Buried**

**Hymn 158**            Glory Be to Jesus

1. Glory be to Jesus, who in bitter pains  
Poured for me the lifeblood from His sacred veins!

2. Grace and life eternal in that blood I find;  
Blest be His compassion, infinitely kind!

## **Good Friday Homily**

John 19:17-30

“My God”

Rev. Randall J. Schalk

And at three in the afternoon Jesus cried out in a loud voice, “Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?” (which means “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”) -Mark 15:34

## **Prayer**

### **Lord’s Prayer**

### **Holy Cross Responsory**

*P: Behold, the life-giving cross on which was hung the salvation of the world.*

**C: Oh, come, let us worship Him.**

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### **Retiring of the Paschal Candles**

Thy Will Be Done – Courtney

Steve SeGraves, vocalist

The Paschal Candle in our Sanctuary was given to the glory of God and in loving memory of beloved parents Bert and Bertha Hollis and Bill and Emma Dalquist by the Hollis Family. The Paschal Candle in our Chapel was given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Calleen Berndt by Richard Berndt. On this Good Friday, as we remember Christ’s death, we remove the candles from their place near the altars. As Christ laid in the tomb, so now we lay these candles to rest.

P: "It is FINISHED!" (Noise at the Tomb)

(At this time the Service book which rests on the altar is slammed shut. This is to remind us of the noise a casket lid makes when being shut. The Son of God is now in the tomb.)

There is no Benediction at the close of Good Friday Services  
because our worship is unfinished.

We return on Easter for the final chapter  
of Christ's victory and ours – the Resurrection.

**Thanks and appreciation to:**  
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