

15 April 2022
Good Friday



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On this day the ministers enter in silence. All then kneel for silent prayer, after which the Presider says:

Presider: Blessed be our God
People: **Forever and ever. Amen.**

Presider: Let us pray:
All: **Almighty God, we pray you graciously to behold this your family for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, and given into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death upon the cross; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen.**

(Please be seated for the lessons and Passion readings)

First Lesson: A Reading from the book of Isaiah (52:13--53:12)

13 The Lord says,

“My servant will succeed in his task;
he will be highly honored.

14 Many people were shocked when they saw him;
he was so disfigured that he hardly looked human.

15 But now many nations will marvel at him,
and kings will be speechless with amazement.

They will see and understand
something they had never known.”

The people reply,

“Who would have believed what we now report?
Who could have seen the Lord's hand in this?

2 It was the will of the Lord that his servant
grow like a plant taking root in dry ground.

He had no dignity or beauty

to make us take notice of him.
There was nothing attractive about him,
nothing that would draw us to him.
3 We despised him and rejected him;
he endured suffering and pain.
No one would even look at him—
we ignored him as if he were nothing.
4 “But he endured the suffering that should have been ours,
the pain that we should have borne.
All the while we thought that his suffering
was punishment sent by God.
5 But because of our sins he was wounded,
beaten because of the evil we did.
We are healed by the punishment he suffered,
made whole by the blows he received.
6 All of us were like sheep that were lost,
each of us going his own way.
But the Lord made the punishment fall on him,
the punishment all of us deserved.
7 “He was treated harshly, but endured it humbly;
he never said a word.
Like a lamb about to be slaughtered,
like a sheep about to be sheared,
he never said a word.
8 He was arrested and sentenced and led off to die,
and no one cared about his fate.
He was put to death for the sins of our people.
9 He was placed in a grave with those who are evil,
he was buried with the rich,
even though he had never committed a crime
or ever told a lie.”
10 The Lord says,
“It was my will that he should suffer;
his death was a sacrifice to bring forgiveness.
And so he will see his descendants;
he will live a long life,
and through him my purpose will succeed.

11 After a life of suffering, he will again have joy;
he will know that he did not suffer in vain.
My devoted servant, with whom I am pleased,
will bear the punishment of many
and for his sake I will forgive them.
12 And so I will give him a place of honor,
a place among the great and powerful.
He willingly gave his life
and shared the fate of evil men.
He took the place of many sinners
and prayed that they might be forgiven.”

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Psalm: 22:1-11 (said aloud in unison)

1 My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

**I have cried desperately for help,
but still it does not come.**

2 During the day I call to you, my God,

but you do not answer;

I call at night, but get no rest.

3 But you are enthroned as the Holy One,

the one whom Israel praises.

4 Our ancestors put their trust in you;

they trusted you, and you saved them.

5 They called to you and escaped from danger;

they trusted you and were not disappointed.

6 But I am no longer a human being; I am a worm,

despised and scorned by everyone!

7 All who see me make fun of me;

they stick out their tongues and shake their heads.

8 “You relied on the Lord,” they say.

“Why doesn't he save you?

If the Lord likes you,

why doesn't he help you?”

9 It was you who brought me safely through birth,

and when I was a baby, you kept me safe.

**10 I have relied on you since the day I was born,
and you have always been my God.**

**11 Do not stay away from me!
Trouble is near,
and there is no one to help.**

Second Lesson: A Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews (10:16-25)

The Holy Spirit testifies saying,

"This is the covenant that I will make with them
after those days, says the Lord:
I will put my laws in their hearts,
and I will write them on their minds,"

he also adds,

"I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more."

Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin. Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Passion

Leader: The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

The people may be seated while the passion narrative is read aloud. At the verse which mentions the arrival at "Golgotha" all stand as they are able.

Homily—Skit Guys *“Good Friday”* video

Veneration of the Cross

At this time a large wooden cross is brought into the church before the altar. The people are welcome to come up to the cross for a time of silent prayer. You may also bring a paper red heart up to the cross and tape it to the cross as a symbol of you giving your heart to Jesus for the sacrifice of his life and his love for you and all people.

Songs: — *“When I survey the wondrous cross “* Hymnal 1982 #474
— *“He never said a mumblin’ word “*— following LEVASII #33

He Never Said a Mumbalin’ Word

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1. They cru - ci - fied_ my Lord, ___ and He nev - er said a mum-ba-lin’
2. They nailed Him to ___ a tree, ___ and He nev - er said a mum-ba-lin’

The first system of music consists of a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff, both in 4/4 time with a key signature of two flats. The treble staff contains the melody, and the bass staff contains the accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

1. word; They cru - ci - fied_ my Lord, ___ and He nev - er said a mum-ba-lin’
2. word; They nailed Him to ___ a tree, ___ and He nev - er said a mum-ba-lin’

The second system of music continues the melody and accompaniment from the first system. It includes the same two staves and lyrics. A fermata is placed over the final note of the melody in both systems. A page number '6' is centered below the bass staff of the second system.

1. word. Not a word, ___ not a word, ___ not a word.
 2. word. Not a word, ___ not a word, ___ not a word.

3. They pierced Him in the side.
 4. The blood came streamin' down.
 5. He hung His head and died.

Words: Traditional

Music: Negro Spiritual; arr. Carl Haywood (b. 1949), from *The Haywood Collection of Negro Spirituals*,
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The Solemn Collects: BCP p. 277 (*please kneel or sit*)

Presider: Dear People of God: Our heavenly Father sent his Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world through him might be saved; that all who believe in him might be delivered from the power of sin and death, and become heirs with him of everlasting life.

We pray, therefore, for people everywhere according to their needs.

Leader Let us pray for the holy catholic church of Christ throughout the world;

For its unity in witness and service

For all bishops and other ministers

and the people whom they serve

For Jennifer and Deborah, our Bishops,
 and all the people of this diocese and synod.

For all Christians in this community

That God will confirm his Church in faith, increase it in love,
 and preserve it in peace.

Silence

Presider: Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified:
People: **Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Leader: Let us pray for all nations and peoples of the earth, and for those in authority among them;
For the President of the United States
For the Congress and the Supreme Court
For the Members and Representatives of the United Nations
For all who serve the common good
That by God's help they may seek justice and truth, and live in peace and concord.

Silence

Presider: Almighty God, kindle, we pray, in every heart the true love of peace, and guide with your wisdom those who take counsel for the nations of the earth;
People: **that in tranquility your dominion may increase, until the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Leader: Let us pray for all who suffer and are afflicted in body or in mind;
For the hungry and the homeless, the destitute
and the oppressed
For the sick, the wounded, and the crippled
For those in loneliness, fear, and anguish
For those who face temptation, doubt, and despair
For the sorrowful and bereaved
For prisoners and captives, and those in mortal danger
That God in his mercy will comfort and relieve them, and grant them the knowledge of his love, and stir up in us the will and patience to minister to their needs.

Silence

Presider Gracious God, the comfort of all who sorrow, the strength of all who suffer: Let the cry of those in misery and need come to you, that they may find your mercy present with them in all their afflictions;

People: and give us, we pray, the strength to serve them for the sake of him who suffered for us, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Leader: Let us pray for all who have not received the Gospel of Christ;
For those who have never heard the word of salvation
For those who have lost their faith
For those hardened by sin or indifference
For the contemptuous and the scornful
For those who are enemies of the cross of Christ and persecutors of his disciples
For those who in the name of Christ have persecuted others
That God will open their hearts to the truth, and lead them to faith and obedience.

Silence

Presider: Merciful God, creator of all the peoples of the earth and lover of souls: Have compassion on all who do not know you as you are revealed in your Son Jesus Christ;

People: let your Gospel be preached with grace and power to those who have not heard it; turn the hearts of those who resist it; and bring home to your fold those who have gone astray; that there may be one flock under one shepherd, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Leader: Let us commit ourselves to God, and pray for the grace of a holy life, that, with all who have departed this world and have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to God alone, we may be accounted worthy to enter into the fullness of the joy of our Lord, and receive the crown of life in the day of resurrection.

Silence

Presider: O God of unchangeable power and eternal light: Look favorably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; by the effectual working of your providence, carry out in tranquility the plan of salvation;

People; **let the whole world see and know that things which were cast down are being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are being brought to their perfection by him, through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Communion from Reserved Sacrament:

Presider: Almighty Father, whose dear Son, on the night before he suffered, instituted the Sacrament of his Body and Blood: Mercifully grant that we may receive it thankfully in remembrance of Jesus Christ our Lord, who in these holy mysteries gives us a pledge of eternal life; and who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

And now as our savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

All: **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,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

Presider: The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith and with thanksgiving.

Communion music “*Ah Holy Jesus*”

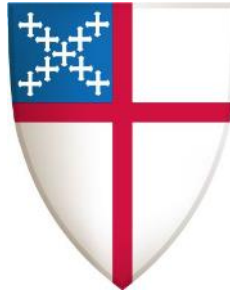
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(All are welcome to come forward to receive the bread of communion in this church.)

Presider: Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, we pray you to set your passion, cross, and death between your judgment and our souls, now and in the hour of our death. Give mercy and grace to the living; pardon and rest to the dead; to your holy Church peace and concord; and to us everlasting life and glory; for with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

(The Candle of Presence on the altar is extinguished, the remaining reserved sacrament is placed in the “tomb” / columbarium and ministers depart in silence)

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