

GOOD FRIDAY

Behold the Lamb of God, Who Takes Away the Sin of the World

APRIL 2, 2021

AS WE GATHER: Jesus, the Lamb of God, is led to the slaughter of His cross as the sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the world. *"Despised and rejected by men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief"* (Is. 53:3), He is the righteous Servant who justifies many by His innocent suffering and death. He bears our griefs and carries our sorrows; He is wounded for our transgressions; He is crushed for our iniquities; He suffers our chastisement, so that *"with His stripes we are healed"* (Is. 53:4-5). As the Son of God, He fulfills the Law for us in human flesh, and so fulfills the Scriptures (John 19:7, 24). For in Christ, *"God was reconciling the whole world to Himself, not counting their trespasses against them"* (2 Cor. 5:19).

ORDER OF SERVICE VESPERS

OPENING HYMN: "Jesus, I Will Ponder Now" **LSB 440**

"O Lord, open my lips . . .": LSB 229

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION:

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People: who made heaven and earth.

Pastor: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

People: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Pastor: O almighty God, merciful Father,

People: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent

COLLECT FOR PEACE

LSB 233

(The Paschal Candle is removed and taken from the chancel.)

CLOSING HYMN: "Upon the Cross Extended" **LSB 453**

STREPITUS (The stone is rolled in front of the tomb.)

PARTING

(There is no Benediction. The congregation rises quietly and leaves in silence.)

PARTICIPATING:

Worship Leader/Preacher
Organist
Worship Elder
Acolyte

Pastor Justin D. Kane
Mrs. Kolleen Hosford
Mr. Al Hosford
Morgan Kisch

Join us for worship Easter morning with services at 7 and 9 a.m.

and be of one accord and one mind and heart with us and with Your whole Christian Church; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

P Let us pray for the fruits of the earth, that God would send down His blessing upon them and graciously dispose our hearts to enjoy them according to His own good will:

O Lord, Father Almighty, by Your Word You created and You continue to bless and uphold all things. We pray You so to reveal to us Your Word, our Lord Jesus Christ that, through His dwelling in our hearts, we may by Your grace be made ready to receive Your blessing on all the fruits of the earth and whatsoever pertains to our bodily need; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

P Finally, let us pray for all those things for which our Lord would have us ask, saying:

C **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.

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COLLECTS

*COLLECT OF THE DAY:

Pastor: Almighty God,

People: 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. Amen.

of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, to me, a poor, sinful being.

Pastor: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

PSALMODY

INTROIT

(Ps. 102:1-2, 12; antiphon: Is. 53:4a, 5a, 6a)

Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our | sorrows*
He was wounded for our transgressions; he was crushed for our in- | iquities.
**All we like sheep have | gone astray;*
and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity | of us all.**
Hear my prayer, | O LORD;*
let my cry | come to you!
Do not hide your face from me in the day of | my distress!*
Incline your ear to me; answer me speedily in the day | when I call!
But you, O LORD, are enthroned for- | ever;*
you are remembered throughout all gener- | ations.
**Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our | sorrows.*
He was wounded for our transgressions; he was crushed for our in- | iquities.**
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OFFICE HYMN

“O Sacred Head, Now Wounded”

LSB 450

READINGS:

Old Testament: Isaiah 52:13—53:12
Pew Bible Page 1145
Epistle: 2 Corinthians 5:11-21
Pew Bible Page 1799
Gospel: John 18:1—19:42
Pew Bible Page 1681

LENT RESPONSORY

LSB 231

CANTICLE

MAGNIFICAT:

“Song of Mary”

LSB 231

KYRIE:

LSB 233

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH & LORD’S PRAYER

- P Let us pray for the whole Christian Church, that our Lord God would defend her against all the assaults and temptations of the adversary and keep her perpetually on the true foundation, Jesus Christ:
Almighty and everlasting God, since You have revealed Your glory to all nations in Jesus Christ and in the Word of His truth, keep, we ask You, in safety the works of Your mercy so that Your Church, spread throughout all the nations, may be defended against the adversary and may serve You in true faith and persevere in the confession of Your name; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C **Amen.**
- P Let us pray for all the ministers of the Word, for all vocations in the Church, and for all the people of God:
Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified, receive the supplications and prayers which we offer before You for all Your servants in Your holy Church that every member of the same may truly serve You according to Your calling; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C **Amen.**
- P Let us pray for our catechumens, that our Lord God would open their hearts and the door of His mercy that, having received the remission of all their sins by the washing of regeneration, they may be mindful of their Baptism and evermore be found in Christ Jesus, our Lord:
Almighty God and Father, because You always grant growth to Your Church, increase the faith and understanding of our catechumens that, rejoicing in their new birth by the water of Holy Baptism, they may forever continue in the family of those whom You adopt as Your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C **Amen.**
- P Let us pray for all in authority that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty:
O merciful Father in heaven, because You hold in Your hand all the might of man and because You have ordained, for the punishment of evildoers and for the praise of

those who do well, all the powers that exist in all the nations of the world, we humbly pray You graciously to regard Your servants, especially *Joe*, our President; the Congress of the United States; *Kim*, our Governor; and all those who make, administer, and judge our laws; that all who receive the sword as Your ministers may bear it according to Your Word; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

- C **Amen.**
- P Let us pray our Lord God Almighty that He would deliver the world from all error, take away disease, ward off famine, set free those in bondage, and grant health to the sick and a safe journey to all who travel:
Almighty and everlasting God, the consolation of the sorrowful and the strength of the weak, may the prayers of those who in any tribulation or distress cry to You graciously come before You, so that in all their necessities they may rejoice in Your manifold help and comfort; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C **Amen.**
- P Let us pray for all who are outside the Church, that our Lord God would be pleased to deliver them from their error, call them to faith in the true and living God and His only Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and gather them into His family, the Church:
Almighty and everlasting God, because You seek not the death but the life of all, hear our prayers for all who have no right knowledge of You, free them from their error, and for the glory of Your name bring them into the fellowship of Your holy Church; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C **Amen.**
- P Let us pray for peace, that we may come to the knowledge of God’s holy Word and walk before Him as is fitting for Christians:
- P Almighty and everlasting God, King of Glory, and Lord of heaven and earth, by whose
of
name;
Spirit all things are governed, by whose providence all things are ordered, the God
peace and the author of all concord, grant us, we implore You, Your heavenly peace and concord that we may serve You in true fear, to the praise and glory of Your
through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C **Amen.**
- P Let us pray for our enemies, that God would remember them in mercy and graciously grant them such things as are both needful for them and profitable for their salvation:

O almighty, everlasting God, through Your only Son, our blessed Lord, You have commanded us to love our enemies, to do good to those who hate us, and to pray for those who persecute us. We therefore earnestly implore You that by Your gracious visitation all our enemies may be led to true repentance and may have the same love