

# Good Friday

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# † Call to Worship †

## Silent Prayer Before Worship

*Merciful and everlasting God, Your Son offered Himself with faith in You and true worship of the heart. Grant that with hearts fixed on Jesus and faith in Him we may see Your grace and mercy calling us Your own and fear neither death nor hell, but live in devotion to our Savior, in anticipation of the blessings to come, and with joy before a world still in darkness. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.*

## Hymn # 438:1 “A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth”

Exodus 12:5; Isaiah 53:1-12; John 1:29



1 A Lamb goes un - com - plain - ing forth, The  
guilt of sin - ners bear - ing And, lad - en with the  
sins of earth, None else the bur - den shar - ing; Goes  
pa - tient on, grows weak and faint, To slaugh - ter led with -  
out com-plaint, That spot-less life to of - fer, He bears the  
stripes, the wounds, the lies, The mock - er - y, and  
yet re - plies, “All this I glad - ly suf - fer.”

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Stand

## Invocation

- P** In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.

## Psalms 22:1-7, 14-15, 19, 22, 27, 31

- P** <sup>1</sup>My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?  
**C** **Why are you so far from saving me, from the words of my groaning?**  
**P** <sup>2</sup>O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer,  
**C** **and by night, but I find no rest.**  
**P** <sup>3</sup>Yet you are holy,  
**C** **enthroned on the praises of Israel.**  
**P** <sup>4</sup>In you our fathers trusted;  
**C** **they trusted, and you delivered them.**  
**P** <sup>5</sup>To you they cried and were rescued;  
**C** **in you they trusted and were not put to shame.**  
**P** <sup>6</sup>But I am a worm and not a man,  
**C** **scorned by mankind and despised by the people.**

**P** <sup>7</sup>All who see me mock me;  
**C** **they make mouths at me; they wag their heads;**  
**P** <sup>14</sup>I am poured out like water,  
**C** **and all my bones are out of joint;**  
**P** my heart is like wax;  
**C** **it is melted within my breast;**  
**P** <sup>15</sup>my strength is dried up like a potsherd,  
 and my tongue sticks to my jaws;  
**C** **you lay me in the dust of death.**  
**P** <sup>19</sup>But you, O LORD, do not be far off!  
**C** **O you my help, come quickly to my aid!**  
**P** <sup>22</sup>I will tell of your name to my brothers;  
**C** **in the midst of the congregation I will praise you:**  
**P** <sup>27</sup>All the ends of the earth shall remember  
 and turn to the LORD,  
**C** **and all the families of the nations**  
**shall worship before you.**  
**P** <sup>31</sup>they shall come and proclaim his righteousness to a people yet unborn,  
**C** **that he has done it.**  
**All** **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;**  
**as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

#### Lord's Prayer

**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.**

#### Old Testament: Isaiah 52:13-15; 53:3-6

**P** The Old Testament lesson is from Isaiah, chapters 52 & 53.

<sup>13</sup>*Behold, my servant shall act wisely;  
 he shall be high and lifted up,  
 and shall be exalted.*  
<sup>14</sup>*As many were astonished at you—  
 his appearance was so marred, beyond human semblance,  
 and his form beyond that of the children of mankind—*  
<sup>15</sup>*so shall he sprinkle many nations;  
 kings shall shut their mouths because of him;  
 for that which has not been told them they see,  
 and that which they have not heard they understand.*

<sup>3</sup>He was despised and rejected by men;  
 a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief;  
 and as one from whom men hide their faces  
 he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

<sup>4</sup>Surely he has borne our griefs  
 and carried our sorrows;  
 yet we esteemed him stricken,  
 smitten by God, and afflicted.

<sup>5</sup>But he was wounded for our transgressions;  
 he was crushed for our iniquities;

upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace,  
and with his stripes we are healed.  
<sup>6</sup>All we like sheep have gone astray;  
we have turned every one to his own way;  
and the LORD has laid on him  
the iniquity of us all.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Sit*

**Special Music: “Were You There?”**

## † The First Word †

*Stand*

**Mark 15:22-32**

<sup>22</sup>And they brought him to the place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull). <sup>23</sup>And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh, but he did not take it. <sup>24</sup>And they crucified him and divided his garments among them, casting lots for them, to decide what each should take. <sup>25</sup>And it was the third hour when they crucified him. <sup>26</sup>And the inscription of the charge against him read, **“The King of the Jews.”** <sup>27</sup>And with him they crucified two robbers, one on his right and one on his left. <sup>29</sup>And those who passed by derided him, wagging their heads and saying, *“Aha! You who would destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, <sup>30</sup>save yourself, and come down from the cross!”* <sup>31</sup>So also the chief priests with the scribes mocked him to one another, saying, *“He saved others; he cannot save himself.”* <sup>32</sup>*Let the Christ, the King of Israel, come down now from the cross that we may see and believe.”* Those who were crucified with him also reviled him.

**Luke 23:34**

<sup>34</sup>And Jesus said, ***“Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.”***

*Sit*

**Hymn # 430:5 “My Song Is Love Unknown”**

5 They rise and needs will have My dear Lord made a -  
way; A mur - der - er they save, The Prince of Life they  
slay. Yet cheer - ful He To suf - f'ring goes  
That He His foes From thence might free.

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### **Meditation**

*Stand*

**Prayer:**

**P** Lord Jesus, sent by Your Father You carried in Your own flesh our sinful rebellion, and You have brought us into reconciliation with God. Teach us to follow as disciples that we also may pray for those who sin against us, and so carry Your forgiveness to a world alienated from God and from life. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** Hear our prayer. Amen.

**Extinguishing of the 1<sup>st</sup> Candle**

## † The Second Word †

Luke 23:39-43

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<sup>39</sup>One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, “Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!” <sup>40</sup>But the other rebuked him, saying, “Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation?” <sup>41</sup>And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong.” <sup>42</sup>And he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.” <sup>43</sup>And he said to him, **“Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise.”**

Sit

Hymn # 437:1-2 “Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed”

1 A - las! And did my Sav - ior bleed, And  
2 Was it for crimes that I had done He

did my sov - 'reign die? Would He de - vote that  
groaned up - on the tree? A - maz - ing pit - y,

sa - cred head For such a worm as I?  
grace un - known, And love be - yond de - gree!

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### Meditation

Stand

Prayer:

**P** Lord Jesus, Good Shepherd, on the cross You called one lost sinner, and You have called each one of us from being lost. Guide us that, having been made Your own, we may grow in love, and seek those whom You seek; that through us the love of God may reach many around us. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** Hear our prayer. Amen.

Extinguishing of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Candle

## † The Third Word †

John 19:25-27

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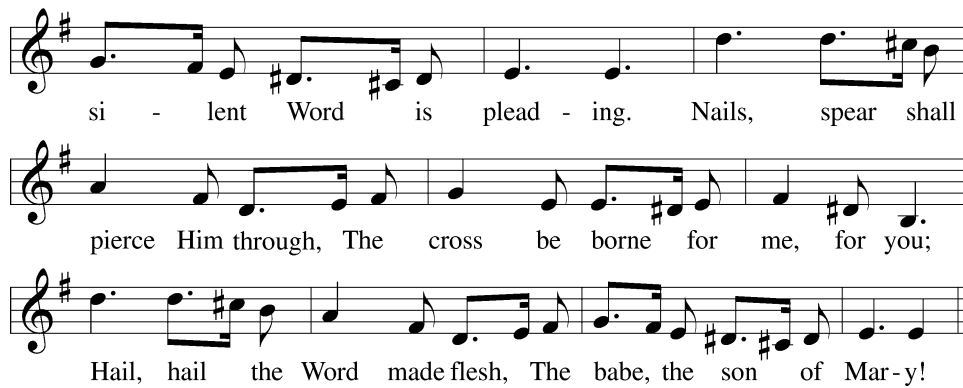
<sup>25</sup>but standing by the cross of Jesus were his mother and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. <sup>26</sup>When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to his mother, **“Woman, behold, your son!”** <sup>27</sup>Then he said to the disciple, **“Behold, your mother!”** And from that hour the disciple took her to his own home.

Sit

Hymn # 370:2 “What Child Is This”

2 Why lies He in such mean es-tate Where ox and ass are

feed - ing? Good Chris - tian, fear; for sin - ners here The



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## Meditation

*Stand*

### Prayer:

- P** Dear Jesus our Savior, You were born to bring us into the family of God, that sharing in Your Word, we may together receive blessings and life from our Father in heaven. Fill us with joy in those You have given us in this life; so that walking in faith and devotion we may be a blessing to all around us. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **Hear our prayer. Amen.**

## Extinguishing of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Candle

# † The Fourth Word †

Mark 15:33-36

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<sup>33</sup>And when the sixth hour had come, there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour. <sup>34</sup>And at the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, ***“Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?”*** which means, ***“My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”*** <sup>35</sup>And some of the bystanders hearing it said, *“Behold, he is calling Elijah.”* <sup>36</sup>And someone ran and filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a reed and gave it to him to drink, saying, *“Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down.”*

*Sit*

## Hymn “A Canaanite, She Comes to Pray” vv. 4-5



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## Meditation

*Stand*

### Prayer:

- P** Lord Jesus our Redeemer, in Your great cry You called out in faith, and on the cross brought the promises of Your Father to the furthest and darkest place. Strengthen our faith that we may trust Your promises in every part and condition of our lives. Guide us to follow You with simple faith and faith filled devotion. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **Hear our prayer. Amen.**

## Extinguishing of the 4<sup>th</sup> Candle

### † The Fifth Word †

John 19:28-29

*John 19:28-29*

- <sup>28</sup>After this, Jesus, knowing that all was now finished, said (to fulfill the Scripture), ***“I thirst.”***
- <sup>29</sup>A jar full of sour wine stood there, so they put a sponge full of the sour wine on a hyssop branch and held it to his mouth.

*Sit*

### Hymn # 431:1-2 “Not All the Blood of Beasts”

1 Not all the blood of beasts On Jew - ish al - tars slain  
2 But Christ, the heav'n - ly Lamb, Takes all our sins a - way;  
Could give the guilt - y con-science peace Or wash a - way the stain.  
A sac - ri - fice of no - bler name And rich - er blood than they.

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## Meditation

*Stand*

### Prayer:

- P** Dear Jesus, our Lord and Teacher, You fasted and thirsted and taught us that we do not live on bread alone, but by every word that comes from Your Father; and so You lead us into faith and worship. Teach us to have our hearts set on the things of eternity, knowing that our life is hid with You in the love and promises of God. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **Hear our prayer. Amen.**

## Extinguishing of the 5<sup>th</sup> Candle

### † The Sixth Word †

Reading: John 19:30

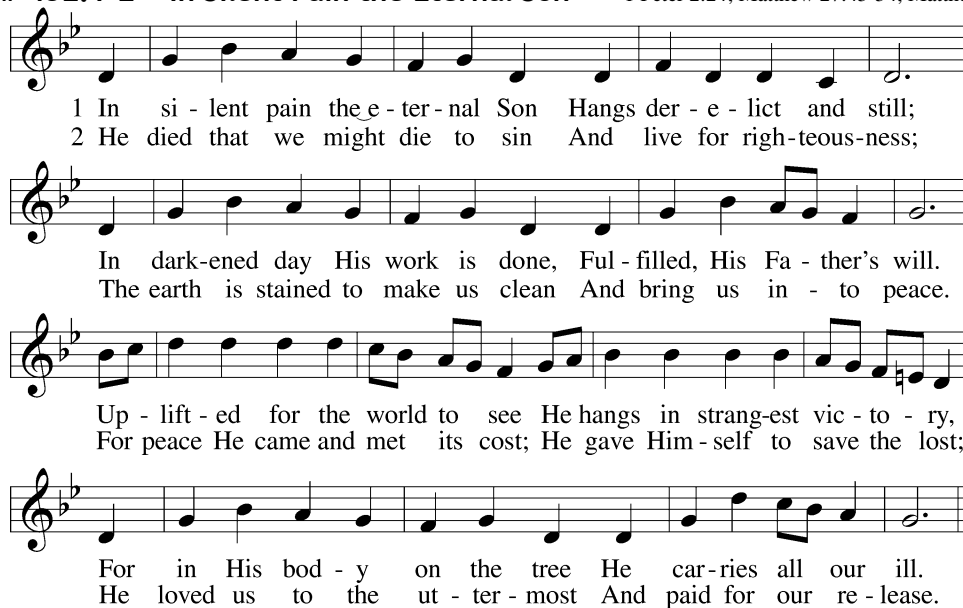
*John 19:30*

- <sup>30</sup>When Jesus had received the sour wine, he said, ***“It is finished,”***

*Sit*

## Hymn # 432:1-2 "In Silent Pain the Eternal Son"

1 Peter 2:24; Matthew 27:45-54; Matthew 10:34-39



1 In si - lent pain the e - ter - nal Son Hangs der - e - lict and still;  
 2 He died that we might die to sin And live for righ-teous-ness;  
 In dark-ened day His work is done, Ful - filled, His Fa - ther's will.  
 The earth is stained to make us clean And bring us in - to peace.  
 Up - lift - ed for the world to see He hangs in strang-est vic - to - ry,  
 For peace He came and met its cost; He gave Him - self to save the lost;  
 For in His bod - y on the tree He car-ries all our ill.  
 He loved us to the ut - ter - most And paid for our re - lease.

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## Meditation

*Stand*

### Prayer:

- P** O Jesus, Lamb of God, in devotion to Your Father's desire for our salvation, and in Your love for us You laid down Your life. At such a price You bought us that we may know for all eternity that we are redeemed. Lead us to rest in the completeness of Your salvation, and rejoice in the freedom of belonging to You, that we may live in devotion to our God and continue to praise You for all eternity. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** Hear our prayer. Amen.

## Extinguishing of the 6<sup>th</sup> Candle

## † The Seventh Word †

### Luke 23:45-49

*Luke 23:45-49*

<sup>45</sup> ... And the curtain of the temple was torn in two. <sup>46</sup> Then Jesus, calling out with a loud voice, said, **"Father, into your hands I commit my spirit!"** And having said this he breathed his last. <sup>47</sup> Now when the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God, saying, *"Certainly this man was innocent!"* <sup>48</sup> And all the crowds that had assembled for this spectacle, when they saw what had taken place, returned home beating their breasts. <sup>49</sup> And all his acquaintances and the women who had followed him from Galilee stood at a distance watching these things.

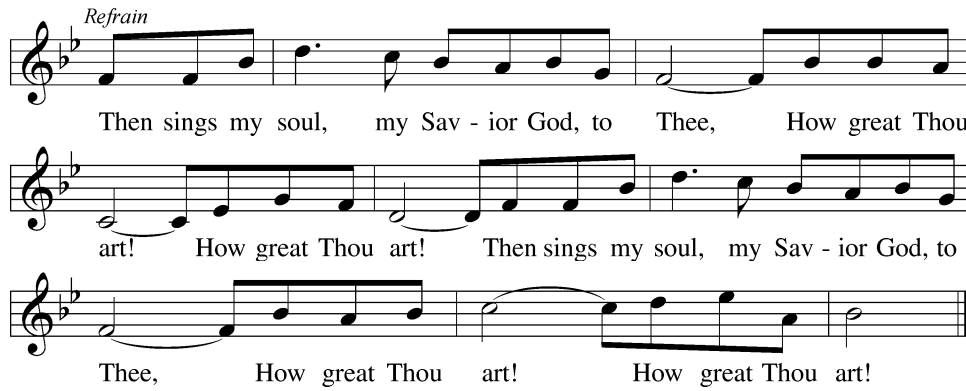
*Sit*

## Hymn # 801:3 "How Great Thou Art"



3 But when I think that God, His Son not spar - ing, Sent Him to  
 die, I scarce can take it in— That on the cross my bur-den glad - ly  
 bear - ing He bled and died to take a - way my sin;





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## Meditation

*Stand*

### Prayer:

- P** Lord Jesus, You stooped down to raise us up, sharing our nature that we may share Your eternity. By Your death, death is torn apart. By Your cross You bring the promise of resurrection. Lead us to proclaim Your victory and trust Your promises, because You have covered us with those promises and have promised to lead us into eternal glory and life. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **Hear our prayer. Amen.**

## Extinguishing of the 7<sup>th</sup> Candle

# † The Exit of the Christ Candle †

**Mark 15:42-47**

*Mark 15:42-47*

<sup>42</sup>And when evening had come, since it was the day of Preparation, that is, the day before the Sabbath, <sup>43</sup>Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the Council, who was also himself looking for the kingdom of God, took courage and went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. <sup>44</sup>Pilate was surprised to hear that he should have already died. And summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he was already dead. <sup>45</sup>And when he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the corpse to Joseph. <sup>46</sup>And Joseph bought a linen shroud, and taking him down, wrapped him in the linen shroud and laid him in a tomb that had been cut out of the rock. And he rolled a stone against the entrance of the tomb. <sup>47</sup>Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Jesus saw where he was laid.

# † The Tolling of the Bell †

## † The Strepitus †

The noise symbolizing the closing of the Book of the Law,  
the sealing of the tomb, the sacrifice complete.

# † The Re-Entrance of the Christ Candle †

**Reading: Mark 16:1-6**

*Mark 16:1-6*

<sup>1</sup>When the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. <sup>2</sup>And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. <sup>3</sup>And they were saying to one another, “*Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?*” <sup>4</sup>And looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back—it was very large. <sup>5</sup>And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe, and they were alarmed. <sup>6</sup>And he said to them, “*Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen; he is not here. See the place where they laid him.*”

## † Silent Prayer †

There will be no postlude.  
After your silent prayer, please leave quietly.  
We wait for the Third Day

*All leave in silence.*

### Prayer After Worship

*Almighty and everlasting God, You willed that Your Son should bear for us the pains of the cross and so remove from us the power of the adversary. Help us so to remember and give thanks for our Lord's passion that we may receive forgiveness of sin and redemption from everlasting death; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.*

## † Celebrate Easter †

**Sunrise Service 6:30 a.m.**

**Easter Morning Service 9:30 a.m.**

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