

PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Good Friday – March 29, 2024 – 6:30 pm

WELCOME!

We love that you are here today! Our service is printed for you in this worship folder. Or you can follow the projections on the front wall.

Restrooms are located in the hallway to the right as you exit the worship space, as well as across the hall as you enter into the school.

Quiet room Parents may use the library in the back of this worship space which still enables you to hear/see the service.

A **Connection Card** and pen are found in the pocket of the chair in front of you. Time will be provided to fill it out during the service. You may drop it in the wicker basket along the wall after the service.

DARKNESS, SILENCE, SOUND

Tenebrae means “darkness” or “shadows.” The quiet and symbolic nature of this service recalls the dread seriousness of our sin and the amazing heights of God’s love. Just think how Jesus chose to suffer all this to save us! The extinguishing of the candles and progressive dimming of the lights recalls the darkness that covered the land while Jesus hung on the cross. The loud sound recalls the stone at Jesus’ tomb. The candle returned and left burning anticipates Jesus’ Resurrection on Easter.

Please note there will be a minimum of spoken instructions to highlight the solemnity of the day.

NO BLESSING TODAY

The typical blessing at the conclusion of the service is omitted, as today’s service is considered part of one continuous observance of the culmination of our Savior’s ministry which began Maundy Thursday and concludes with the blessing as we celebrate our Lord’s Resurrection Easter Morning—6:00 am Sunrise Service, 8:00 & 10:30 am Festival Services.

SERVICE SCHEDULE

Easter Sunday	Sunrise	6:00 a.m.
	Refreshments	7:00 a.m.
	Festival Service	8:00 a.m.
	Breakfast	9:00 a.m.
	Festival Service	10:30 a.m.

The 8:00 & 10:30 services are identical.

All three Easter services will include the Lord's Supper.

There will NOT be a Monday service.

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Presider	Rev. Shaun Arndt
Worship Assistant	Kristian Schultz
Keyboard	Mrs. Cathy Gresens
Vocalist.....	Mr. Andrew Kramer

The minister and assistant enter the worship space in silence.
The Tenebrae candles are lighted.

Please stand when presider indicates.

OPENING HYMN

O Darkest Woe | CW 427

The musical score is written on three staves in G major (one sharp). The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are arranged in two columns, with the first column corresponding to the first staff and the second column to the second and third staves.

1 O dark - est woe! O tears, forth flow! Has
2 O sor - row dread! Our God is dead, up -

earth so sad a won - der? God the Fa - ther's
on the cross ex - tend - ed. There his love en -

on - ly Son now is bur - ied yon - der.
liv - ened us as his life was end - ed.

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CONFESSION

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

**If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just
and will forgive us our sins
and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

**Holy God, gracious Father,
I am sinful by nature
and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.
I have not loved you with my whole heart;
I have not loved others as I should.
I deserve your punishment both now and forever.
But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins
with his innocent suffering and death.
Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

Silence for meditation and reflection

HYMN RESPONSE

O Darkest Woe | CW 427

3 O child of woe: Who struck the blow that
4 All stained with blood the Lamb of God, the
killed our gra - cious Mas - ter? "It was I," your
Bride - groom, lies be - fore you, pour - ing out his
con - science cries, "I have wrought dis - as - ter!"
life that he may to life re - store you.

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ABSOLUTION

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

HYMN RESPONSE

O Darkest Woe | CW 427

5 O Vir - gin's Son, what you have won is
6 O Je - sus blest, my help and rest, re -

far be - yond all tell - ing: how our God, de -
gard my prayer - ful weep - ing: ush - er me through

test - ed, died, hell and dev - il fell - ing.
death and grave safe in - to your keep - ing.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

God Most Holy, look with mercy on this, your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, be given over into the hands of the wicked, and suffer death upon the cross. Keep us always faithful to him, our only Savior, who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

Amen.

Please be seated

LESSON

Isaiah 53:1-7

Who has believed our report,
and to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?

²He grew up before him like a tender shoot
and like a root from dry ground.

He had no attractiveness and no majesty.

When we saw him, nothing about his appearance made us desire him.

³He was despised and rejected by men,
a man who knew grief,
who was well acquainted with suffering.

Like someone whom people cannot bear to look at,
he was despised,
and we thought nothing of him.

⁴Surely he was taking up our weaknesses,
and he was carrying our sufferings.

We thought it was because of God

that he was stricken, smitten, and afflicted,

⁵but it was because of our rebellion that he was pierced.

He was crushed for the guilt our sins deserved.

The punishment that brought us peace was upon him,
and by his wounds we are healed.

⁶We all have gone astray like sheep.

Each of us has turned to his own way,
but the LORD has charged all our guilt to him.

⁷He was oppressed, and he was afflicted,
yet he did not open his mouth.

Like a lamb he was led to the slaughter,
and like a sheep that is silent in front of its shearers,
he did not open his mouth.

HYMN

Sweet the Moments, Rich in Blessing | CW 400:1-3,5



1 Sweet the mo - ments, rich in bless - ing, which be -
 2 Here we rest in won - der, view - ing all our
 3 Here we find the dawn of heav - en while up -
 5 Lord, in lov - ing con - tem - pla - tion fix our



fore the cross we spend, life and health and
 sins on Je - sus laid; here we see re -
 on the cross we gaze, see our tres - pass -
 hearts and eyes on you till we taste your



peace pos - sess - ing from the sin - ner's dy - ing friend.
 demp - tion flow - ing from the sac - ri - fice he made.
 es for - giv - en, and our songs of tri - umph raise.
 full sal - va - tion and your un - veiled glo - ry view.

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Silence for meditation

The first candle is extinguished.

LESSON

Zechariah 3:1-10

Then he showed me Joshua, the high priest, standing before the Angel of the LORD, and Satan was standing at his right hand to accuse him.

²The Lord said to Satan, “The LORD rebuke you, Satan! The LORD, who has chosen Jerusalem, rebuke you! Isn’t this man a burning stick plucked from a fire?”

³Now Joshua was clothed in filthy clothing and was standing in front of the Angel. ⁴Then the Angel of the LORD spoke to those who were standing in front of him: “Remove his filthy clothing.”

Then he said to Joshua, “See, I have taken your guilt away from you, so that I may clothe you in a special robe.”

⁵I said, “Let them place a clean turban on his head.” So they placed a clean turban on his head and got him dressed, while the Angel of the LORD was standing by.

⁶Then the Angel of the LORD spoke solemnly to Joshua:

⁷This is what the LORD of Armies says. If you will walk in my ways and carry out my ministry, then you will also govern my house and watch over my courts, and I will give you access among those who are standing here.

⁸Now listen, High Priest Joshua, you and your associates who sit in front of you—because these men are a sign. Look! I am going to bring my servant, the Branch. ⁹Look carefully at the stone that I placed in front of Joshua! On one stone with seven facets I will engrave an inscription, declares the LORD of Armies, and I will remove the guilt of this land in a single day.

¹⁰On that day, declares the LORD of Armies, each one of you will invite his neighbor to join him under his vine and under his fig tree.

SERMON

Zechariah 3:1-10

“A Special Robe”

HYMN

His Robes for Mine | CW 568

Vocalist will sing the first verse and refrain. Congregation will join in the remainder.



1	His robes for	mine:	O	won - der - ful	ex - change!
2	His robes for	mine:	what	cause have I	for dread?
3	His robes for	mine:	God's	jus - tice is	ap - peased.
4	His robes for	mine:	such	an - guish none	can know.



Clothed in my sin, Christ suf - fered 'neath God's rage.
God's daunt-ing law Christ mas - tered in my stead.
Je - sus is crushed, and thus the Fa - ther's pleased.
Christ, God's be - loved, con - demned as though his foe.



Draped in his right - eous - ness, I'm jus - ti - fied.
Fault - less I stand with right - eous works not mine,
Christ drank God's wrath on sin, then cried, "'Tis done!"
He, as though I, ac - cursed and left a - lone;



In Christ I live, for in my place he died.
saved by my Lord's vi - car - ious death and life.
Sin's wage is paid, pro - pi - ti - a - tion won.
I, as though he, em - braced and wel - comed home!



I cling to Christ, and mar - vel at the cost:



Je - sus for - sak - en, God es - tranged from God.



Bought by such love, my life is not my own.



My praise— my all— shall be for Christ a - lone.

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Silence for meditation

The second candle is extinguished.

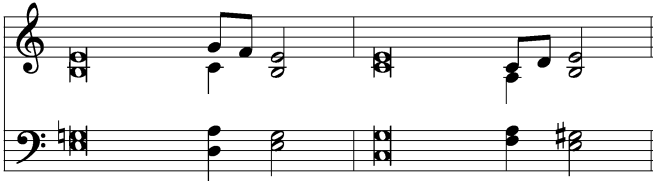
PSALM 22A

Refrain



O sa - cred head, now wound-ed, with grief and shame weighed down.

Tone



My God, my God, why have you for- / saken me?

Why are you so far from saving me, so far from my cries of / anguish?

I am a worm and / not a man,

scorned by everyone, despised by the / people.

All who see me / mock me;

they hurl insults, shaking / their heads.

"He trusts in the / LORD," they say,

"let the LORD / rescue him." *Refrain*

All my bones are / on display;

you lay me in the / dust of death.

A pack of villains en- / circles me;

they pierce my hands / and my feet.

They divide my clothes a- / mong them

and cast lots for my / garment.

But you, LORD, do not be / far from me.

You are my strength; come quickly to / help me.

Glory be to the Father and / to the Son

and to the Holy / Spirit,

as it was in the be- / ginning,

is now, and will be forever. / Amen. *Refrain*

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Silence for meditation

The third candle is extinguished.

Please stand when presider indicates.

LESSON

John 19:17-30

¹⁷Carrying his own cross, he went out to what is called the Place of a Skull, which in Aramaic is called Golgotha. ¹⁸There they crucified him with two others, one on each side, and Jesus in the middle.

¹⁹Pilate also had a notice written and fastened on the cross. It read, "Jesus the Nazarene, the King of the Jews."

²⁰Many of the Jews read this notice, because the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city, and it was written in Aramaic, Latin, and Greek.

²¹So the chief priests of the Jews said to Pilate, "Do not write, 'The King of the Jews,' but that 'this man said, 'I am the King of the Jews.'""

²²Pilate answered, "What I have written, I have written."

²³When the soldiers crucified Jesus, they took his clothes and divided them into four parts, one part for each soldier. They also took his tunic, which was seamless, woven in one piece from top to bottom. ²⁴So they said to one another, "Let's not tear it. Instead, let's cast lots to see who gets it." This was so that the Scripture might be fulfilled which says:

They divided my garments among them
and cast lots for my clothing.

So the soldiers did these things.

²⁵Jesus' mother, his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene were standing near the cross.

²⁶When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to his mother, "Woman, here is your son!" ²⁷Then he said to the disciple, "Here is your mother!" And from that time this disciple took her into his own home.

²⁸After this, knowing that everything had now been finished, and to fulfill the Scripture, Jesus said, "I thirst."

²⁹A jar full of sour wine was sitting there. So they put a sponge soaked in sour wine on a hyssop branch and held it to his mouth.

³⁰When Jesus had received the sour wine, he said, "It is finished!" Then, bowing his head, he gave up his spirit.

Please be seated

HYMN

God Was There on Calvary | CW 433



- 1 God was there on Cal - va - ry, God the Fa - ther's on - ly Son,
- 2 All the world on Cal - va - ry cru - ci - fied the Prince of life,
- 3 Sin was there on Cal - va - ry, all the sins of ev - 'ry - one,
- 4 Love was there on Cal - va - ry, stream - ing from the heart of God,



dy - ing that the world might live, there on Cal - va - ry.
 pierced the hands of God's own Son, there on Cal - va - ry.
 laid up - on God's sin - less Lamb there on Cal - va - ry.
 reach - ing out for ev - 'ry - one there on Cal - va - ry.

- 5 Life was there on Calvary,
 flowing from his wounded side,
 spent that death itself might die
 there on Calvary.
- 6 We were there on Calvary;
 we were pardoned, saved, set free,
 saved to live eternally—
 blessed Calvary!

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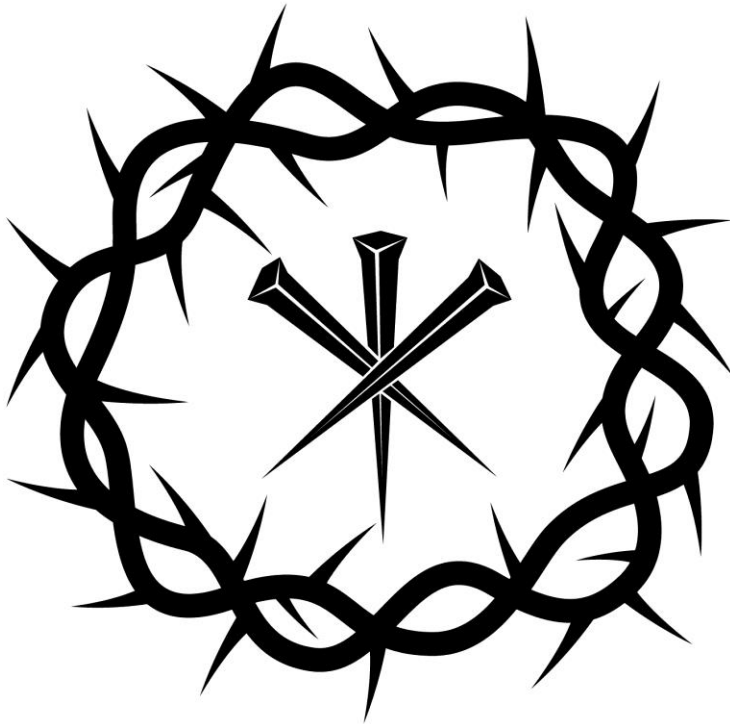
Silence for meditation

The fourth candle is extinguished.

LESSON

Hebrews 7:26-28

²⁶This is certainly the kind of high priest we needed: one who is holy, innocent, pure, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. ²⁷Unlike the other high priests, he does not need to offer sacrifices on a daily basis, first for his own sins and then for the sins of the people. In fact, he sacrificed for sins once and for all when he offered himself. ²⁸For the law appoints as high priests men who have weaknesses. But the word of the oath, which came after the law, appointed the Son, who has been brought to his goal forever.



Please stand when presider indicates.

PRAYER¹

O Christ

hear us.

God, the Father in heaven,

have mercy on us.

God, the Son, Redeemer of the world,

have mercy on us.

God, the Holy Spirit,

have mercy on us.

Be gracious to us.

Spare us, good Lord.

Be gracious to us.

Help us, good Lord.

From every sin,

from every error,

from every evil,

from the devil's lies and cunning,

from eternal death,

deliver us, good Lord.

¹ Brief Litany for Good Friday by Martin Luther

By the mystery of the holy incarnation,
by your holy birth,
by your baptism, fasting and temptation,
by your agony and bloody sweat,
by your cross and suffering,
by your death and burial,
by your resurrection and ascension,
by the coming of the Holy Spirit, the Counselor,
in all times of trouble,
in all times of prosperity,
in the hour of death,
help us, good Lord.

O Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God,
hear us. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.**

Please be seated when presider indicates.

HYMN

The Power of the Cross | CW 423

Vocalist will sing the first verse and refrain. Congregation will join in the remainder.



1 Oh, to see the dawn of the dark - est day: Christ on the
 2 Oh, to see the pain writ - ten on your face, bear - ing the
 3 Now the day - light flees; now the ground be - neath quakes as its



road to Cal - va - ry. Tried by sin - ful men,
 awe - some weight of sin. Ev - 'ry bit - ter thought,
 mak - er bows his head. Cur - tain torn in two,



torn and beat - en, then nailed to a cross of wood.
 ev - 'ry e - vil deed crown - ing your blood - stained brow.
 dead are raised to life; "Fin - ished!" the vic - t'ry cry.

Refrain



1-3 This the pow'r of the cross: Christ be -



came sin for us. Took the blame,



bore the wrath; we stand for - giv - en at the cross.

4 Oh, to see my name
written in the wounds,
for through your suff'ring I am free.
Death is crushed to death;
life is mine to live,
won through your selfless love!
(Final Refrain)

Final Refrain

This the pow'r of the cross:
Son of God—slain for us.
What a love, what a cost!
We stand forgiven at the cross.

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Silence for meditation

The fifth candle is extinguished.

THE BURIAL

Matthew 27:57-66

⁵⁷When it was evening, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who was also a disciple of Jesus. ⁵⁸He went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then Pilate ordered that it be given to him. ⁵⁹Joseph took the body, wrapped it in a clean linen cloth, ⁶⁰and laid it in his own new tomb that he had cut in the rock. He rolled a large stone over the tomb's entrance and left. ⁶¹Mary Magdalene and the other Mary were there sitting opposite the tomb.

⁶²On the next day, which was the day after the Preparation Day, the chief priests and Pharisees gathered in the presence of Pilate ⁶³and said, "Sir, we remembered what that deceiver said while he was still alive: 'After three days I will rise again.' ⁶⁴So give a command that the tomb be made secure until the third day. Otherwise his disciples might steal his body and tell the people, 'He is risen from the dead.' And this last deception will be worse than the first."

⁶⁵Pilate said to them, "You have a guard. Go, make it as secure as you know how." ⁶⁶So they went and made the tomb secure by sealing the stone and posting a guard.

HYMN

Rest, O Christ, from All Your Labor | CW 437



1 Rest, O Christ, from all your la - bor; sleep with -
2 Peace at last from all your an - guish, wounds in
3 Help us keep this sol - emn Sab - bath as we
4 As, through part - ing Red Sea wa - ters, Is - rael



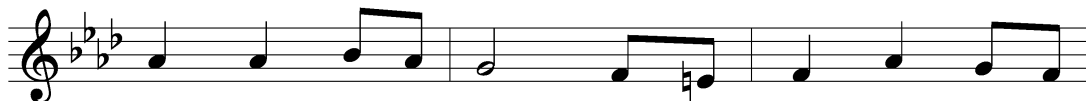
in your bor-rowed tomb. Foes have cru - ci - fied and
hands and feet and side. En - e - mies no long - er
wait for Eas - ter dawn. Earth's dark night of sin is
marched to lib - er - ty, so we pass thro' bap-tism's



bound you fast with - in death's nar - row room.
mock you, scourged, a - ban - doned, cru - ci - fied.
pass - ing; death's long reign will soon be gone.
wa - ter, washed by grace, from sin set free.



Pi - late's guards stand watch - ing, wait - ing where they
Faith - ful wom - en gath - er spic - es, weep for
Christ, in whom the new cre - a - tion ris - es
Je - sus, ris - en, liv - ing, reign - ing now and



rolled the seal - ing stone. All un - seen an - oth - er
you whom sin has slain. Though they mourn, the God who
bright - er than the sun: may we, as we watch for
through e - ter - ni - ty: grant that, through your life un -



watch - es: God will not for - sake his own.
guards you will not let your death be vain.
morn - ing, trust the vic - t'ry you have won.
dy - ing, we may live vic - to - rious - ly.

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Silence for meditation

The sixth candle is extinguished.

Behold, the Lamb of God,
who takes away the sin of the world!

Behold, the Lamb of God,
who takes away the sin of the world!

Behold, the Lamb of God,
who takes away the sin of the world!

The seventh candle is carried out.

A loud noise (strepitus) recalls the heavy stone of Christ's tomb.

VOCALIST

Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart | **CW 817:3**

*Lord, let at last thine angels come,
to Abr'ham's bosom bear me home
that I may die unfearing;
and in its narrow chamber keep
my body safe in peaceful sleep
until thy reappearing.*

*And then from death awaken me
that these mine eyes with joy may see,
O Son of God, thy glorious face,
my Savior and my fount of grace.*

*Lord Jesus Christ, my prayer attend, my prayer attend,
and I will praise thee without end.*

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*The seventh candle is returned to burn in anticipation of the
Resurrection.*

The minister exits the worship space.

*You are welcome to remain for prayer and meditation as long as
you desire before leaving quietly in keeping with the solemnity of
this day.*

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