

**GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**(Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod)**  
**Little Rock, Arkansas**  
**April 18, 2014**

## **GOOD FRIDAY**

The Divine Service for Good Friday follows a simple form. The Invocation and the Benediction are omitted, as are the invitations to pray, the salutations, and certain responses and acclamations. The Service begins with the tolling of the Church Bell and the Procession. The congregation is asked to rise as the Processional Cross enters the Sanctuary.

*All enter the church in silence.*

*Stand*

### **Tolling of the Bell**

### **Procession**

*O Dearest Jesus, What Law Hast Thou Broken - Helmut Walcha*

### **Collect of the Day**

- P** Almighty God, 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.
- C** Amen

### **Introit for Good Friday**

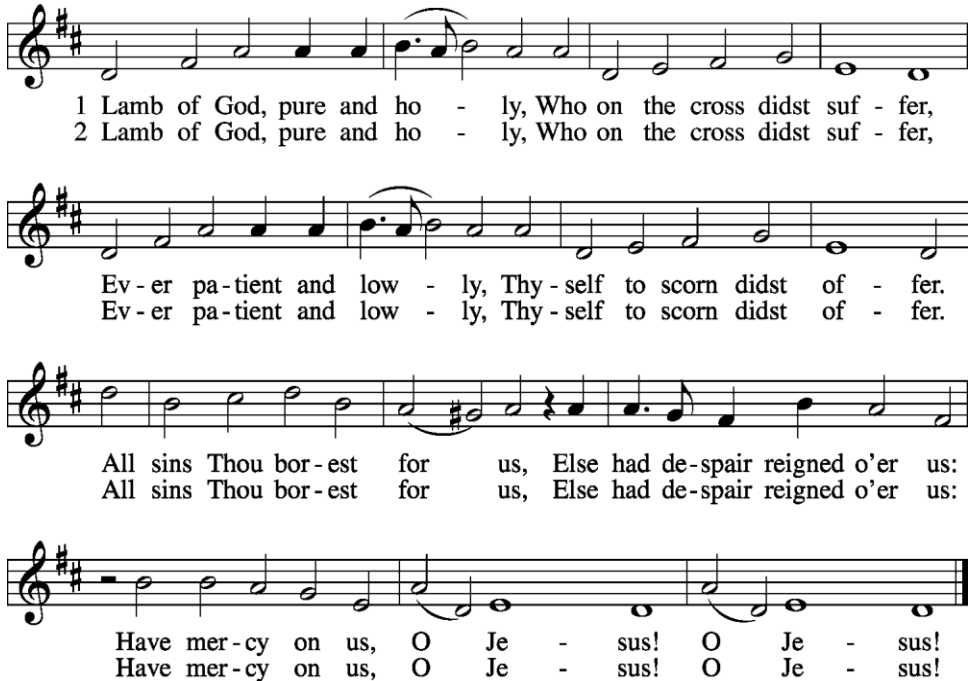
*Ps. 38:1-4, 18, 22; antiphon: Is. 53:5*

- P** He was wounded for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities;
- C** upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his stripes we are healed.
- P** O LORD, rebuke me not in your anger,
- C** nor discipline me in your wrath!
- P** For your arrows have sunk into me,
- C** and your hand has come down on me.
- P** There is no soundness in my flesh because of your indignation;
- C** there is no health in my bones because of my sin.
- P** For my iniquities have gone over my head;
- C** like a heavy burden, they are too heavy for me.

- P** I confess my iniquity;  
**C** I am sorry for my sin.  
**P** Make haste to help me,  
**C** O Lord, my salvation!  
**P** He was wounded for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities;  
**C** upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his stripes we are healed.

## Hymn: Lamb of God, Pure and Holy

LSB 434 sts. 1-2



1 Lamb of God, pure and ho - ly, Who on the cross didst suf - fer,  
 2 Lamb of God, pure and ho - ly, Who on the cross didst suf - fer,  
 Ev - er pa - tient and low - ly, Thy - self to scorn didst of - fer.  
 Ev - er pa - tient and low - ly, Thy - self to scorn didst of - fer.  
 All sins Thou bor - est for us, Else had de - spair reigned o'er us:  
 All sins Thou bor - est for us, Else had de - spair reigned o'er us:  
 Have mer - cy on us, O Je - sus! O Je - sus!  
 Have mer - cy on us, O Je - sus! O Je - sus!

Public domain

## Confession

- P** I ask you before God, who searches the heart: Do you sincerely confess that you have sinned against God and deserved His wrath and punishment? Then declare so by saying: I do confess.  
**C** I do confess.  
**P** Surely, you should confess; for Holy Scripture declares: "If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us." Do you heartily repent of all your sins committed in thought, word, and deed? Then declare so by saying: I do repent.  
**C** I do repent.

**P** Surely, you should repent, as did the penitent sinners: King David, who prayed for a contrite heart; Peter, who wept bitterly; the sinful woman; the prodigal son; and others. Do you sincerely believe that God, by grace, for Jesus' sake, will forgive you all your sins? Then declare so by saying: I do believe.


**C** I do believe.

**P** Surely, you should so believe, for Holy Scripture declares: "God so loved the world that He gave His only-begotten Son, that whosoever believes in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." Do you promise that with the aid of the Holy Spirit you will from this time forth amend your sinful life? Then declare so by saying: I do promise.

**C** I do promise.

**P** Surely, you should promise, for Christ, the Lord, says: "Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in heaven." Finally, do you believe that through me, a called servant of God, you will receive His blessed forgiveness of all your sins? Then declare so by saying: I do believe.

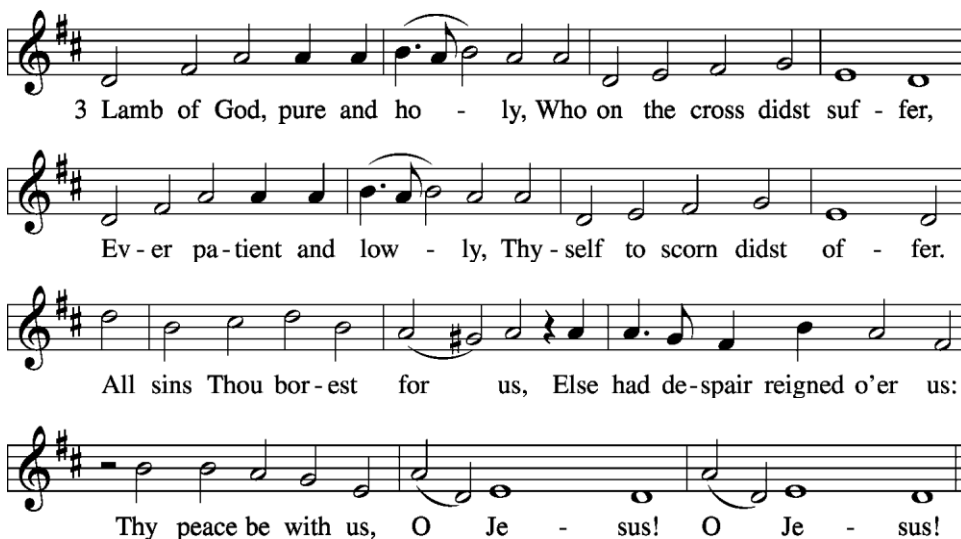
**C** I do believe.

**P** As you believe, so may it be to you. Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to 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.

**C** Amen

## Hymn: Lamb of God, Pure and Holy

LSB 434 st. 3



3 Lamb of God, pure and ho - ly, Who on the cross didst suf - fer,  
Ev - er pa - tient and low - ly, Thy - self to scorn didst of - fer.  
All sins Thou bor - est for us, Else had de - spair reigned o'er us:  
Thy peace be with us, O Je - sus! O Je - sus!

Public domain

**P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**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

## Service of the Sacrament

### Words of Our Lord

- P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  $\text{✠}$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."
- P** In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\text{✠}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."
- P** Come and receive the body and blood of the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.

*Sit*

### Distribution

**Service Note:** *For the Distribution the communicants will move single file as directed by the Ushers and receive the Sacrament on the floor level in a continuous line. The pulpit side will commune first and will return to their pews via the auxiliary aisle to the rear of the sanctuary and then down the center aisle to their seats. The lectern/center section will return via the auxiliary aisle and enter their pews from that aisle. The third section will be communed in front of their section coming down the auxiliary aisle and returning via the aisle next to the windows and entering their pews from that aisle. Both individual cups and the Common Cup will be offered during the Distribution. After receiving the host from the Pastor please move either to the Elder with the individual cups or the Vicar with the Common Cup. If partaking from the Common Cup please assist the Vicar by holding the base of the cup and tipping it to you. And acolyte will receive the empty individual cups. Children are welcome to come forward with their parents to receive a blessing from the Pastor.*

# Hymn: O Dearest Jesus, What Law Hast Thou Broken

LSB 439



1 O dear - est Je - sus, what law hast Thou bro - ken  
 2 They crown Thy head with thorns, they smite, they scourge Thee;  
 3 Whence come these sor - rows, whence this mor - tal an - guish?  
 4 What pun - ish - ment so strange is suf - fered yon - der!  
 Organ 5 The sin - less Son of God must die in sad - ness;



That such sharp sen - tence should on Thee be spo - ken?  
 With cru - el mock - ings to the cross they urge Thee;  
 It is my sins for which Thou, Lord, must lan - guish;  
 The Shep - herd dies for sheep that loved to wan - der;  
 The sin - ful child of man may live in glad - ness;



Of what great crime hast Thou to make con -  
 They give Thee gall to drink, they still de -  
 Yea, all the wrath, the woe, Thou dost in -  
 The Mas - ter pays the debt His ser - vants  
 Man for - feit - ed his life and is ac -



fes - sion, What dark trans - gres - sion?  
 cry Thee; They cru - ci - fy Thee.  
 her - it, This I do mer - it.  
 owe Him, Who would not know Him.  
 quit - ted; God is com - mit - ted.

6 There was no spot in me by sin untainted;  
 Sick with sin's poison, all my heart had fainted;  
 My heavy guilt to hell had well-nigh brought me,  
 Such woe it wrought me.

7 O wondrous love, whose depth no heart hath sounded,  
 That brought Thee here, by foes and thieves surrounded!  
 All worldly pleasures, heedless, I was trying  
 While Thou wert dying.

8 O mighty King, no time can dim Thy glory!  
How shall I spread abroad Thy wondrous story?  
How shall I find some worthy gifts to proffer?  
What dare I offer?

*Organ - 9 For vainly doth our human wisdom ponder—  
Thy woes, Thy mercy, still transcend our wonder.  
Oh, how should I do aught that could delight Thee!  
Can I requite Thee?*

10 Yet unrequited, Lord, I would not leave Thee;  
I will renounce whate'er doth vex or grieve Thee  
And quench with thoughts of Thee and prayers most lowly  
All fires unholy.

11 But since my strength will nevermore suffice me  
To crucify desires that still entice me,  
To all good deeds O let Thy Spirit win me  
And reign within me!

12 I'll think upon Thy mercy without ceasing,  
That earth's vain joys to me no more be pleasing;  
To do Thy will shall be my sole endeavor  
Henceforth forever.

13 Whate'er of earthly good this life may grant me,  
I'll risk for Thee; no shame, no cross, shall daunt me.  
I shall not fear what foes can do to harm me  
Nor death alarm me.

14 But worthless is my sacrifice, I own it;  
Yet, Lord, for love's sake Thou wilt not disown it;  
Thou wilt accept my gift in Thy great meekness  
Nor shame my weakness.

15 And when, dear Lord, before Thy throne in heaven  
To me the crown of joy at last is given,  
Where sweetest hymns Thy saints forever raise Thee,  
I, too, shall praise Thee.

Public domain

*Stand*

## Dismissal

**P** May this true body and true blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, strengthen and preserve you steadfast in true faith, to life everlasting. Depart  $\text{✠}$  in peace.

**C** Amen

## Post-Communion Collect

**P** Almighty and ever-living God, we thank You most heartily that You have fed us in these holy mysteries with the body and blood of Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ; we humbly ask You so to assist us with Your grace that we may continue as true members in the mystical body of Your Son and do the good works that You desire; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, to whom, with You and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, forever and ever.

**C** Amen

*Sit*

## Stripping of the Altar

### Hymn: Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted

LSB 451



1 Strick-en, smit-ten, and af - flict - ed, See Him dy - ing on the  
2 Tell me, ye who hear Him groan-ing, Was there ev - er grief like  
3 Ye who think of sin but light - ly Nor sup - pose the e - vil  
4 Here we have a firm foun - da - tion, Here the ref - uge of the

tree!  
His?  
great  
lost:

'Tis the Christ, by man re - ject - ed; Yes, my  
Friends through fear His cause dis - own - ing, Foes in -  
Here may view its na - ture right - ly, Here its  
Christ, the Rock of our sal - va - tion, Is the

soul, 'tis He, 'tis He!  
sult - ing His dis - tress; Man - y hands were raised to  
guilt may es - ti - mate. Mark the sac - ri - fice ap -  
name of which we boast; Lamb of God, for sin - ners

Proph - et, Da - vid's Son, yet Da-vid's Lord; Proofs I  
wound Him, None would in - ter - vene to save; But the  
point - ed, See who bears the aw - ful load; 'Tis the  
wound - ed, Sac - ri - fice to can - cel guilt! None shall  
see suf - fi - cient of it: 'Tis the true and faith - ful Word.  
deep - est stroke that pierced Him Was the stroke that jus - tice gave.  
Word, the Lord's a - noint - ed, Son of Man and Son of God.  
ev - er be con - found - ed Who on Him their hope have built.

Public domain

## Service of the Word

### Old Testament Reading

*Isaiah 52:13—53:12*

**A** The Word of the Lord.

### Gradual for Good Friday

*Heb. 9:12a, c, 15a; Ps. 111:9a*



[Christ] entered once for all into the holy places, by means of | his own blood,\*  
thus securing an eternal re- | demption.

Therefore he is the mediator of a new | covenant,\*

so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal in- | heritance.

He sent redemption to his | people;\*

he has commanded his covenant for- | ever.

### Epistle

*Hebrews 4:14–16; 5:7–9*

**A** The Word of the Lord.

*Stand*



## Verse for Good Friday

*Is. 53:4*



**P** Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our | sorrows;\*  
yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and af- | flicted.

## Holy Gospel

*John 3:14–21*

**P** The Word of the Lord.

*Sit*

## Sermon Hymn: Jesus, in Your Dying Woes

LSB 447 sts. 19-21



19. Je - sus, all Your la - bor vast, All Your woe and con - flict past,  
20. When the death shades round us low'r, Guard us from the temp-ter's pow'r,  
21. May Your life and death sup - ply Grace to live and grace to die,



Yield - ing up Your soul at last:  
Keep us in that tri - al hour: Hear us, ho - ly Je - sus.  
Grace to reach the home on high:

Public domain  
© 1941 Concordia Publishing House. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License .NET, no. 100011479.

## Sermon

*Luke 23:46*

***“Father, Into Your Hands I Commit My Spirit”***

# Tenebrae Sequence

## Jesus is sentenced to be crucified

### Reading

*John 19:1–16*

- P** God forbid that I should glory  
**C** Except in the death of our Lord, Jesus Christ.  
**P** Almighty God, our heavenly Father, You freely forgive those who acknowledge and confess their sins. Let us not be sentenced to the punishments which we by our sins have deserved but rather absolve us and grant us grace always to serve You in holiness and pureness of living; through Jesus Christ, Your Son our Lord.  
**C** Amen

*The first candle is extinguished*

### Hymn: O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

LSB 450 st. 1



1 O sa - cred Head, now wound - ed, With grief and shame weighed down,  
Now scorn - ful - ly sur-round - ed With thorns, Thine on - ly crown.  
O sa - cred Head, what glo - ry, What bliss, till now was Thine!  
Yet, though de-spised and gor - y, I joy to call Thee mine.

© 1941 Concordia Publishing House. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License .NET, no. 100011479.  
Public domain

# Jesus is taken away for execution

## Reading

John 19:17–22

**A** We worship You, O Christ, and we bless You.

**C** By Your cross and death You have redeemed the world.

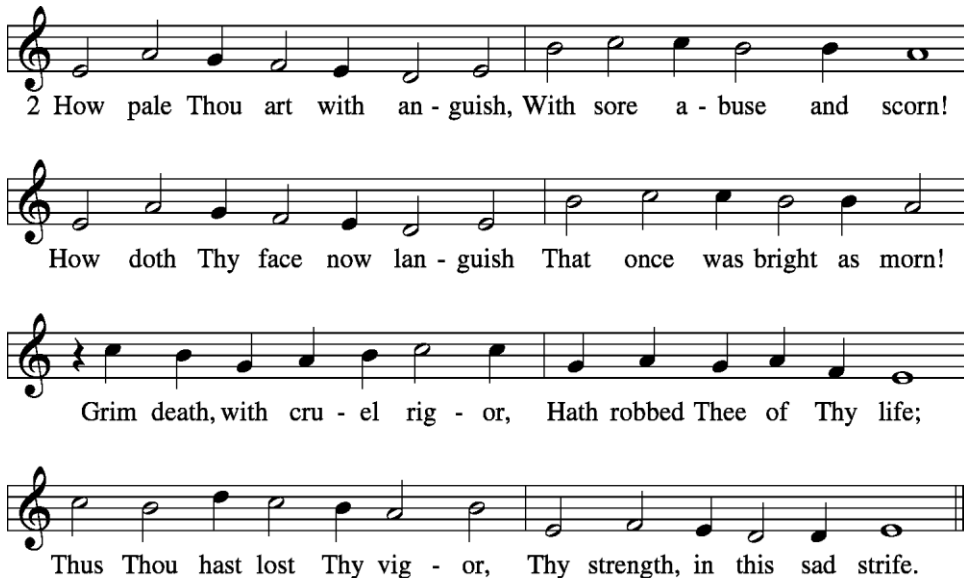
**A** O God, You know we live out our days in the midst of so many and great dangers. Walk with us along the roads of our lives that we may draw strength and support from Your abiding presence in time and for eternity, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** Amen

*The second candle is extinguished*

## Hymn: O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

LSB 450 st. 2



2 How pale Thou art with an - guish, With sore a - buse and scorn!

How doth Thy face now lan - guish That once was bright as morn!

Grim death, with cru - el rig - or, Hath robbed Thee of Thy life;

Thus Thou hast lost Thy vig - or, Thy strength, in this sad strife.

© 1941 Concordia Publishing House. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License .NET, no. 100011479.  
Public domain

# The soldiers cast lots for Jesus' garments

## Reading

John 19:23–24

**P** Humbly we adore You, O Christ, and we proclaim Your saving love.

**C** By Your holy cross and precious blood, You have redeemed the world.

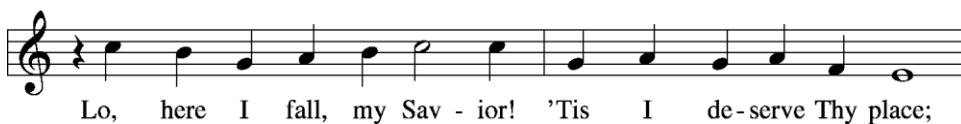
**P** Almighty and everlasting God, in Your tender love towards us, You have sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon Himself our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all people should follow the example of His great humility. Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of His patience even in the most trying of situations that we may be bringers of blessings as we daily take up our crosses to follow Him; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** Amen

*The third candle is extinguished*

## Hymn: O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

LSB 450 st. 3



© 1941 Concordia Publishing House. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License .NET, no. 100011479.  
Public domain

# Jesus, on the cross, cares for His mother

## Reading

John 19:25–27

**A** For our sakes Christ became obedient unto death.

**C** **Even the death of the cross. By the obedience of one shall many be made righteous.**

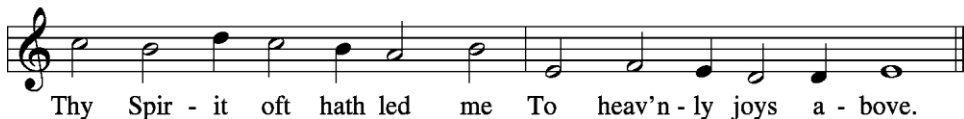
**A** Even on the cross, Lord Jesus, You kept the well-being of others on Your heart. Mercifully grant that we may so follow Your example that, through all we do in Your name, Your people may be aided and Your Church strengthened. With full confidence in You, our Lord, we pray.

**C** **Amen**

*The fourth candle is extinguished*

## Hymn: O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

LSB 450 st. 4



© 1941 Concordia Publishing House. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License .NET, no. 100011479.  
Public domain

# Jesus dies on the cross

## Reading

*John 19:28–30*

**P** Christ has provided redemption for His people.

**C** He has ordained His covenant forever.

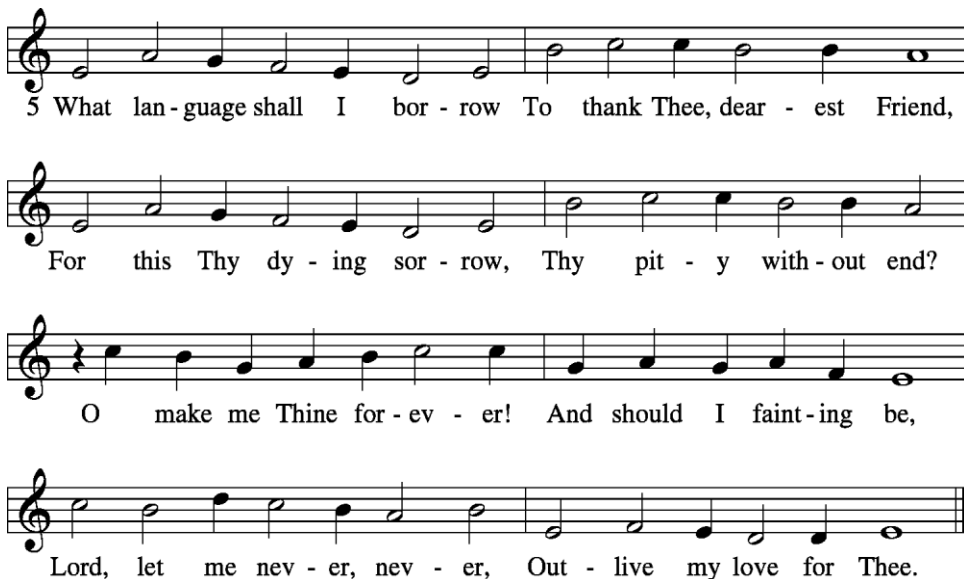
**P** O God, by the Passion of Your Son Jesus, You have made an instrument of torture and death to be for us the means of life and peace according to Your saving plan. Grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ that it may be for us truly a symbol of life and of hope, of mercy and of forgiveness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord.

**C** Amen

*The fifth candle is extinguished*

## Hymn: O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

LSB 450 st. 5



5 What lan - guage shall I bor - row To thank Thee, dear - est Friend,  
For this Thy dy - ing sor - row, Thy pit - y with - out end?  
O make me Thine for - ev - er! And should I faint - ing be,  
Lord, let me nev - er, nev - er, Out - live my love for Thee.

© 1941 Concordia Publishing House. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License .NET, no. 100011479.  
Public domain

## A witness to Jesus' death

### Reading

John 19:31–37

- A** He was oppressed, and He was afflicted, yet He opened not His mouth;  
**C** And the Lord has laid on Him the iniquity of us all.

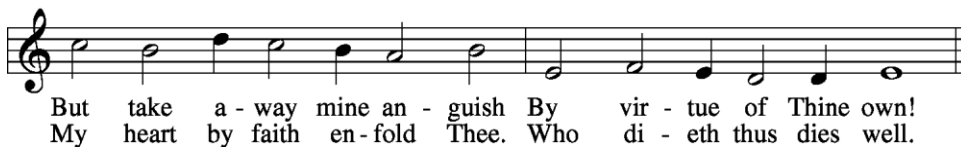
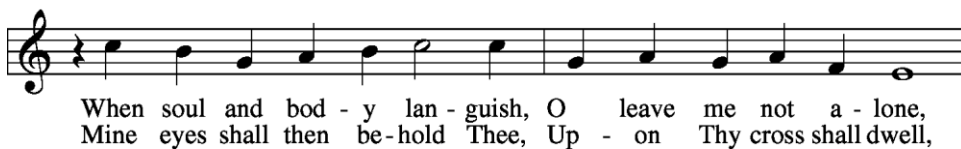
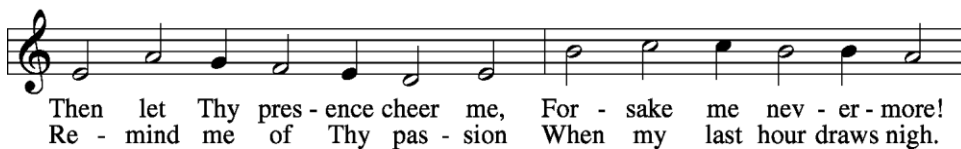
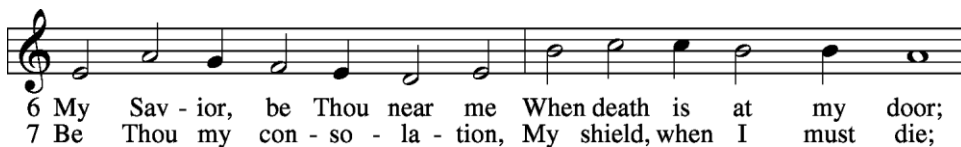
- A** Almighty and everlasting God, who has willed that Your Son should bear for us the pains of the cross that You might remove from us the power of the adversary, help us so to remember and give thanks for our Lord's Passion that we may obtain remission of sins and redemption from everlasting death; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord.

- C** Amen

*The sixth candle is extinguished*

### Hymn: O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

LSB 450 sts. 6-7



© 1941 Concordia Publishing House. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License .NET, no. 100011479.  
Public domain

# The burial of Jesus

## Reading

*John 19:38–42*

- P** You will not abandon me to the grave,  
**C** **Nor will You let Your Holy One see decay.**

- P** Abide with us, Lord, for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent. Abide with us and with Your whole Church. Abide with us in the end of the day, in the end of our life, in the end of the world. Abide with us with Your grace and goodness, with Your holy Word and Sacrament, and Your strength and blessing. Abide with us when the night of affliction and temptation comes upon us, the night of fear and despair when death shall come. Abide with us and with all the faithful through time and eternity.
- C** **Amen**

*The seventh candle is extinguished. The Christ candle is taken from the chancel area.*

## Strepitus

### Solo

*Were You There (LSB 456)*

*The Christ candle is returned*

*The congregation leaves in silence anticipating the joys of Easter while contemplating the solemnity of Good Friday. Ushers will be at the exits to receive any offerings brought for this service.*



## Acknowledgments

Unless otherwise indicated, all scripture quotations are from *The Holy Bible, English Standard Version*, copyright © 2001 by Crossway Bibles, a division of Good News Publishers. Used by permission. All rights reserved. Created by Lutheran Service Builder © 2006 Concordia Publishing House.



## THOSE WHO SERVE

Pastor:	Rev. James C. Walter
Vicar:	David Witte
Director of Parish Music:	Nathan Beethe
Communion Assistant:	Gary Proud
Acolytes:	Kaylee Hammond and Abby Litwa
Crucifer:	Maxwell Baker
Soloist:	Sharon LeBlanc
Cantor:	Nathan Beethe
Ushers:	Rudy Bischof, Daniel Loyd Tim Loyd, Ed Mahnken
Greeter:	Debbie Penny
Altar Guild:	Suzanne Raddle and Wilma Richter
Nursery Attendant:	Mary Ann Dyer

### Cover Art:

The cover art for this service folder entitled “*The Death of Jesus*”  
is by James Tissot (1836–1902).

## **EASTER SUNDAY**

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

7:30 a.m. **Breakfast** in Parker Hall

8:15 a.m. **Easter Festival Divine Service** with Holy Communion

9:15 a.m. **Breakfast** in Parker Hall

10:00 a.m. **Annual Easter Egg Hunt**

The Easter Egg Hunt will start **promptly at 10:00 a.m.**

right outside of Parker Hall

for all ages up to 8 years old.

*Our thanks to Bette Bogart for hosting the Easter Egg Hunt!!*

10:45 a.m. **Easter Festival Divine Service** with Holy Communion