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## GOOD FRIDAY-APRIL 2, 2021

PARKING LOT: 12:00 & 7:00 P.M.

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## INTRODUCTION

The ancient title for this day—the triumph of the cross—reminds us that the church gathers not to mourn this day but to celebrate Christ's life-giving passion and to find strength and hope in the tree of life.

Please enter in silence

## WELCOME

**HYMN** "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" (*Please turn to attached music*)

ELW #351

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray. Merciful God,

your Son was lifted up on the cross to draw all people to himself. Grant that we who have been born out of his wounded side may at all times find mercy in him, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

## THE SEVEN LAST WORDS

## THE FIRST WORD – Luke 23: 33-34

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. <sup>34</sup>Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing.

### **Silent Meditation**

### **Prayer / Reflection**

Hymn "Ah, Holy Jesus"

ELW #349; stanza 1

(Please turn to attached music)

## THE SECOND WORD – Luke 23: 39-43

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? 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 have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." <sup>42</sup>Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." <sup>43</sup>He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

## **Silent Meditation**

## **Prayer / Reflection**

Hymn "Ah, Holy Jesus"

ELW #349; stanza 2

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## <u> THE THIRD WORD – John 19: 25-27</u>

Meanwhile, standing near 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 beside her, he said to his mother, "Woman, here is your son." <sup>27</sup>Then he said to the disciple, "Here is your mother." And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

### **Silent Meditation**

## **Prayer / Reflection**

Hymn "Ah, Holy Jesus"

ELW #349; stanza 3

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## **THE FOURTH WORD – Mark 15: 33-34**

When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. <sup>34</sup>At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?" which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"

#### **Silent Meditation**

#### **Prayer / Reflection**

Hymn "Ah, Holy Jesus"

ELW #349; stanza 4

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#### THE FIFTH WORD – John 19:28

After this, when Jesus knew that all was now finished, he said (in order to fulfill the scripture), "I am thirsty."

#### **Silent Meditation**

#### **Prayer / Reflection**

Hymn "Ah, Holy Jesus"

(Please turn to attached music)

ELW #349; stanza 5

#### THE SIXTH WORD - John 19: 29-30

A jar full of sour wine was standing there. So they put a sponge full of the wine on a branch of hyssop and held it to his mouth. <sup>30</sup>When Jesus had received the wine, he said, "It is finished." Then he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

#### **Silent Meditation**

#### **Prayer / Reflection**

Hymn "Were You There"

ELW #353; LBW # 92; stanzas 1-2 (Please turn to attached music)

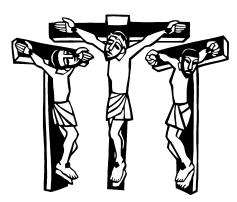
#### THE SEVENTH WORD – Luke 23:46

Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said, "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit." Having said this, he breathed his last.

#### **Silent Meditation**

**Prayer / Reflection** 

#### **Bringing Our Sins to the Cross**



## SOLEMN REPROACHES

O my people, O my church, what have I done to you? How have I offended you?

Answer me.

I led you out of slavery into freedom,

and delivered you through the waters of rebirth,

but you have prepared a cross for your Savior.

## Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.

O my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you? Answer me.

Forty years I led you through the desert,

feeding you with manna on the way;

I saved you from the time of trial and gave you my body, the bread of heaven, but you have prepared a cross for your Savior.

## Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.

O my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you? Answer me.

I led you on your way in a pillar of cloud and fire,

but you led me to the judgment hall of Pilate;

I guided you by the light of the Holy Spirit,

but you have prepared a cross for your Savior.

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.

O my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you? Answer me.

I planted you as my fairest vineyard, but you brought forth bitter fruit; I made you branches of the vine and never left your side, but you have prepared a cross for your Savior.

# Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.

O my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you? Answer me.

I poured out saving water from the rock,

but you gave me vinegar to drink;

I poured out my life and gave you the new covenant in my blood, but you have prepared a cross for your Savior.

## Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.

O my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you? Answer me.

I gave you a royal scepter, but you gave me a crown of thorns; I gave you the kingdom and crowned you with eternal life, but you have prepared a cross for your Savior.

# Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.

O my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you? Answer me.

I struck down your enemies, but you struck my head with a reed; I gave you my peace, but you draw the sword in my name, and you have prepared a cross for your Savior.

# Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.

O my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you? Answer me.

I opened the waters to lead you to the promised land,

but you opened my side with a spear;

I washed your feet as a sign of my love,

but you have prepared a cross for your Savior.

# Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.

O my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you? Answer me.

I lifted you up to the heights,

but you lifted me high on a cross;

I raised you from death and prepared for you the tree of life, but you have prepared a cross for your Savior.

## Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.

O my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you? Answer me.

I grafted you into my people Israel,

but you made them scapegoats for your own guilt,

and you have prepared a cross for your Savior.

## Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.

O my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you? Answer me.

I came to you in the least of your brothers and sisters,

but I was hungry and you gave me no food,

thirsty and you gave me no drink,

a stranger and you did not welcome me,

naked and you did not clothe me,

sick and in prison and you did not visit me,

and you have prepared a cross for your Savior.

## Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal,

have mercy on us.

Worship continues Sunday morning at 8:00 am, 9:30 am and 11:00 am.



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#### HYMN "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded"



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Hymn "Ah, Holy Jesus"



Text: Johann Heermann, 1585–1647; tr. Robert Bridges, 1844–1930, alt. Music: HERZLIEBSTER JESU, Johann Crüger, 1598–1662 Public Domain Hymn "Were You There"



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