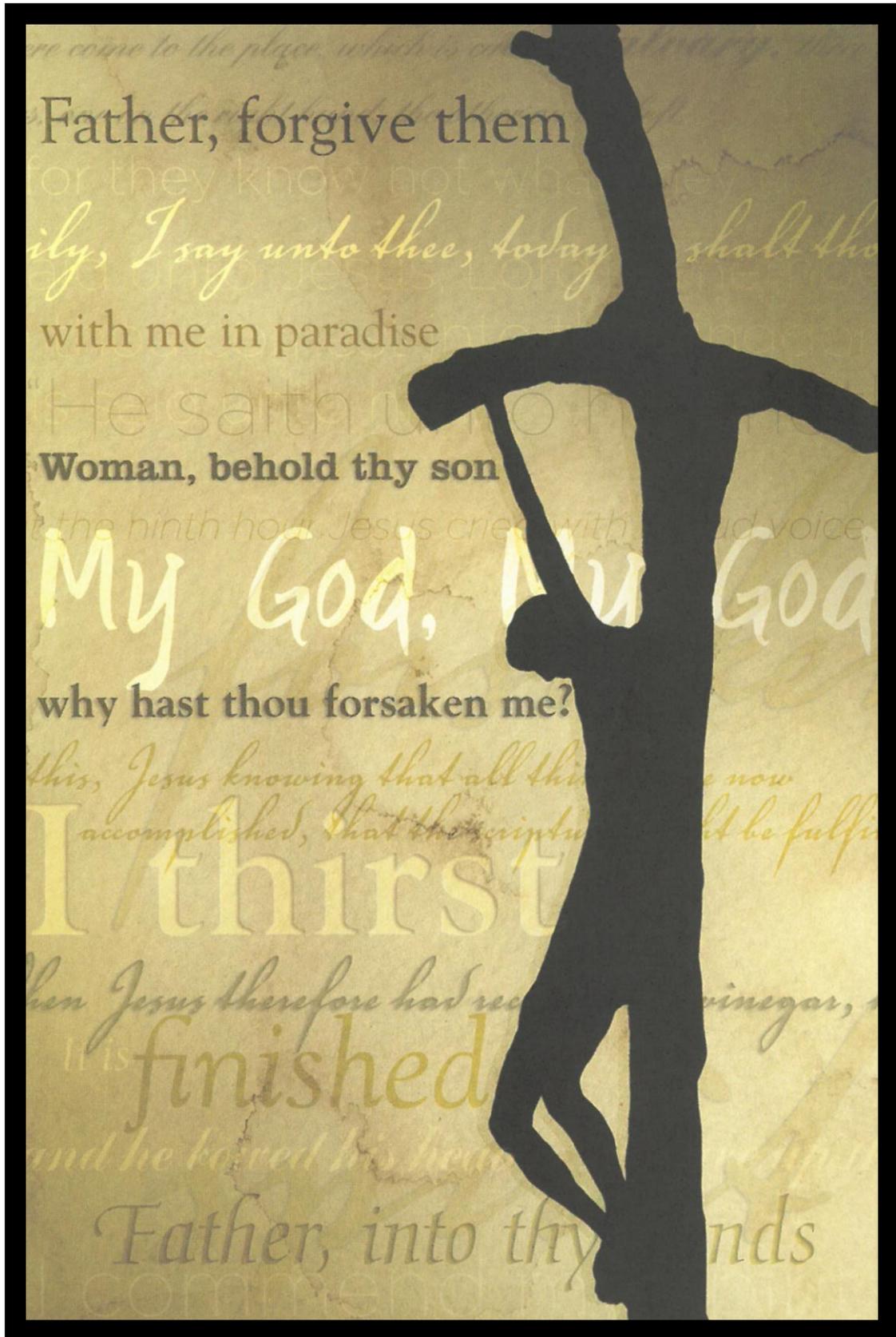


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GOOD FRIDAY WORSHIP

On this day the church gathers to hear the proclamation of the Passion, to pray for the life of the world, and to meditate on the life-giving cross. The ancient title for this day--the triumph of the cross--reminds us that the church gathers to offer thanksgiving for the wood of the tree on which hung our salvation.

GOD'S LOVE IS SHOWN

THE SEASON OF LENT

“Sacrificial Love”

ORDER OF WORSHIP

(Stand as you are able)*

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

✠WE SHARE IN THE LAST SUPPER✠

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ

*Apostolic Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And with you also.

In the name of the Father,

Who gave up his only Son.

And of the Son,

Who gave up perfection to suffer and die.

And of the Holy Spirit,

Who calls to mind our Lord's passion and fills us with peace. Amen! Amen! Amen!

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

This Good Friday we cannot help but acknowledge that it was our sinfulness that hung him on the cross. We cannot blame it on anyone else.

It is our fault, our own fault, our own most grievous fault.

We come to the Father on this most solemn of Fridays to confess our guilt.

(Silence for reflection on God's Word and self-examination)

Heavenly Father,

I, a poor miserable sinner confess to you all my sins and iniquities. I have not loved you with my whole heart. I have not kept your Son's command to love others. I have not done the good you demand, but instead I have done the evil you forbid. It is my sin that made it necessary for him to go to the cross.

On account of his sinless suffering and death we boldly throw ourselves at your feet and ask for your mercy upon our souls.

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Amen.

***EXPERIENCING GOD’S GRACE – THE GOOD NEWS**

God has heard your cry for mercy! It is because of his great love for you that he sent his Son to die. Christ’s sacrificial love is the reason your sins are forgiven. As a called and ordained 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! Amen! Amen!

Opening Song

“One Bread, One Body”

ELW # 496

Refrain

*One bread, one body, one Lord of all;
one cup of blessing which we bless,
and we, though many throughout the earth,
we are one body in this one Lord.*

*Gentile or Jew, servant or free,
woman or man, no more. Refrain*

*Many the gifts, many the works,
one in the Lord of all. Refrain*

*Grain for the fields, scattered and grown,
gathered to one for all. Refrain*

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Communion Blessing

TENEBRAE WORSHIP

*Where there is forgiveness of these,
there is no longer any offering for sin. Hebrews 10:18*

Song

“Lamb of God”

ELW # 336

*Your only Son, no sin to hide,
But you have sent him from your side
To walk upon this guilty sod
And to become the Lamb of God*

*Refrain O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God,
I love the holy Lamb of God.
Oh, wash me in your precious blood,
My Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God*

*Your gift of love we crucified
We laughed and scorned him as he died
The humble king we named a fraud
And sacrificed the Lamb of God
Refrain*

*I was so lost I should have died
But you have brought me to your side
To be led by your staff and rod
And to be called a lamb of God
Refrain*

Message

Sacrificial Love

Scripture Reading

Mark 14:32-42

A first candle is extinguished.

Song

“Jesus, Remember Me”

ELW # 616

*Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.
Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.*

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Scripture Reading

Mark 14:43-50

A second candle is extinguished.

Song

“Ah, Holy Jesus”

(vss. 1, 3) # 123

*Ah, holy Jesus, how hast thou offended
that man to judge thee hath in hate pretended?
By foes derided, by thine own rejected,
O most afflicted.*

*Lo, the Good Shepherd for the sheep is offered;
the slave hath sinnèd, and the Son hath suffered;
for man’s atonement, while he nothing heedeth,
God intercedeth.*

Scripture Reading

Mark 14:66-72

A thrid candle is extinguished.

Song

“Ah, Holy Jesus”

(vss. 2, 4) # 123

*Who was the guilty? Who brought this upon thee?
Alas, my treason, Jesus, hath undone thee.
'Twas I, Lord Jesus, I it was denied thee;
I crucified thee.*

*For me, kind Jesus, was thine incarnation,
thy mortal sorrow, and thy life’s oblation;
thy death of anguish and thy bitter passion,
for my salvation.*

Scripture Reading

Mark 14:53-65

Mark 15:1-152

A fourth candle is extinguished.

Song

“In the Hour of Trial”

106

*In the hour of trial, Jesus, plead for me,
lest by base denial I depart from thee.
When thou seest me waver, with a look recall;
nor from fear or favor suffer me to fall.*

*With forbidden pleasures should this vain world charm,
or its sordid treasures spread to work me harm,
bring to my remembrance sad Gethsemane,
or, in darker semblance, cross-crowned Calvary.*

*Should thy mercy send me sorrow, toil, and woe,
or should pain attend me on my path below,
grant that I may never fail thy hand to see;
grant that I may ever cast my care on thee.*

Scripture Reading

Mark 15:21-32

A fifth candle is extinguished.

Song

“Were You There”

(vs. 1) # 92

*Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?*

Text: African American spiritual

Scripture Reading

Mark 15:33-39

A sixth candle is extinguished.

Song

“Were You There”

(vs. 2) # 92

*Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?*

Text: African American spiritual

Scripture Reading

Mark 15:42-47

A seventh candle is extinguished.

“Were You There”

(vs. 3) # 92

*Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?*

Text: African American spiritual

PROCESSION AND ADORATION OF THE CROSS

The cross is carried in and placed in the chancel. The following response will be said three times: as the procession begins, halfway to the altar, and as the cross is placed in front of the communion rail.

P: Behold, the life-giving cross on which was hung the salvation of the whole world.

C: **Oh, come, let us worship him.**

Bell tolls five times.

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Silence – *A time of reflection and meditation*

P: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

C: **By your holy cross you have redeemed the world.**

Bell tolls one time.

The Christ Candle is Extinguished

Veiling of the Cross

Silence – *A time of reflection and meditation*

The Lord’s Prayer (*whispered by all*)

The Stepitus (*symbolizing the closing of the tomb*)

Please leave in silence.

✠ THANKSGIVING ✠

God invites us to respond to His grace

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EASTER SUNDAY WORSHIP

Sunday, Ap



- 7:00 am Easter Sunrise “**He is Not Here**” Bethany
- 7:00 am Easter Sunrise – Immanuel
- 9:00 am Easter Festival – Silver Lake
- 10:30 am Easter Festival – Lunder
- 10:30 am Easter Festival “**He is Not Here**” Wbg

HE IS RISEN

Truth in a Post-truth World

Each year the editors of the *Oxford English Dictionary* at Oxford University nominate a word that characterizes the year in a way no other word can. In a landscape blooming with new and previously unimaginable media platforms, 2016's word was *post-truth*. The organization cited the ways that truth is now thought to be shifted and shaped by emotion, and the difficult task of pinning down truth in a world bustling with emerging communication technologies and constant production of information.

In our gospel for Good Friday, we learn that perhaps "post-truth" is not so new after all. Indeed, we meet Pilate in a post-truth moment. Before him stands a man, Jesus, who has been betrayed, handed over to his enemies, arrested, and beaten. We sense that Pilate has a hunch this man is innocent, but his world of scapegoating and power games cannot recognize innocence or guilt or even justice: it simply screams for blood. "What is truth?" Pilate barks (John 18:38), not so much at Jesus but at the reality of the unfolding despair and cynicism around him, suffocating him. Pilate's superiors in Rome would probably belittle him for thinking twice about executing a rabble-rouser like Jesus.

This moment in John's gospel is the story's epicenter of despair. It is the epicenter of hopelessness and cynicism, the juncture at which the forces of death attempt a coup d'état against the forces of life.

In the haze and trauma of moments like this it is easy to feel like truth is fleeting. Yet John's gospel began with a reminder that Jesus is God's *true* light, and that "the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it" (John 1:5). This is the word of truth that pierces us even in our most hopeless moments, even when Jesus' words "It is finished" (John 19:30) seem so final. It is a word of truth we carry together into Good Friday, a word spoken most truthfully in our most despairing days of a post-truth world.