



Good Friday Service

Guided to Sacrifice

March 29, 2024

*But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins,
he sat down at the right hand of God. Hebrews 10:12*

Opening Hymn "O Perfect Life of Love" LSB 452 vrs. 1,2,4 & 5

Invocation and Call to Worship

P: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

P: Jesus' ancestor, David the psalmist, foretold by divine inspiration the suffering and sacrifice of his descendant Jesus, the Lamb of God. Nailed to the cross, Jesus prayed using words from the prophetic psalm: "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Why are you so far from saving me, from the words of my groaning? All who see me mock me; they make mouths at me; they wag their heads;

C: 'He trusts in the Lord; let him deliver him; let him rescue him, for he delights in him!'...

P: For dogs encompass me; a company of evildoers encircles me;

C: They have pierced my hands and feet I can count all my bones

P: They stare and gloat over me;

C: They divide my garments among them, and for my clothing they cast lots...

P: 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: For kingship belongs to the Lord, and he rules over the nations."

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

Confession and Forgiveness

P: Let us confess our sins to God and ask his forgiveness.

C: Almighty God, we have sinned against you in our thoughts, words and actions. We seek to satisfy our own selfish desires. We listen to the temptations of the world around us instead of following your Word and ways. We do not love others as we should. Have mercy on us, and forgive us.

P: God, in his grace and mercy, sent his Son into the world as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the world. “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” (Isaiah 53:6). I announce to you that your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

C: With his wounds we are healed.

Special Music performed by Adult Choir

“**Forsaken**” by Dan Forrest. Ann Cowley playing Cello

Prayer of the Day

P: Lord Jesus... hear our prayer and accept our praise. Amen.

Hymn “Upon the Cross Extended” LSB 453 vrs. 1,5,7

Old Testament Reading ... Isaiah 53:6-9

Epistle Reading ... Hebrews 10:12-14

Gospel Reading ... John 19:31-35

Hymn of the Day “Not All the Blood of Beasts” LSB 1-2, 4-5

Sermon

Apostles’ Creed

Offering & Attendance/Involvement Cards

Prayers

P: (*after each petition*)... who takes away the sin of the world,

C: Have mercy on us, and hear our prayer.

Hymn “Lamb of God, Pure and Holy” LSB 434

Lord’s Prayer (Spoken Softly)

The Blessing

P: Now may the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times in every way. The Lord be with you all.

C: Amen.

The Removal of the Christ Candle

Youth Drama with Music “Were You There”

Strepitus

(A great noise symbolizes the closing of Christ’s tomb.)

(Leave in silence.)

March 31 – Easter Sunday Services 6:30 AM, 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM
(Easter Breakfast in Gym 7:30 AM – 10:00 AM)