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April 2, 2021 Good Friday Worship Service 7 PM

Evening Prayer with Communion

We are on Zoom and have established an 800 number for those who wish to use their phone to connect and not be charged long distance. Our weekly invitation link can also be used by Wi-Fi connection. The Zoom computer connection or 800 number is a good way for you to have our service available to you and your family and friends. **1(888) 788-0099** is the free 800 phone number . For Easter Sunday worship the meeting ID is 886 7604 5376, no personal ID is required. Just hit the # sign when asked for personal ID. If you have a smart phone you can enter with video connection or not. If you do not get in please call 385-234-1931 before 10 AM and I will try to help you connect.

The easiest way to come on Zoom by computer or smart phone is to have an invitation email with a link. You will need to send your email address to me or Susan, so we can send out an invitation with a link to our meeting. If you notice someone missing from the email addresses in your email or want to invite someone you know, either forward this to them or send an email to Susan Roberts or Pastor Hank so we can include them in our ongoing email invitations if they desire.

We are privileged and commanded by God to worship Him. Worship is the highest art form and good work that humans can do before and with God. Worship brings us into God's presence, where we first confess our sins and receive His forgiveness to enter His presence as well as receive His blessings for life now and in eternity. Worship establishes and maintains eternal fellowship with God. Worship is not an entertainment activity. Do not sit back and watch; true worship requires your active participation. Even while muted, sing the hymns and speak the responses, prayers and confessions.

Using Zoom: Because of the second to second and a half lag-time between you and the source of the music or leading voice, unison participation requires us to mute our mic or phone if feature available, or cover the mouth piece. **Only one voice should be heard responding to avoid confusion.** Our joyful noise is certainly heard by our Lord, but it is distracting to our worship concentration and then added to the lag time we become like the Tower of Babel. Remember, worship is not worship unless you are involved in the worship acts, so don't just watch, -- join in, listen and participate. Sing muted.

You will have opportunity to speak to and greet each other both before and after worship. The actual worship will start at 10 AM, but we will establish our meeting for you to connect at or after 9:45 AM. You will come into the waiting room and be brought in by the host or co-host ASAP. Your wait time will be very short. Please join us.

We are opening the Church up for normal in house worship. We need to social distance and wear a mask, but you are encouraged to come and worship. The Lord's Supper is offered at the end of every worship service. Our plan is also to continue to offer the zoom service even when back to normal. Please use the front door of the church to enter and exit. We will continue to isolate our school from the church for the time being.

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TENEBRAE /WITH COMMUNION

The service of Tenebrae follows a tradition of the church dating back to perhaps as early as the 5th, century. It dramatizes the suffering, death, and burial of Jesus Christ. The service moves from light to darkness, with the diminishing light symbolizing the fading devotion of the apostles and the descent of our Lord into death for our sins. As you leave this service tonight the offering will be taken at the door. The Passover covenant our Lord celebrates with His disciples on Thursday has become the New Covenant signed in His blood. The sacrifice of His life on Good Friday seals the promises made by God centuries earlier. Jesus, the Son of God, is dead; there is nothing more to do but to wait--for the day of Resurrection! And as our Lord arises from the tomb, we see the covenant promises delivered for us and all who rely on His death and resurrection for our salvation. It is hoped that each person present will become more aware of the sadness and despair that were evident before and during the crucifixion because of our sins. At the end of the service the worship center is darkened. There is no benediction; each person is asked to leave silently as (s)he contemplates the great gift of eternal life Jesus buys for us through His crucifixion. He has promised that within three days He will take back His life and that Resurrection Joy will be ours.

Invocation:

P: We worship in the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

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.

CALL TO EVENING WORSHIP: Hymn LSB 456 "Were You There"

1. You there when they crucified my Lord/ Were you there when they crucified my Lord/ Oh...Some-times it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble, Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
2. 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?
3. 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?

P: Almighty God, graciously behold this your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, to be given into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death on the cross; Who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Introit

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.

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

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Isaiah 52:13-53:12

¹³ Behold, My servant shall act wisely; He shall be high and lifted up, and shall be exalted. ¹⁴ As many were astonished at you—His appearance was so marred, beyond human semblance, and His form beyond that of the children of mankind—¹⁵ so shall He sprinkle many nations; kings shall shut their mouths because of Him; for that which has not been told them they see, and which they have not heard they understand. ^{53:1} Who has believed what he has heard from us? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed? ² For He grew up before Him like a young plant, and like a root out of dry ground; He had no form or majesty that we should look at Him, and no beauty that we should desire Him. ³ He was despised and rejected by men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief; and as one from whom men hide their faces He was despised, and we esteemed Him not. ⁴ Surely He has borne our griefs and carried out sorrows; yet we esteemed Him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. ⁵ But He was wounded for our ⁴ transgressions; He was crushed for our iniquities; upon Him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with His stripes we are healed. ⁶ 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. ⁷ He was oppressed, and He was afflicted, yet He opened not His mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so He opened not His mouth. ⁸ By oppression and judgment He was taken away; and as for His generation, who considered that He was cut off out of the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people? ⁹ And they made His grave with the wicked and with a rich man in His death, although He had done no violence, and there was no deceit in His mouth. ¹⁰ Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush Him; He has put Him to grief; when His soul makes an offering for guilt, He shall see His offspring, He shall prolong His days; the will of the LORD shall prosper in His hand. ¹¹ Out of the anguish of His soul He shall see and be satisfied; by His knowledge shall the righteous One, My Servant, make many to be accounted righteous and He shall bear their iniquities. ¹² Therefore I will divide Him a portion with the many, and He shall divide the spoil with the strong, because He poured out His soul to death and was numbered with the transgressors; yet He bore the sin of many, and makes intercession for the transgressors.

P: *This is the word of the LORD.*

C: Thank be to God.

GRADUAL: (Heb.9:12a, c, 15a; Ps.119a)

P: *Christ entered once for all into the holy places, by means of His own blood,*

C: thus securing an eternal redemption.

P: *Therefore He is the mediator of a new covenant,*

C: So that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance.

P: *He sent redemption of His people;*

C: He has commanded His covenant forever.

VERSE:

P: *Surely He has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed Him stricken, smitten by God and afflicted.*

C: **Return to the Lord your God, for He is gracious and merciful,**

P: *slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, and abounding in steadfast love.*

HOLY GOSPEL: John 19:17-37

P: *The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 19th chapter.*

C: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

So they took Jesus,¹⁷ and He went out, bearing His own cross, to the place called The Place of a Skull, which in Aramaic is called Golgotha.¹⁸ There they crucified Him, and with Him two others, one on either side, and Jesus between them.¹⁹ Pilate also wrote an inscription and put it on the cross. It read, "Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews."²⁰ Many of the Jews read this inscription for the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city, and it was written in Aramaic, in Latin, and in Greek.²¹ So the chief priests of the Jews said to Pilate, "Do not write, "The King of the Jews," but rather, "This man said, "I am King of the Jews."²² Pilate answered, "What I have written I have written."²³ When the soldiers had crucified Jesus, they took His garments and divided them into four parts, one part for each soldier, also His tunic. But the tunic was seamless, woven in one piece from top to bottom,²⁴ so they said to one another, "Let us not tear it, but cast lots for it to see whose it shall be." This was to fulfill the Scripture which say, "They divided My garments among them and for My clothing they cast lots." So the soldiers did these things,²⁵ but standing by the cross of Jesus were His mother and His mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene.²⁶ When Jesus saw His mother and the disciple whom He loved standing nearby, He said to His mother, "Woman, behold, your son!"²⁷ Then He said to the disciple, "Behold, your mother!" And from that hour the disciple took her to his own home.²⁸ After this, Jesus, knowing that all was now finished, said (to fulfill the Scripture), "I thirst."²⁹ A jar full of sour wine stood there, so they put a sponge full of the sour wine on a hyssop branch and held it to His mouth.³⁰ When Jesus had received the sour wine, He said, "It is finished," and He bowed His head and gave up His Spirit.³¹ Since it was the day of Preparation, and so that the bodies would not remain on the cross on the Sabbath (for that Sabbath was a high day), the Jews asked Pilate that their legs might be broken and that they might be taken away.³² So the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first, and of the other who had been crucified with Him.³³ But when they came to Jesus and saw that He was already dead, they did not break His legs.³⁴ But one of the soldiers pierced His side with a spear, and at once there came out blood and water.³⁵ He who saw it has borne witness—his testimony is true, and he knows that he is telling the truth—that you also may believe.³⁶ For these things took place that the Scripture might be fulfilled: "Not one of His bones will be broken."³⁷ "And again another Scripture says, "They will look on Him Whom they have pierced."

P: *This is the Gospel of the Lord.*

C: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Dramatic Reading: Pontius Pilate Remembers the Crucifixion of Jesus Reading No. 6

***(Please Rise)* LITURGY OF THE ADORATION OF THE CROSS**

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

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

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HYMN #437 vss 1 & 2 **Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed**

1. Alas! And did my Savior bleed, And did my Sov'reign die?
Would He devote that sacred head For such a worm as I?
- 2.. Was it for crimes that I had done He groaned upon the tree?
Amazing pity, grace unknown, and love beyond degree!
- 3.. Well might the sun in darkness hide And shut his glories in
When God, the mighty maker died, For His own creature's sin.

***(please be seated)* REPROACHES**

Jesus: Thus says the Lord: What have I done to you, O My people, and wherein have I offended you? Answer Me. For I have raised you up out of the prison house of sin and death, and you have delivered up your Redeemer to be scourged. For I have redeemed you from the house of bondage, and you have nailed your Savior to the cross. O My people.

**C: Holy Lord God, holy and mighty God, holy and most merciful Redeemer;
God eternal, leave us not to bitter death. O Lord, have mercy.**

Hymn #434 vs 1 "Lamb of God, Pure and Holy

1. Lamb of God, pure and holy, Who on the cross didst suffer, Ever patient and lowly,
Thyself to scorn didst offer. All Sins Thou borest for us,
Else had despair reigned o'er us: have mercy on us, O Jesus! O Jesus!

Jesus: Thus says the Lord: What have I done to you, O My people, and wherein have I offended you? Answer Me. For I have conquered all your foes, and you have given Me over and delivered Me to those who persecute Me. For I have fed you with My Word and refreshed you with living water, and you have given Me gall and vinegar to drink. O My people.

**C: Holy Lord God, holy and mighty God, holy and most merciful Redeemer; God
eternal, allow us not to lose hope in the face of death and hell. O Lord, have mercy.**

Hymn #434 vs 2 "Lamb of God, Pure and Holy"

2. Lamb of God, pure and holy, Who on the cross didst suffer, Ever patient and lowly,
Thyself to scorn didst offer. All Sins Thou borest for us,
Else had despair reigned o'er us: Have mercy on us, O Jesus! O Jesus!

Jesus: Thus says the Lord: What have I done to you, O My people, and wherein have I offended you? Answer Me. What more could have been done for My vineyard than I have done for it? When I looked for good grapes, why did it yield only bad? My people, is this how you thank your God? O My people.

**C: Holy Lord God, holy and mighty God, holy and most merciful Redeemer; God
eternal, keep us steadfast in the true faith. O Lord, have mercy.**

Hymn #434 vs 3 "Lamb of God, Pure and Holy"

3. Lamb of God, pure and holy, Who on the cross didst suffer, Ever patient and lowly, Thy-self
to scorn didst offer. All sins Thou borest for us, Else had despair reigned o'er us: Thy peace be
with us, O Jesus! O Jesus!

Hymn "The Old Rugged Cross"

Refrain:

So I'll cherish the old rugged cross Till my trophies at last I lay down: I will cling to the
old rugged cross, And exchange it some day for a crown.

- 1 On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross, The emblem of suffering and shame; And I love
that old cross where the dearest and best For a world of lost sinners was slain. **Refrain**

2. O that old rugged cross, so despised by the world, Has a wondrous attraction for me; For the dear Lamb of God left His glory above To bear it to dark Calvary. **Refrain**
3. In the old rugged cross, stained with blood so divine, A wondrous beauty I see; For 'Twas on that old cross Jesus suffered and died To pardon and sanctify me. Refrain
4. To the Old rugged cross I will ever be true, Its shame and reproach gladly bear; Then He'll call me some day to my home far away, Where His glory forever I'll share:

John 19:19-22 *(The King of the Jews.)* *(The first candle is extinguished.)*

PASTOR: Pilate also wrote an inscription and put it on the cross. It read: "Jesus of Nazareth -- the King of the Jews." Many of the Jews read this inscription, for the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city, and it was written in Aramaic, in Latin, and in Greek. So the chief priests of the Jews said to Pilate, "Do not write: "The King of the Jews," but rather, "This Man said, "I am the King of the Jews.""" Pilate answered, "What I have written I have written."

John 19:23-24 *(They divide His garments.)* *(The second candle is extinguished.)*

ELDER: When the soldiers had crucified Jesus, they took His garments and divided them into four parts, one part for each soldier, also His tunic. But the tunic was seamless, woven in one piece from top to bottom. So they said to one another, "Let us not tear it, but cast lots for it to see whose it shall be." This was to fulfill the Scripture which says: "They divided My garments among them, and for My clothing they cast lots." So the soldiers did these things.

John 19:25-27 *(Behold your son, Mother.)* *(The third candle is extinguished.)*

PASTOR: but standing by the cross of Jesus were His mother and His mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw His mother and the disciple whom He loved standing nearby, He said to His mother, "Woman," behold your son!" Then he said to the disciple, "Behold your mother!" And from that hour the disciple took her to his own home.

John 19:28-30 *(Jesus dies.)* *(The fourth candle is extinguished.)*

ELDER: After this, Jesus, knowing that all was now finished, said to fulfill the Scripture, "I thirst." A jar full of sour wine stood there, so they put a sponge full of the sour wine on a hyssop branch and held it to His mouth. When Jesus had received the sour wine, He said, "It is finished!:" and He bowed His head and gave up His spirit.

John 19:31-34 *(Blood and water)* *(The fifth candle is extinguished.)*

PASTOR: Since it was the day of preparation and so that the bodies would not remain on the cross on the Sabbath, for that Sabbath was a high day, the Jews asked Pilate that their legs might be broken and that they might be taken away.

So the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first and of the other who had been crucified with Him. But when they came to Jesus and saw that He was already dead, they did not break His legs. But one of the soldiers pierced His side with a spear, and at once there came out blood and water.

Isaiah 53:5-6 (God's Servant pierced for our transgressions.) *(The sixth candle is extinguished)*

ELDER: But He was wounded for our transgressions; He was crushed for our iniquities; upon Him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with His stripes we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned --everyone to his own way; and the Lord has laid on Him the iniquity of us all.

John 19:38-42 *(Jesus sealed in the tomb.)* *(The seventh candle is extinguished.)*

PASTOR: After these things Joseph from Arimathea, who was a disciple of Jesus, but secretly for fear of the Jews, asked Pilate that he might take away the body of Jesus, and Pilate gave him permission. So he came and took away His body.

Nicodemus also, who earlier had come to Jesus by night, came bringing a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about seventy-five pounds in weight. So they took the body of Jesus and bound it in linen cloths with the spices, as is the burial custom of the Jews. Now in the place where He was crucified there was a garden, and in the garden a new tomb in which no one had yet been laid. So because of the Jewish day of Preparation, since the tomb was close at hand, they laid Jesus there.

Isaiah 53:9-12 *(God's Servant assigned a grave with rich.)*

ELDER: And they made His grave with the wicked and with a rich man in His death, although He had done no violence, and there was no deceit in His mouth.

Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush Him; He has put Him to grief; when His soul makes an offering for guilt, He shall see His offspring; He shall prolong His days; the will of the LORD shall prosper in His hand. Out of the anguish of His soul He shall see and be satisfied; by His knowledge shall the righteous One, My Servant, make many to be accounted righteous, and He shall bear their iniquities. Therefore I will divide Him a portion with the many and He shall divide the spoil with the strong, because He poured out His soul to death and was numbered with the transgressors; yet He bore the sin of many, and makes intercession for the transgressors.

(The Christ Candle is removed, symbolizing the burying of Christ, and the Strepitus---a loud sound---is heard, symbolizing the closing and sealing of the tomb.)

Closing Prayer: Please Rise

Pastor: Father, help us to be ever aware of those events that caused Jesus to be taken to the cross. As we become mindful of those who confronted Him with betrayal, denial, rejection, injustice, torture, ridicule and mockery, we realize that these same traits are found in our lives. Help us especially on this Good Friday to reexamine our inner selves as we reflect upon the lives of those who failed our Savior. Realizing that we have crucified Him anew, grant us forgiveness and cleanse our lives of sin. Uplift us that we might see beyond the shadows of the cross and find the Spirit of Him who truly is the light of the world, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Cong: Amen.

**All: JESUS CHRIST IS THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD,
THE LIGHT NO DARKNESS CAN OVERCOME!**

(The Christ Candle is returned.)

Pastor: (Takes the Fire off the Christ Candle and delivers it to the eternal flame.)

Jesus said as recorded in Lk.23:46, "Father into Your hands I commit My Spirit!"

Pastor: With only the glimmer of the Eternal Flame, we sit and contemplate God's great love for us as seen in Christ's suffering and death on the cross. Wait in expectant hope in the words of our Lord that within three days He would rise from the dead. He committed His Spirit to God. God will preserve and restore Him.

(There is no Benediction; our worship continues on Easter Morning. Please maintain silence while departing. The offering is taken as you leave the church. Christ's love and forgiveness goes with you and may it always strengthen you. You may sit and meditate. You will not be ushered out. This will allow you to pick your time to leave.)

[The Communion for those present will take place immediately after this service]

Communion Service Begins: *(please rise)*

P: The Lord be with you.

C: and also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P: Let us confess our faith using the words of the Apostles' Creed.

C: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried.

He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life (+) everlasting, Amen.

Prayer of Thanksgiving:

P: Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

P: Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION:

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 (+) 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 (+) blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST:

P: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

C: Amen, Come Lord Jesus.

P: O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb,

Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray always for your grace and mercy.

C: Amen.

Distribution:

Distribution Blessing:

Post Communion Collect:

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and (+) give you peace.

C: Amen.