



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

+ *Isaiah 53:4*

## GOOD FRIDAY

April 2, 2021

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

From Holy Thursday, we move to Good Friday, the second of the three-day Triduum service. This is the most solemn day of the Church Year, when we recall the death that saves us. God gave us His name as His word and bond. The saving name of God is Jesus, the incarnate Son of God who walked obediently under the Law, delivered Himself up to the bitter suffering and death of the cross, and made salvation available for all who wear that name by Baptism and faith.

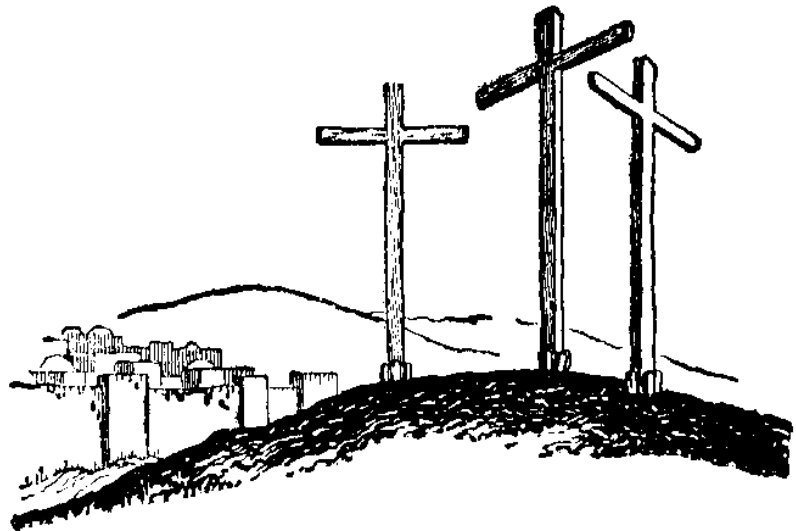
Luther reminds us that God's name was given to us to be the name we call upon in prayer and the name we raise in worship and praise. Christ's death fulfills the commandment's promise and makes His name the source of all our hopes of salvation. "[F]or there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved" (Acts 4:12b).

The service of Tenebrae (meaning "darkness") consists of extinguishing the church lights. It is a reminder of the darkness that came over the land as Christ hung on the cross and the greater darkness that occurred when the Author of Life was put to death. The loud noise heard at the end of this service is called the "strepitus." It has various interpretations: the scourging by the soldiers, the earthquake that shook Jerusalem at the moment of Christ's death, and the closing of the tomb.

But the service on Good Friday is no funeral for Christ! Yes—it is a day of repentance over sin; but more than this, it is a day of restrained joy and praise for the redemption Christ accomplished for us on the cross. The bonds that hold Christ in death and the restrains on our joy and praise will soon be loosed on the third day...

We begin the service tonight by gathering in silent contemplation of our Lord's Passion.

Yours in Christ Jesus,  
+Pastor Griebenaw



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# ✠ GOOD FRIDAY TENEBRAE VESPERS ✠

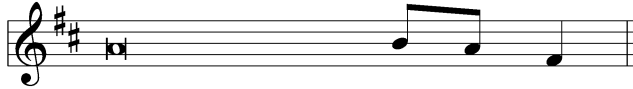
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## OPENING VERSICLES

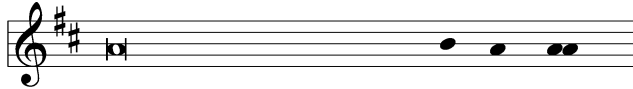
Psalm 51:5; Psalm 70:1



**L** O Lord, o - pen my lips,



**C** and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.



**L** Make haste, O God, to de - liv - er me;



**C** make haste to help me, O Lord.



Praise to You, O Christ, Lamb of our sal - va - tion.

Sit

## THE PASSION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

### HYMN: O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

LSB 450, sts. 1-3



1 O sa - cred Head, now wound-ed, With grief and shame weighed down,  
2 How pale Thou art with an - guish, With sore a - buse and scorn!  
3 What Thou, my Lord, hast suf - fered Was all for sin - ners' gain;



Now scorn - ful - ly sur-round-ed With thorns, Thine on - ly crown.  
How doth Thy face now lan-guish That once was bright as morn!  
Mine, mine was the trans-gres-sion, But Thine the dead - ly pain.



O sa - cred Head, what glo - ry, What bliss, till now was Thine!  
Grim death, with cru - el rig - or, Hath robbed Thee of Thy life;  
Lo, here I fall, my Sav - ior! 'Tis I de - serve Thy place;



Yet, though de - spised and gor - y, I joy to call Thee mine.  
Thus Thou hast lost Thy vig - or, Thy strength, in this sad strife.  
Look on me with Thy fa - vor, And grant to me Thy grace.

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**P** The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint John, the nineteenth chapter.

<sup>1</sup>So then Pilate took Jesus and scourged Him. <sup>2</sup>And the soldiers twisted a crown of thorns and put it on His head, and they put on Him a purple robe. <sup>3</sup>Then they said, "Hail, King of the Jews!" And they struck Him with their hands. <sup>4</sup>Pilate then went out again, and said to them, "Behold, I am bringing Him out to you, that you may know that I find no fault in Him." <sup>5</sup>Then Jesus came out, wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe. And Pilate said to them, "Behold the Man!" <sup>6</sup>Therefore, when the chief priests and officers saw Him, they cried out, saying, "Crucify Him, crucify Him!" Pilate said to them, "You take Him and crucify Him, for I find no fault in Him." <sup>7</sup>The Jews answered him, "We have a law, and according to our law He ought to die, because He has made Himself the Son of God." <sup>8</sup>Therefore, when Pilate heard that saying, he was the more afraid, <sup>9</sup>and went again into the Praetorium, and said to Jesus, "Where are You from?" But Jesus gave him no answer. <sup>10</sup>So Pilate said to Him, "Are You not speaking to me? Do You not know that I have power to crucify you, and power to release You?" <sup>11</sup>Jesus answered, "You could have no power at all against Me unless it had been given you from above. Therefore the one who delivered Me to you has the greater sin."

<sup>12</sup>From then on Pilate sought to release Him, but the Jews cried out, saying, "If you let this Man go, you are not Caesar's friend. Whoever makes himself a king speaks against Caesar." <sup>13</sup>When Pilate therefore heard that saying, he brought Jesus out and sat down in the judgment seat in a place called The Pavement, but in Hebrew, Gabbatha. <sup>14</sup>Now it was the Preparation Day of the Passover, and about the sixth hour. And he said to the Jews, "Behold your King!" <sup>15</sup>But they cried out, "Away with Him, away with Him! Crucify Him!" Pilate said to them, "Shall I crucify your King?" The chief priests answered, "We have no king but Caesar!" <sup>16</sup>Then he delivered Him to them to be crucified.

*A candle is extinguished*

**HYMN: O Sacred Head, Now Wounded**

LSB 450, sts. 4-7



4 My Shep - herd, now re - ceive me; My Guard - ian, own me Thine.  
 5 What lan - guage shall I bor - row To thank Thee, dear - est Friend,  
 6 My Sav - ior, be Thou near me When death is at my door;  
 7 Be Thou my con - so - la - tion, My shield, when I must die;



Great bless - ings Thou didst give me, O Source of gifts di - vine.  
 For this Thy dy - ing sor - row, Thy pit - y with - out end?  
 Then let Thy pres - ence cheer me, For - sake me nev - er - more!  
 Re - mind me of Thy pas - sion When my last hour draws nigh.



Thy lips have of - ten fed me With words of truth and love;  
 O make me Thine for - ev - er! And should I faint - ing be,  
 When soul and bod - y lan - guish, O leave me not a - lone,  
 Mine eyes shall then be - hold Thee, Up - on Thy cross shall dwell,



Thy Spir - it oft hath led me To heav'n - ly joys a - bove.  
 Lord, let me nev - er, nev - er, Out - live my love for Thee.  
 But take a - way mine an - guish By vir - tue of Thine own!  
 My heart by faith en - fold Thee. Who di - eth thus dies well.

*Stand*

Then they took Jesus and led Him away. <sup>17</sup>And He, bearing His cross, went to a place called the Place of a Skull, which is called in Hebrew, Golgotha, <sup>18</sup>where they crucified Him, and two others with Him, one on either side, and Jesus in the center. <sup>19</sup>Now Pilate wrote a title and put it on the cross. And the writing was: JESUS OF NAZARETH, THE KING OF THE JEWS. <sup>20</sup>Then many of the Jews read this title, for the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city, and it was written in Hebrew, Greek, and Latin. <sup>21</sup>Therefore the chief priests of the Jews said to Pilate, "Do not write, 'The King of the Jews,' but, 'He said, 'I am King of the Jews.''" <sup>22</sup>Pilate answered, "What I have written, I have written."

<sup>23</sup>Then the soldiers, when they had crucified Jesus, took His garments and made four parts, to each soldier a part, and also the tunic. Now the tunic was without seam, woven from the top in one piece. <sup>24</sup>They said therefore among themselves, "Let us not tear it, but cast lots for it, whose it shall be," that the Scripture might be fulfilled which says: "They divided My garments among them, and for My clothing they cast lots." Therefore the soldiers did these things.

<sup>25</sup>Now there stood by the cross of Jesus His mother, and His mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. <sup>26</sup>When Jesus therefore saw His mother, and the disciple whom He loved standing by, He said to His mother, "**Woman, behold your son!**" <sup>27</sup>Then He said to the disciple, "**Behold your mother!**" And from that hour the disciple took her to his own home.

<sup>28</sup>After this, Jesus, knowing that all things were now accomplished, that the Scripture might be fulfilled, said, "**I thirst.**" <sup>29</sup>Now a vessel full of sour wine was sitting there; and they filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on hyssop, and put it to His mouth. <sup>30</sup>So when Jesus had received the sour wine, He said, "**It is finished!**" And bowing His head, He gave up His spirit.

<sup>31</sup>Therefore, because it was the Preparation Day, that the bodies should 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. <sup>32</sup>Then the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first and of the other who was crucified with Him. <sup>33</sup>But when they came to Jesus and saw that He was already dead, they did not break His legs. <sup>34</sup>But one of the soldiers pierced His side with a spear, and immediately blood and water came out. <sup>35</sup>And he who has seen has testified, and his testimony is true; and he knows that he is telling the truth, so that you may believe. <sup>36</sup>For these things were done that the Scripture should be fulfilled, "Not one of His bones will be broken." <sup>37</sup>And again another Scripture says, "They shall look on Him whom they pierced."

<sup>38</sup>After this, Joseph of Arimathea, being 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 the body of Jesus. <sup>39</sup>And Nicodemus, who first came to Jesus by night, also came, bringing a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about a hundred pounds. <sup>40</sup>Then they took the body of Jesus, and bound it in strips of linen with the spices, as the custom of the Jews is to bury. <sup>41</sup>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. <sup>42</sup>So there they laid Jesus, because of the Jews' Preparation Day, for the tomb was nearby.

**P** O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*A candle is extinguished*

RESPONSORY

*1 John 2:1-2; (Mark 10:33); Psalm 32:1*

*Verse* *To Refrain*

- L** 1 We have an advocate with the Fa-ther; Jesus is the propitiation for our sins.
- 2 Blessed is he whose  
transgression is for - giv - en and whose sin is put a - way.
- 3 We have an advocate with the Fa-ther; Jesus is the propitiation for our sins.

*Refrain*

**C** He was delivered up to death; He was delivered  
for the sins of the peo-ple.

*Sit*

OFFICE HYMN: A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth

LSB 438



1 A Lamb goes un - com - plain - ing forth, The  
 2 This Lamb is Christ, the soul's great friend, The  
 3 "Yes, Fa - ther, yes, most will - ing - ly I'll  
 4 Lord, when Your glo - ry I shall see And



guilt of sin - ners bear - ing And, lad - en with the  
 Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, Whom God the Fa - ther  
 bear what You com - mand Me. My will con - forms to  
 taste Your king - dom's plea - sure, Your blood my roy - al



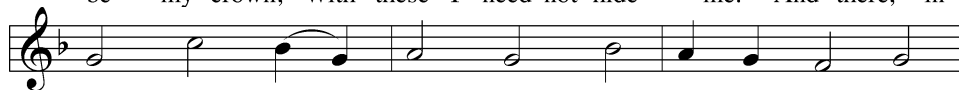
sins of earth, None else the bur - den shar - ing; Goes  
 chose to send To gain for us His fa - vor. "Go  
 Your de - cree, I'll do what You have asked Me." O  
 robe shall be, My joy be - yond all mea - sure! When



pa - tient on, grows weak and faint, To slaugh - ter led with -  
 forth, My Son," the Fa - ther said, "And free My chil - dren  
 won - drous Love, what have You done! The Fa - ther of - fers  
 I ap - pear be - fore Your throne, Your righ - teous - ness shall



out com - plaint, That spot - less life to of - fer, He bears the  
 from their dread Of guilt and con - dem - na - tion. The wrath and  
 up His Son, De - sir - ing our sal - va - tion. O Love, how  
 be my crown; With these I need not hide me. And there, in



stripes, the wounds, the lies, The mock - er - y, and  
 stripes are hard to bear, But by Your pas - sion  
 strong You are to save! You lay the One in -  
 gar - ments rich - ly wrought, As Your own bride shall



yet re - plies, "All this I glad - ly suf - fer."  
 they will share The fruit of Your sal - va - tion."  
 to the grave Who built the earth's foun - da - tion.  
 we be brought To stand in joy be - side You.

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SERMON

Rev. Griebenaw

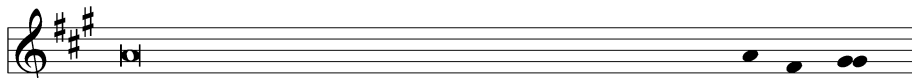
*After the sermon, the pastor may say:*

**P** The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. *Philippians 4:7*

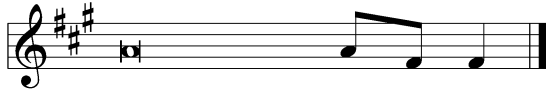
**C** Amen.

*Stand*

## ADORATION OF THE CROSS



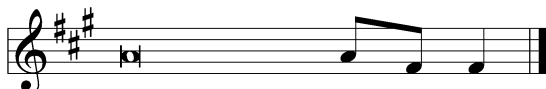
**P** Behold, the life-giving cross on which was hung the salvation of the world.



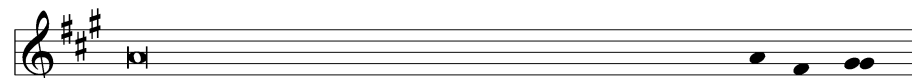
**C** O come, let us wor - ship Him.



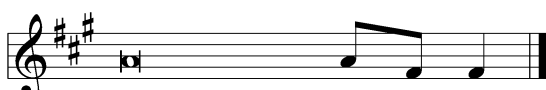
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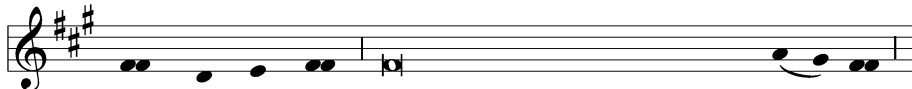
**C** O come, let us wor - ship Him.

*Sit/Kneel*

## REPROACHES

### REPROACH

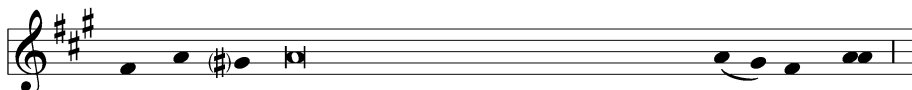
*Micah 6:3-4*



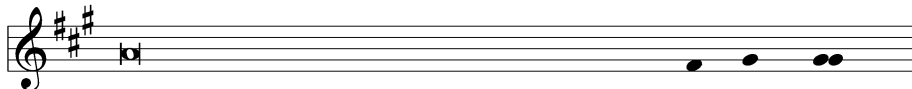
**P** Thus says the Lord: What have I done to you, O My peo - ple,



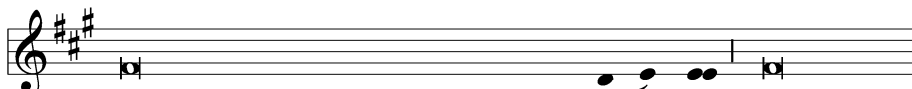
and wherein have I of - fend - ed you? An - swer Me.



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 bond - age, and you have



nailed your Sav - ior to the cross. O My peo - ple.

Ho-ly Lord God, holy and might-y God, holy and most merciful Re -  
deem - er; God eternal, leave us not to  
bit - ter death. O Lord, have mer - cy.

**HYMN: Lamb of God, Pure and Holy**

*LSB 434, st. 1*

I 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:  
Have mer - cy on us, O Je - sus! O Je - sus!

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**REPROACH**

*(Jeremiah 2:6-7)*

Thus says the Lord: What have I done to you, O My peo - ple,  
and wherein have I of - fend - ed you? An - swer Me.

For I have conquered all your foes, and you have given Me over and  
delivered Me to those who per - se - cute Me. For I have fed you with  
My Word and refreshed you with living wa - ter, and you have given  
Me gall and vin - e - gar to drink. O My peo - ple.

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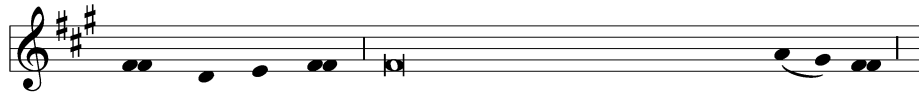
*LSB 434, st. 2*

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.  
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!

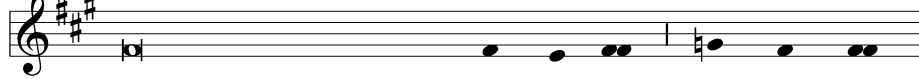
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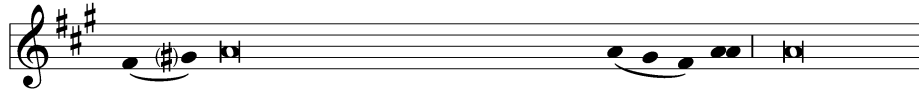
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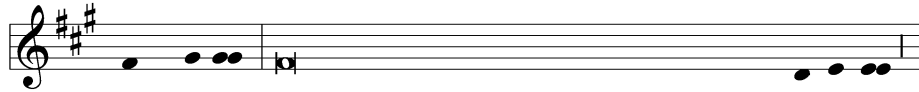
Thus says the Lord: What have I done to you, O My peo - ple,



and wherein have I of - fend - ed you? An - swer Me.



What more could have been done for My vine - yard than I have



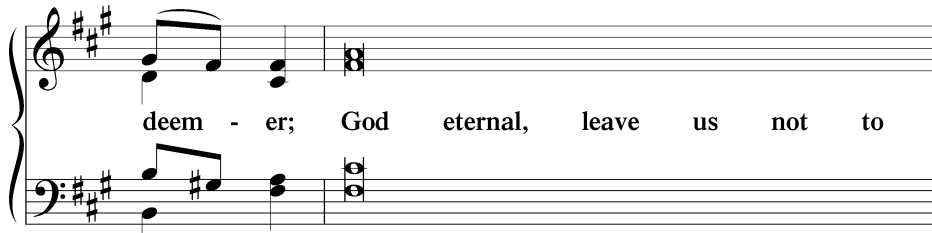
done for it? When I looked for good grapes, why did it yield on-ly bad?



My people, is this how you thank your God? O My peo - ple.



Ho-ly Lord God, holy and might-y God, holy and most merciful Re -



deem - er; God eternal, leave us not to



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Thy peace be with us, O Je - sus! O Je - sus!

*A candle is extinguished.*

## PRAYERS

*Stand/Remain Kneeling*

### KYRIE

Mark 10:47

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -  
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

### LORD'S PRAYER

LSB 957

**P** Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

Our Fa - ther who art in heav - en, hal - low - ed be Thy name,  
Thy king - dom come, Thy will be done on earth as  
it is in heav - en; give us this day our dai - ly  
bread; and for - give us our tres - pass - es as we for - give  
those who tres - pass a - gainst us; and lead us not in -  
to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us from e - vil.  
For Thine is the king - dom and the pow'r and the glo -  
ry for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

## SALUTATION

2 Timothy 4:22



**P** The Lord be with you.



**G** And with thy spir - it.



**P** Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, You willed that Your Son should bear for us the pains of the cross and so remove from us the power of the adversary. Help us so to remember and give thanks for our Lord's passion that we may receive forgiveness of sin and redemption from everlasting death; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.



**G** A - men.

## ADORATION OF CHRIST



**G** We adore You, | O Lord,\*  
and we praise and glorify Your holy resur- | rection.  
For behold, by the wood | of Your cross\*  
joy has come into | all the world.  
God be merciful to us and | bless us,\*  
and cause His face to shine upon us, and have mercy up- | on us.  
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*The Paschal Candle is carried out of the sanctuary.*

## STREPITUS

*The Paschal Candle is returned to the sanctuary as a reminder that Christ, the Light of the World, yet shines in the darkness and the darkness has not overcome Him (John 1:5).*

*All leave the church in silent contemplation of the Passion of our Lord.*

**✠ SOLI DEO GLORIA ✠**  
(TO GOD ALONE BE THE GLORY)



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