

Christ Our Redeemer Lutheran Church

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Please enter quietly

CALL TO WORSHIP

On this night we remember that Jesus was
betrayed,
given over to his enemies,
mocked,
beaten
and finally crucified.

We marvel at our Savior's wondrous love.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P: We gather this evening in guilt, in gratitude, and in grace.

P: In guilt

C: because we know it was our sins that brought you, dear Savior, to this cross.

P: In gratitude,

C: because your blood paid the penalty for our sins, and we are free.

P: In grace,

C: because we daily experience by faith all the benefits of your cross.

P: From the time we are born, until we leave this earth, we live in the midst of trouble and sin. We live with the effects of other people's sin, and we live with the effects of our own sin. Others fail us, and we in turn, fail them. We can see prejudice and pride, greed and injustice in others, and, if we are honest, we can also see them in ourselves. The cross is an ugly reminder of our sin, it is also a beautiful reminder of forgiveness. Let us look to the Lord and confess our sins.

ALL: Almighty God, merciful Father, I, a troubled and repentant sinner, confess that I have sinned against you in my thoughts, my words, and my actions. I have not loved you with my whole heart; I have not loved others as I should. I am distressed by the sins that trouble me and am deeply sorry for them.

P: God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him will not perish, but have eternal life. God did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all. Christ died for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God. Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!

The first candle is extinguished

HYMN – “Sing My Tongue, the Glorious Battle”

CW 122 vv 1 & 5

FIRST LESSON – Isaiah 52:13-53:6

See, my servant will act wisely; he will be raised and lifted up and highly exalted. Just as there were many who were appalled at him -- his appearance was so disfigured beyond that of any man and his form marred beyond human likeness-- so will he sprinkle many nations, and kings will shut their mouths because of him. For what they were not told, they will see, and what they have not heard, they will understand. Who has believed our message and to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed? He grew up before him like a tender shoot, and like a root out of dry ground. He had no beauty or majesty to attract us to him, nothing in his appearance that we should desire him. He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows, and familiar with suffering. Like one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not. Surely he took up our infirmities and carried our sorrows, yet we considered him stricken by God, smitten by him, and afflicted. But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon him, and by his wounds we are healed. We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

The second candle is extinguished

HYMN – “Were You There”

CW 119

SECOND LESSON – Psalm 22:1-10

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Why are you so far from saving me, so far from the words of my groaning? O my God, I cry out by day, but you do not answer, by night, and am not silent. Yet you are enthroned as the Holy One; you are the praise of Israel. In you our fathers put their trust; they trusted and you delivered them. They cried to you and were saved; in you they trusted and were not disappointed. But I am a worm and not a man, scorned by men and despised by the people. All who see me mock me; they hurl insults, shaking their heads: "He trusts in the LORD; let the LORD rescue him. Let him deliver him, since he delights in him." Yet you brought me out of the womb; you made me trust in you even at my mother's breast. From birth I was cast upon you; from my mother's womb you have been my God.

The third candle is extinguished

MUSICAL SELECTION – Senior Choir

“A Green Hill Far Away”

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GOSPEL – John 19:17-27

Jesus' Suffering

Carrying his own cross, he went out to the place of the Skull (which in Aramaic is called Golgotha). Here they crucified him, and with him two others--one on each side and Jesus in the middle. Pilate had a notice prepared and fastened to the cross. It read: JESUS OF NAZARETH, THE KING OF THE JEWS. Many of the Jews read this sign, for the place where Jesus was



crucified was near the city, and the sign was written in Aramaic, Latin and Greek. The chief priests of the Jews protested to Pilate, "Do not write 'The King of the Jews,' but that this man claimed to be king of the Jews." Pilate answered, "What I have written, I have written." When the soldiers crucified Jesus, they took his clothes, dividing them into four shares, one for each of them, with the undergarment remaining. This garment was seamless,

woven in one piece from top to bottom. "Let's not tear it," they said to one another. "Let's decide by lot who will get it." This happened that the scripture might be fulfilled which said, "They divided my garments among them and cast lots for my clothing." So this is what the soldiers did. Near the cross of Jesus stood his mother, his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene.

When Jesus saw his mother there, and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to his mother, "Dear woman, here is your son," and to the disciple, "Here is your mother." From that time on, this disciple took her into his home.

The fourth candle is extinguished

Shadow and Light

ANGER AND LOVE

⁴⁰But the other criminal rebuked him.

"Don't you fear God," he said, "since you are under the same sentence?"

⁴¹We are punished justly, for we are getting what our deeds deserve.

But this man has done nothing wrong."

⁴²Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom. "

⁴³Jesus answered him, "I tell you the truth, today you will be with me in paradise."

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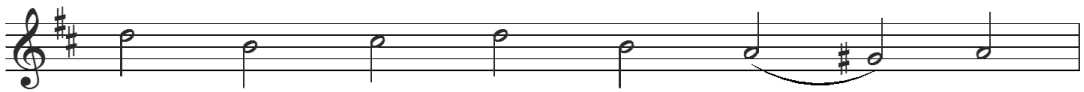
RESPONSE



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Ev-er pa-tient and low - ly, Your-self to scorn did of-fer.



All sins you car - ried for us,



Else had de - spair reigned o'er us:



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

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OFFERING

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

GOSPEL – John 19:28-30

Jesus' Death

Later, knowing that all was now completed, and so that the Scripture would be fulfilled, Jesus said, "I am thirsty." A jar of wine vinegar was there, so they soaked a sponge in it, put the sponge on a stalk of the hyssop plant, and lifted it to Jesus' lips. When he had received the drink, Jesus said, "It is finished." With that, he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

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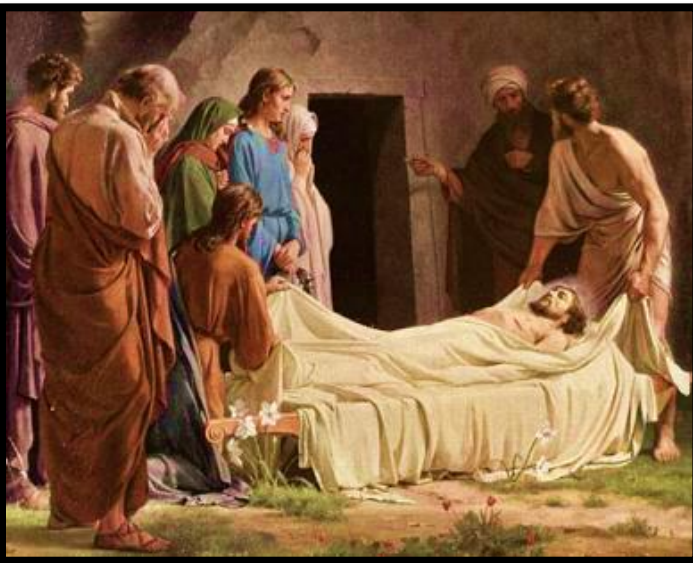
MUSICAL SELECTION – Junior and Senior Choirs “Saw Ye My Savior”

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GOSPEL – John 19:38-42

Jesus' Burial

Later, Joseph of Arimathea asked Pilate for the body of Jesus. Now Joseph was a disciple of Jesus, but secretly because he feared the Jews. With Pilate's permission, he came and took the



body away. He was accompanied by Nicodemus, the man who earlier had visited Jesus at night. Nicodemus brought a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about seventy-five pounds. Taking Jesus' body, the two of them wrapped it, with the spices, in strips of linen. This was in accordance with Jewish burial customs. At the place where Jesus was crucified, there was a garden, and in the garden a new tomb, in which no one had ever been laid. Because it was the Jewish day of Preparation and since the tomb was nearby, they laid Jesus there.

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Your peace be with us, O Je-sus!

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One candle is re-lit

CLOSING LESSON – Isaiah 53:11-12 **The Hope of the Resurrection**

After the suffering of his soul, he will see the light [of life] and be satisfied; by his knowledge my righteous servant will justify many, and he will bear their iniquities. Therefore I will give him a portion among the great, and he will divide the spoils with the strong, because he poured out his life unto death, and was numbered with the transgressors. For he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

HYMN - "The Old Rugged Cross"

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On a hill far a - way stood an old rug - ged cross,
In the old rug - ged cross, stained with blood so di - vine,
To the old rug - ged cross I will ev - er be true,

The em - blem of suf - fring and shame; And I love that old cross
A won - drous beau - ty I see; For 'twas on that old cross
Its shame and re - proach glad - ly bear; Then he'll call me some - day

where the dear - est and best For a world of lost sin - ners was slain.
Je - sus suf - ered and died To par - don and jus - ti - fy me.
to my home far a - way, Where his glo - ry for - ev - er I'll share.

So I'll cher-ish the old rug-ged cross Till my tro-phies at last I lay down; I will
cross, the old rug-ged cross,

cling to the old rug-ged cross And ex-change it some-day for a crown.
cross, the old rug-ged cross,

The congregation is ushered out in silence in honor and remembrance of Jesus' death. Please feel free to remain in meditation.

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- A warm welcome to our visitors. May the Lord bless your worship with us today. We ask that you please sign the friendship register located at the end of the pew.
- Children – Activity bags are available in the coat room, off the narthex. During our 10:30a service a staffed nursery is located straight ahead and to your left as you exit the sanctuary. While we encourage young children to be in the service, families may like to use the nursery and are invited to do so.
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