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# **OUR REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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## **OUR MISSION**

“The Our Redeemer church family exists to **welcome** people to faith;  
help people **grow** in the faith that works in real life;  
and **serve** our community and the world together in **Jesus’** name.”

## **GUESTS AND MEMBERS – WELCOME TO OUR REDEEMER**

We’re happy that you’ve joined us in worship, especially if you are a visitor with us. We pray that the Lord who led you here would lead you into a time of knowing Him better, trusting in Him more, and growing deeper in His love as He places His Word and cross before your eyes, ears, and hearts.

## **LARGE PRINT BULLETINS & LISTENING DEVICES ARE AVAILABLE**

Please see an usher for assistance with these items.

### **COVID-19 Reminder**

As ministry opportunities sponsored by Our Redeemer continue to resume onsite and elsewhere, the leadership of our congregation recognizes the new challenges that exist when gathering together. Below is a reminder to consider before participating in any worship service or activity:

*The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. As a result, federal, state, and local governments and agencies recommend social distancing and have, in many locations, prohibited the congregation of groups of people. We are doing everything we can to be compliant with all regulations and ensure your safety. We have put in place preventative measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19, but we cannot guarantee that you or family members will not become infected with COVID-19.*

GOOD FRIDAY  
APRIL 2, 2021  
11:30 AM

AS WE GATHER: *The pastor and congregation enter in reflective silence as our Maundy Thursday worship continues today...*

CALL TO WORSHIP

P: O Lord, open my lips,

**C: And my mouth will declare Your praise.**

P: Make haste, O God, to deliver me;

**C: Make haste to help me, O Lord.**

P: Praise to You, O Christ,

**C: Lamb of our salvation.**

EPISTLE LESSON

*Hebrews 4:14-16, 5:7-9*

Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to him who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered. And being made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

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.**

# THE PASSION OF CHRIST – DRAWN FROM THE FOUR GOSPELS

## FIRST READING – JESUS BEFORE PILATE

“Jesus, I Will Ponder Now”

*LSB 440 v. 2*

2 Make me see Your great dis-tress, An - guish, and af - flic - tion,  
Bonds and stripes and wretch-ed - ness And Your cru - ci - fix - ion;  
Make me see how scourge and rod, Spear and nails did wound You,  
How for them You died, O God, Who with thorns had crowned You.

The musical score is written on four staves in a single system. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The melody is primarily composed of quarter and eighth notes, with some half notes. The lyrics are printed below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

## SECOND READING – JESUS BEFORE HEROD

“O Dearest Jesus, What Law Hast Thou Broken”

*LSB 439 v. 1*

1 O dear - est Je - sus, what law hast Thou bro - ken  
That such sharp sen - tence should on Thee be spo - ken?  
Of what great crime hast Thou to make con -  
fes - sion, What dark trans - gres - sion?

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## THIRD READING – JESUS AT THE FEAST

### “My Song Is Love Unknown”

LSB 430 v. 3

3 Some-times they strew His way And His sweet prais-es  
sing; Re-sound-ing all the day Ho-san-nas to their  
King. Then “Cru-ci-fy!” Is all their breath,  
And for His death They thirst and cry.

## FOURTH READING – JESUS LED OUT TO BE CRUCIFIED

### “Were You There”

LSB 456 v. 1-2

1 Were you there when they cru-ci-fied my Lord? Were you  
2 Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree? Were you  
there when they cru-ci-fied my Lord? Oh...  
there when they nailed Him to the tree? Oh...  
Some-times it caus-es me to trem-ble, trem-ble, trem-ble.  
Some-times it caus-es me to trem-ble, trem-ble, trem-ble.  
Were you there when they cru-ci-fied my Lord?  
Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree?

## MEDITATION

# “The Spirit Anointed Christ to Proclaim the Jubilee”

### Notes and Additional References

Jesus’ work is to bring a merciful people into existence.

#### Taking Our Infirmities and Bearing Our Sickness

And when Jesus entered Peter's house, he saw his mother-in-law lying sick with a fever. He touched her hand, and the fever left her, and she rose and began to serve him. That evening they brought to him many who were oppressed by demons, and he cast out the spirits with a word and healed all who were sick.

This was to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah: “He took our illnesses and bore our diseases.” *(Matthew 8:14-17)*

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.

*(Isaiah 53:9)*

Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ them away and \_\_\_\_\_ for them.

Jesus did not become \_\_\_\_\_ sick because He had to be a “lamb without blemish.”

“Jesus’ reaction to the poor, the blind, the captive, the bruised, the leper, and the lame was visceral. He felt it in His gut, and because He felt for them, He acted in mercy.” - Dr. Harrison

#### Compassion in the Real World

He not only carried the load of the \_\_\_\_\_, but the load of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ on that cross.

#### Jesus’ Dying Words

His grace is sufficient to \_\_\_\_\_ those words.

“Our Lord and Savior Jesus has left us a commandment which applies equally to all Christians, namely, that we are to render ... the works of mercy, to those who are afflicted and in a state of calamity, and that we are to visit the sick, try to free the captives, and do similar things for our neighbor so that the evils of the present may be somewhat lessened.” – Martin Luther

## BIDDING PRAYER

*We bring the needs of all before God in this traditional Good Friday prayer that finds its origins in the prayer of the faithful from the Early Church.*

## LORD'S PRAYER

P: Finally, let us pray for all those things for which our Lord would have us ask, saying:

**C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

## CONCLUDING PRAYER

P: 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.

**C: Amen.**

## CONCLUDING RESPONSE

P: Behold, the life-giving cross,

**C: On which was hung the salvation of the world.**

P: Behold, the life-giving cross.

*The absence of a benediction today reminds us that our worship on Good Friday is not complete without Easter.*

*Please wait for the usher to dismiss you.  
The pastor and congregation leave in silence.*

*Serving Us*

**Pastor** - Rev. Peter Weeks

**Director of Youth and Family Ministry** - Arlyn Meyer

**Organist** - Trudy Rowold

**Elder**      Mike Mounce      (530-0940)

***Holy Week Worship Services***

*“Good Friday” - April 2nd*

7:00 pm      Tenebrae Worship Service

*“Easter” - April 4th*

8:00 am      Celebration Worship Service with Communion

10:30 am      Celebration Worship Service with Communion

*\*There will not be any Education Hour  
classes or activities on Easter Sunday.*

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