

Worship of the Living God • Good Friday, April 15, 2022 Proclaiming the Gospel in Word and Sacrament

To maintain a spirit of reverent reflection on our Lord's Passion, please remain silent prior to the beginning of the service as well as when you leave the sanctuary.

Via Dolorosa

Marsha Tucker

Down the Via Dolorosa in Jerusalem that day
The soldiers tried to clear the narrow street.
But the crowd pressed in to see
The Man condemned to die on Calvary.

He was bleeding from a beating, there were stripes upon His back
And He wore a crown of thorns upon His head.
And He bore with every step
The scorn of those who cried out for His death.

Down the Via Dolorosa called the way of suffering
Like a lamb came the Messiah, Christ the King.
But He chose to walk that road out of His love for you and me.
Down the Via Dolorosa, all the way to Calvary.

The blood that would cleanse the soul of all men
Made it's way to the heart of Jerusalem.

Call to Worship Selected Verses from Exodus 12-13, 29
"Remember this day in which you came out from Egypt, out of the house of slavery,

for by a strong hand the LORD brought you out from this place...

And when you come to the land that the LORD will give you, as he has promised, you shall keep this service. And when your children say to you, 'What do you mean by this service?' you shall say,

'It is the sacrifice of the LORD's Passover, for he passed over the houses of the people of Israel in Egypt, when he struck the Egyptians but spared our houses.'

...I will dwell among the people of Israel and will be their God.

And they shall know that I am the LORD their God, who brought them out of the land of Egypt that I might dwell among them..."

Invocation and The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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 debts as we forgive our debtors, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and glory forever. Amen.

Responsive Reading

2 Samuel 7:4-6, 12-15

[T]he word of the LORD came to Nathan, saying, "Go and tell my servant David,

'... since the time that I brought the children of Israel up from Egypt, even to this day, [I] have moved about in a tent and in a tabernacle.

When your days are fulfilled and you rest with your fathers, I will set up your [offspring] after you...

He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever...

If he commits iniquity, I will chasten him with the rod of men ...

But my mercy shall not depart from him, as I took it from Saul, whom I removed from before you... Your throne shall be established forever."

Choral Anthem

It Is Finished, Tetelestai

Tetelestai – Greek word literally translated "It is finished"

"Tetelestai, it is finished," hear Him cry.

The work Christ came to do, He has done.

There on the tree, as darkness filled the earth,

"Tetelestai," the price for sin now paid in full.

From His head, His hands and feet,

Love and sorrow mingled down.

See such love and sorrow meet,

Thorns compose so rich a crown.

"Tetelestai, it is finished," hear Him cry,

The work Christ came to do, He has done.

There on the tree, as darkness filled the earth,

"Tetelestai," the price for sin now paid in full.

"It is finished, Tetelestai."

Responsive Reading

Selected Verses from Isaiah 51-53, 57

O ... LORD ... was it not you who dried up the sea, the waters of the great deep, who made the depths of the sea a way for the redeemed to pass over?

[L]oose the bonds from your neck, O captive daughter of Zion ... depart, go out from there... for the LORD will go before you, and the God of Israel will be your rear guard.

Behold, my servant ... his appearance was so marred, beyond human semblance ... he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace...

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.

[L]ike a lamb that is led to the slaughter ... so he opened not his mouth... 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 ... his soul makes an offering for guilt ... [H]e poured out his soul to death and ... bore the sin of many...

[T]hus says the One who is high and lifted up, who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy:

"I dwell in the high and holy place, and also with him who is of a contrite and lowly spirit, to revive the spirit of the lowly, and to revive the heart of the contrite."

Hymn of Reflection

Congregation

How Deep the Father's Love for Us

How deep the Father's love for us, how vast beyond all measure,
That He should give His only Son to make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss—the Father turns His face away,
As wounds which mar the Chosen One bring many sons to glory.

Behold the man upon a cross, my sin upon His shoulders;
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held Him there until it was accomplished;
His dying breath has brought me life—I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything, no gifts, no power, no wisdom;
But I will boast in Jesus Christ, His death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer;
But this I know with all my heart—His wounds have paid my ransom.

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Reading of Scripture

Mark 15:21-32

And they compelled a passerby, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming in from the country, the father of Alexander and Rufus, to carry his cross. ²² And they brought him to the place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull). ²³ And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh, but he did not take it. ²⁴ And they crucified him and divided his garments among them, casting lots for them, to decide what each should take. ²⁵ And it was the third hour when they crucified him. ²⁶ And the inscription of the charge against him read, "The King of the Jews." ²⁷ And with him they crucified two robbers, one on his right and one on his left. ²⁹ And those who passed by derided him, wagging their heads and saying, "Aha! You who would destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, ³⁰ save yourself, and come down from the cross!" ³¹ So also the chief priests with the scribes mocked him to one another, saying, "He saved others; he cannot save himself. ³² Let the Christ, the King of Israel, come down now from the cross that we may see and believe." Those who were crucified with him also reviled him.

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon

“But You Promised”

Pastor Ben

The Invitation to the Lord’s Table

Corporate Confession of Sin

Lord, we have sinned greatly against You and our neighbors. But we praise You that You are a great Savior! We praise You for the Good News of Good Friday. What a great God You are! Thank You for Your great love and mercy—shown to us at the Cross and every day. As we come to Your table to night, please transform us so that we go forward with a renewed love for You, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Cause us to have a greater hatred for our sin and a greater love for each other and the lost. Empower us to carry the cross daily as we follow the King of kings. We pray all of this in Your great Name, Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Hymn of Preparation *There is a Fountain Filled with Blood*

There is a fountain filled with blood,
Drawn from Immanuel’s veins,
And sinners plunged beneath that flood
Lose all their guilty stains:
Lose all their guilty stains,
Lose all their guilty stains;
And sinners plunged beneath that flood
Lose all their guilty stains.

E’er since by faith I saw the stream
Thy flowing wounds supply,
Redeeming love has been my theme,
And shall be till I die:
And shall be till I die,
And shall be till I die;
Redeeming love has been my theme,
And shall be till I die.

Dear dying Lamb, Thy precious blood
Shall never lose its pow’r,
Till all the ransomed church of God
Be saved to sin no more:
Be saved to sin no more,
Be saved to sin no more;
Till all the ransomed church of God
Be saved to sin no more.

Receiving the Bread and Cup

Hymn of Reflection *Were You There?*

Were you there when they crucified my Lord? (Were you there) X 2
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they crucified my Lord? (Were you there?)

Were you there when they pierced Him in the side? (Were you there) X 2
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they pierced Him in the side? (Were you there?)

Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb? (Were you there) X 2
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb? (Were you there?)

Benediction

*To maintain a spirit of reverent reflection on our Lord’s Passion,
please leave the sanctuary in silence.*

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May the Lord grant you His grace,
mercy, and peace this Easter Season.

