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Sunday Worship
10:00 a.m.

Bible Class
8:45 a.m. - Sunday
11:00 a.m. - Tuesday

Sunday School
8:45 a.m.

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Good
Friday



CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH
“Forward in Faith and Mission”

GOOD FRIDAY

7 p.m.

April 10, 2020

Christians around the world gather on this solemn day to remember the greatest sacrifice of love the world has ever seen. Even the anticipated celebration of our Lord’s resurrection cannot diminish our horror at the sight of the very Son of God hanging on a cross in our place and for our forgiveness, life and salvation. Our Good Friday observance is the “second act” of the great Three Days observed by the Church, the days from Thursday to Sunday of Christ’s betrayal, suffering, death, and resurrection. The service is one of darkness, sometimes called Tenebrae.

THE PRELUDE *“Here Yet Awhile”* from the St. Matthew’s Passion J.S. Bach
Violin and Organ

THE SERVICE OF PREPARATION

The Prophecy of the Suffering and Death of our Lord Isaiah 53:1-12

THE INVOCATION

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

THE READING

Isaiah 53: 1-4

P: Who has believed our message and to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?

C: He grew up before Him like a tender shoot, and like a root out of dry ground.

P: He had no beauty or majesty to attract us to Him, nothing in His appearance that we should desire Him.

C: He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows, and familiar with suffering

P: Like one from whom men hide their faces, He was despised, and we esteemed Him not.

C: Surely He took up our infirmities and carried our sorrows, yet we considered Him stricken by God, smitten by Him, and afflicted.

THE HYMN

“O Sacred Head, Now Wounded”

#449 st. 1

1 O sacred Head, now wounded,
With grief and shame weighed down,
Now scornfully surrounded
With thorns, Thine only crown.
O sacred Head, what glory,
What bliss, till now was Thine!
Yet, though despised and gory,
I joy to call Thee mine.

THE READING

Isaiah 53:5, 6

P: 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.
C: **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 HYMN

“O Sacred Head, Now Wounded”

#449 st. 2

2 What Thou, my Lord, hast suffered
Was all for sinners' gain;
Mine, mine was the transgression,
But Thine the deadly pain.
Lo, here I fall, my Savior!
'Tis I deserve Thy place;
Look on me with Thy favor,
And grant to me Thy grace.

THE READING

Isaiah 53:7-9

P: He was oppressed and afflicted, yet He did not open His mouth; He was led like a lamb to the slaughter and as a sheep before her shearers is silent, so He did not open His mouth.
C: **He was assigned a grave with the wicked and with the rich in His death, though He had done no violence, nor was any deceit in His mouth.**

THE HYMN

“O Sacred Head, Now Wounded”

#449 st. 3

3 What language shall I borrow
 To thank Thee, dearest Friend,
 For this Thy dying sorrow,
 Thy pity without end?
 O make me Thine forever!
 And should I fainting be,
 Lord, let me never, never,
 Outlive my love for Thee.

THE READING

Isaiah 53:11, 12

P: 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.

C: 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.

THE HYMN

“O Sacred Head, Now Wounded”

#449 st. 4

4 Be Thou my consolation,
 My shield, when I must die;
 Remind me of Thy passion
 When my last hour draws nigh.
 Mine eyes shall then behold Thee,
 Upon Thy cross shall dwell,
 My heart by faith enfold Thee.
 Who dieth thus dies well.

CONFESSION AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF FORGIVENESS

P: Let us pray.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You and worthily magnify Your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C: But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

(Silence for self-examination and reflection on God's Word)

P: Let us confess our sins to God our Father.

C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

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. Amen.

PSALM 31

**In you, O LORD, do I take refuge;
let me never be put to shame;
in your righteousness deliver me!**

**² Incline your ear to me;
rescue me speedily!**

**Be a rock of refuge for me,
a strong fortress to save me!**

**³ For you are my rock and my fortress;
and for your name's sake you lead me and guide me;**

**4 you take me out of the net they have hidden for me,
for you are my refuge.**

**5 Into your hand I commit my spirit;
you have redeemed me, O LORD, faithful God.**

**6 I hate those who pay regard to worthless idols,
but I trust in the LORD.**

**7 I will rejoice and be glad in your steadfast love,
because you have seen my affliction;
you have known the distress of my soul,**

**8 and you have not delivered me into the hand of the enemy;
you have set my feet in a broad place.**

**9 Be gracious to me, O LORD, for I am in distress;
my eye is wasted from grief;
my soul and my body also.**

**10 For my life is spent with sorrow,
and my years with sighing;
my strength fails because of my iniquity,
and my bones waste away.**

**11 Because of all my adversaries I have become a reproach,
especially to my neighbors,
and an object of dread to my acquaintances;
those who see me in the street flee from me.**

**12 I have been forgotten like one who is dead;
I have become like a broken vessel.**

**13 For I hear the whispering of many—
terror on every side!—
as they scheme together against me,
as they plot to take my life.**

**14 But I trust in you, O LORD;
I say, “You are my God.”**

**15 My times are in your hand;
rescue me from the hand of my enemies and from my persecutors!**

**16 Make your face shine on your servant;
save me in your steadfast love!**

**17 O LORD, let me not be put to shame,
for I call upon you;**

**let the wicked be put to shame;
let them go silently to Sheol.**

**18 Let the lying lips be mute,
which speak insolently against the righteous
in pride and contempt.**

**19 Oh, how abundant is your goodness,
which you have stored up for those who fear you
and worked for those who take refuge in you,
in the sight of the children of mankind!**

**20 In the cover of your presence you hide them
from the plots of men;
you store them in your shelter
from the strife of tongues.**

**21 Blessed be the LORD,
for he has wondrously shown his steadfast love to me
when I was in a besieged city.**

**22 I had said in my alarm,
“I am cut off from your sight.”**

**But you heard the voice of my pleas for mercy
when I cried to you for help.**

**23 Love the LORD, all you his saints!
The LORD preserves the faithful
but abundantly repays the one who acts in pride.**

**24 Be strong, and let your heart take courage,
all you who wait for the LORD!**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the
beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

THE EPISTLE

Hebrews 4: 14-16; 5: 7-9

(Temptation but no sin; obedience through suffering)

14. 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.

7. 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. This is the Word of the Lord.

THE MESSAGE (Look online @www.calvarylutheranCS.org) Rev. Doug Meilander

THE SERVICE OF DARKNESS

The Service of Darkness incorporates the seven last words of Christ from the cross. As the readings progress, darkness covers the sanctuary in recalling the darkness that covered the earth at the death of Jesus.

THE HYMN *“At Calvary We Worship You”*

At Calvary we worship you, the Crucified
for years of grace and countless days of gifts abundant multiplied.

At Calvary You died, abandoned and alone.
Our praises rise above the skies for your great love and mercy shown.

At Calvary Your mother found a caring son;
Your welcoming community creates a home for ev'ry one.

At Calvary we look, and learn of selfless love.
Your mercy here transforms our fear: We share your Word with old and young.

At Calvary, Your work was finished with a cry:,
Come now and save from death and grave! Fill us with hope that never dies!

THE FIRST WORD

John 19: 14-16a; Luke 23: 32-34a

¹⁴ Now it was the day of Preparation of the Passover. It was about the sixth hour. Pilate said to the Jews, "Behold your King!" ¹⁵ 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." ¹⁶ So he delivered him over to them to be crucified.

³² Two others, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. ³³ And when they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified him, and the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. ³⁴ And Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do."

The Versicles

Father Almighty, the shadow of Your Son's cross falls upon us;

We know not how to bear such a load of grief and pain.

Grant, O Lord, the comforting shadow of Your mercy.

Fill our hearts, our souls, and our minds with Your Spirit.

Enlighten us that we may see Your love clearly in the death of Your Son, Jesus Christ.

THE HYMN

"Glory be to Jesus"

#433 st. 1-3

- 1 Glory be to Jesus,
 Who in bitter pains
 Poured for me the lifeblood
 From His sacred veins!

- 2 Grace and life eternal
 In that blood I find;
 Blest be His compassion,
 Infinitely kind!

- 3 Blest through endless ages
 Be the precious stream
 Which from endless torment
 Did the world redeem!

THE COLLECT

Lord Jesus Christ, Prince of Peace: You did not seek revenge on those who tormented You. Grant us grace to forgive those who hurt us, to overcome evil with good, to love our enemies for Your sake, and as children of the heavenly Father, seek Your peace, and evermore rejoice in Your love. Amen.

The First Candle is extinguished

THE SECOND WORD

Luke 23: 35-43

³⁵ And the people stood by, watching, but the rulers scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!" ³⁶ The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine ³⁷ and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" ³⁸ There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews." ³⁹ One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!" ⁴⁰ But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation?" ⁴¹ And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong." ⁴² And he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." ⁴³ And he said to him, "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

THE HYMN

"Jesus, Remember Me" (sing twice)

#767

Jesus, remember me when You come into Your kingdom.
Jesus, remember me when You come into Your kingdom.

THE PRAYER

Lord Jesus, while You hung on the cross You showed mercy to the dying thief. With that mercy look on us also, we pray, and at our last hour, comfort us with Your promise that we will dwell forever in paradise with you. Amen.

The Second Candle is extinguished

THE THIRD WORD

John 19: 25-27

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.

The Versicles

Lord God, may we learn by Christ's example to love others as we love ourselves;
forgiving the worst we find in others and in ourselves; rejoicing in the best we know of others and of ourselves.

With the power of Your Holy Spirit,
encourage us toward greater unity in our own families and toward unity in the family of believers in Christ Jesus.

THE HYMN

“Were You There”

#456 st. 1-3

- 1 Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
 Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
 Oh . . .
 Sometimes 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?

THE COLLECT

Lord Jesus, while You suffered the agony of the cross, You remembered in love Your sorrowing mother. With that same love and pity, bless all parents, especially those whose hearts are torn by the loss of loved ones or burdened with worry over their children. In Your mercy, gather all within the peace of Your cross, so that parent and child will love each other as they love You. Amen.

The Third Candle is extinguished

THE FOURTH WORD

Matthew 27: 45-47

⁴⁵ Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land until the ninth hour. ⁴⁶ And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, “Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?” that is, “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?” ⁴⁷ And some of the bystanders, hearing it, said, “This man is calling Elijah.”

The Versicles

Lord, we do not want to forsake You and flee,

yet, in our daily confusion we sometimes forget you.

Lord, we do not want to condemn You, shouting, “crucify!”

although we have allowed evil to be done in Your name.

Lord, we would never deny You, saying, “I do not know the man!”

but we have avoided opportunities to proclaim Jesus Christ as our Savior from sin.

Lord, we would never shut You out of our lives, unheeding to Your voice,

when our own clamoring deafens our hearing, will You knock again, Lord Jesus?

THE HYMN

“O Lord, Hear My Prayer” (sing twice) #780

O Lord, hear my prayer,

O Lord, hear my prayer;

When I call, answer me.

O Lord, hear my prayer,

O Lord, hear my prayer;

Come and listen to me.

THE COLLECT

Heavenly Father, Your Son cried, “Why have You forsaken me?” In time of trial and suffering, do not turn away from us, but give us Your presence and Your power that enable us to endure whatever may be set before us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Fourth Candle is extinguished

THE FIFTH WORD

Matthew 10: 38-42; John 19: 28-29

³⁸ "And whoever does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me. ³⁹

Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. ⁴⁰ Whoever receives you receives me, and whoever receives me receives him who sent me. ⁴¹ The one who receives a prophet because he is a prophet will receive a prophet's reward, and the one who receives a righteous person because he is a righteous person will receive a righteous person's reward. ⁴² And whoever gives one of these little ones even a cup of cold water because he is a disciple, truly, I say to you, he will by no means lose his reward."

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.

THE HYMN

"In the Cross of Christ I Glory"

#427 st. 1 & 2

- 1 In the cross of Christ I glory,
Tow'ring o'er the wrecks of time.
All the light of sacred story
Gathers round its head sublime.
- 2 When the woes of life o'ertake me,
Hopes deceive, and fears annoy,
Never shall the cross forsake me;
Lo, it glows with peace and joy.

The Versicles

Lord of life,

we know that You provide all we need to support life.

Lord of redemption,

reveal the power of Your redeeming love in our daily living.

Lord of love,

help us to remember that Your Son suffered and died as one of us, bearing in His body the penalty for the sin we commit.

THE COLLECT

Lord Jesus Christ, You endured not only spiritual anguish but also physical pain on the cross in our place. We thirst for the healing that only You can provide. Strengthen us to carry our burdens and to endure our sufferings by the grace of Your holy example, always giving You thanks for Your love. Amen.

The Fifth Candle is extinguished

THE SIXTH WORD

Hebrews 9: 11-12, 15, 27-28: John 19:30

¹¹ But when Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and more perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation) ¹² he entered once for all into the holy places, not by means of the blood of goats and calves but by means of his own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption. ¹⁵ Therefore he is the mediator of a new covenant, so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance, since a death has occurred that redeems them from the transgressions committed under the first covenant... ²⁷ And just as it is appointed for man to die once, and after that comes judgment, ²⁸ so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him. ³⁰ When Jesus had received the sour wine, he said, "It is finished," and he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

The Versicles

Lord Jesus, in Your death we have life.

Stir up our souls that we may pursue with renewed strength the paths You have laid for us.

Lead and direct us, O Lord, beyond the darkness into a fuller understanding of Your will, **that we need not grope through the darkness to lay our commitment before You and Your Son, Jesus.**

THE COLLECT

Lord Jesus Christ, You are the Author and Finisher of our faith. You did not stop short of finishing the task given to You by Your Father. Complete in us everything You intend for us so that as your children, we may live for His glory. Amen

The Sixth Candle is extinguished

THE SEVENTH WORD

Luke 23: 44-46; Matthew 27: 54

⁴⁴ It was now about the sixth hour, and there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour, ⁴⁵ while the sun's light failed. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two. ⁴⁶ Then Jesus, calling out with a loud voice, said, "Father, into your hands I commit my spirit!" And having said this he breathed his last.

⁵⁴ When the centurion and those who were with him, keeping watch over Jesus, saw the earthquake and what took place, they were filled with awe and said, "Truly this was the Son of God!"

THE COLLECT

Lord Jesus Christ, as You gave Your life on the cross in our place, You commended Your Spirit into the loving hands of Your heavenly Father. Give us the grace to trust in You for all things. When our last hour comes, grant us peace that we may close our eyes with confidence, knowing that we also will dwell forever in the hands of our heavenly Father. Amen.

The Seventh Candle is extinguished

THE HYMN

"The Old Rugged Cross"

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

*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.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER (spoken softly)

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.

CLOSING OF THE TOMB

The “Strepitus” or loud noise, signifies the closing of the tomb of Christ and traditionally marks the end of the Tenebrae Service.

Again, there will be no benediction as this is a continuing part of the three days of worship leading up to Easter.

TODAY’S SERVANTS

Pastor: Rev. Kevin Barron
Proclaimer: Rev. Doug Meilander
Organist: Barbara Sommer
Violinist: Manfred Reek
Cantor and Reader: John Robinson

+++ *Go in Peace, Serve the Lord* +++