

Good Friday Service - April 10, 2020

(DRIVE-IN SERVICE PARTICIPANTS PLEASE TUNE IN TO FM 90.1)
WELCOME TO OUR DRIVE-IN SERVICE

Vans, trucks, SUVs: Please try to leave the front rows for cars to maximize visibility. Thank you!
If you are comfortable backing your car to park, please take the back-row parking spaces. Please drive with caution.

When the service is over, you can exit directly on to Barracksview Road or on to Peace Haven (gate is unlocked).

OPENING VOLUNTARY

HYMN

We Sing the Praise of Him Who Died

LSB 429 (v. 1-2)

1. We sing the praise of Him who died,
Of Him who died upon the cross;
The sinners' Hope let men deride,
For this we count the world but loss.
2. Inscribed upon that cross we see
In shining letters "God is Love."
He bears our sins upon the tree,
He brings us mercy from above.

INVOCATION

C:  Amen.

THE CONFESSION AT THE CROSS

L: Beloved in the Lord, on this Good Friday we not only enter this place of worship, but in mind we go to that place called Calvary to stand beneath the cross.

C: **We have come because we need the renewal of our faith.**

L: Jesus said: Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing."

C: **Forgive us, Lord, for doing what we should not do and for not doing what we should do.**

L: Jesus said: "I tell you the truth, today you will be with Me in paradise."

C: **Forgive us, Lord, for seeking first the things that this world offers, for building our own kingdoms, for our materialism and misplaced priorities, and for neglecting the kingdom You came to bestow.**

L: Jesus said: "Dear woman, here is your son...Here is your mother."

C: **Forgive us, Lord, for neglecting those in need, for ignoring the poor and helpless and hurting, for scorning Your call to servanthood.**

L: Jesus said: "My God, My God, why have You forsaken me?"

C: **Forgive us, Lord, the time that we have turned our backs on Your Word, the times we have gone through trial and have suspected that You weren't there, the times when we weren't there to help and to comfort the lowly.**

L: Jesus said: "I am thirsty."

C: **Forgive us, Lord, when we have not thirsted for righteousness and peace and hope and joy and kindness, neglecting the fruitful life that the Spirit would bestow.**

L: Jesus said: "It is finished."

C: **Forgive us, Lord, when we have doubted Your grace and have tried to add to our salvation by depending on ourselves and what we can do to gain Your favor.**

L: Jesus said: "Father, into Your hands I commit My spirit."

C: **Forgive us, Lord, for not commending our past failures to Your mercy, our present situations to Your governance, and our futures to Your care. Lord, have mercy on us sinners, who in our inner being still delight in Your law. Deliver us from this twisted state.**

L: As your called and ordained servant, I proclaim that you are not condemned: you are justified by grace through faith in Christ Jesus. You have been set free from the law of sin and death. Set your mind now on what the Spirit desires, who gives you life and peace and renews your faith.

SERMON HYMN

Drawn to the Cross

LSB 560

1. Drawn to the Cross, which Thou hast blest
With healing gifts for souls distrest,
To find in Thee my life, my rest,
Christ Crucified, I come.
2. Wash me and take away each stain;
Let nothing of my sin remain,
For cleansing, though it be through pain,
Christ Crucified, I come.

SERMON

“From the Darkness”

(Luke 23:44-45)

VOLUNTARY

PRAYERS

THE DARKNESS OF REJECTION BY HIS OWN

Readings from Christ of the Gospels

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The First Lesson: *Look At The Man*

RESPONSIVE READING

L: “Look at the man!” Pilate said to them.

C: When the ruling priests and the servants saw Him, they shouted, “Crucify Him! Crucify Him!”

L: “You take Him,” Pilate told them, “and crucify Him yourselves, because I don’t find Him guilty of anything.”

C: **“We have a law,” the Jews answered him, “and according to the law He must die, because He made Himself the Son of God.”**

L: When Pilate heard them say that, he was frightened still more. He went into the palace again. “Where are you from?” he asked Jesus. But Jesus didn’t answer him.

C: **“Don’t you speak to me?” Pilate then asked Him. “Don’t You know I have the power to free You or to crucify You?”**

L: “You wouldn’t have any power over me,” Jesus answered him, “if it hadn’t been given to you from above. That is why the man who handed Me over to you is guilty of a greater sin.”

C: **This made Pilate anxious to let Him go, but the Jews shouted: “If you let Him go, you are no friend of Caesar. Anyone who makes himself a king is against Caesar.”**

L: When Pilate heard this, he brought Jesus outside and sat in the judge’s seat at a place called “Stone Pavement,” or “Gabbatha” in the language of the Jews. It was the Friday of the Passover, and it was about 6 o’clock. “Look at your King?” he said to the Jews.

C: **Then they shouted, “Away with Him! Kill Him! Crucify Him!”**

L: “Shall I crucify your King?” Pilate asked them.

C: **“We have no king but Caesar,” the ruling priests answered. Then Pilate handed Jesus over to them to be crucified, as they desired it.**

HYMN

Christ, the Life of All the Living

LSB 420 (v. 1)

1. Christ, the Life of all the living,
 Christ, the Death of death, our foe,
 Who, Thyself for me once giving
 To the darkest depths of woe, --
 Through Thy sufferings, death, and merit
 I eternal life inherit:
 Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,
 Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.

THE DARKNESS OF THE WAY OF SORROWS

The Second Lesson:*On The Way To The Cross*

THE PRAYER FOR FAITH

L: Renew our faith, O Lord.

C: Give us faith to believe that Christ died for our sins.

L: Renew our faith, O Lord.

C: Give us faith to believe that only in Christ is there peace with God.

L: Renew our faith, O Lord.

C: Give us faith to believe that we have died to sin with Christ and have been raised to a new life.

L: Renew our faith, O Lord.

C: Give us faith to believe that Your love is boundless, Your mercy limitless, Your forgiveness as certain as the cross on which You died for us.

L: Renew our faith, O Lord.

C: Give us faith to believe that we are justified by Your grace as a gift, through the redemption that You put forward, an expiation by Your blood, to be received by faith.

HYMN

Upon the Cross Extended

LSB 453 (v. 1-2)

1. Upon the cross extended,
 See, world, your Lord suspended.
 Your Savior yields His breath.
 The Prince of Life from heaven
 Himself has freely given
 To shame and blows and bitter death.
2. Come, see these things and ponder,
 Your soul will fill with wonder,
 As blood streams from each pore.
 Through grief beyond all knowing,
 From His great heart came flowing
 Sighs welling from its deepest core.

THE DARKNESS OF BEING NAILED TO THE CROSS

The Third Lesson:*They Crucify Him*

RESPONSIVE READING

L: While I was with you daily in the temple, you did not lay hands on Me.

C: But this is Your hour and the power of darkness.

L: He is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so He opened not His mouth. He was cut off out of the land of the living; for the transgressions of My people was He stricken.

C: He has poured out His soul unto death, and was numbered with the transgressors. For the transgression of my people He was stricken.

THE DARKNESS OF REJECTION BY THE WORLD

The Fourth Lesson:

Jesus Is Mocked

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

LSB 425

1. When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of glory died,
My riches gain I count but loss
And pour contempt on all my pride.
2. Forbid it Lord, that I should boast
Save in the death of Christ, my God;
All vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to His blood.
3. See, from His head, His hands, His feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down.
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?
4. Were the whole realm of nature mine
That were a tribute far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.

THE DARKNESS OF LEAVING THIS WORLD

The Fifth Lesson:

A Robber Comes to Faith

HYMN

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God

TLH 147

1. Oh Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world,
Have mercy upon us!
2. Oh Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world,
Have mercy upon us!
3. Oh Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world,
Grant us Thy peace!

THE DARKNESS OF DEATH

The Sixth Lesson:

Three Dark Hours

HYMN *O Sacred Head* LSB 450 (v. 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 DARKNESS OF THE TOMB

The Seventh Lesson:

Jesus Dies

THE LORD'S PRAYER (whispered softly by all)

1. O darkest woe!
Ye tears, forth flow!
Has earth so sad a wonder?
God the Father's only Son
Now is buried yonder.
2. O sorrow dread!
God's Son is dead!
But by His expiation
Of our guilt upon the cross
Gained for us salvation.
3. Lo, stained with blood,
The Lamb of God,
The Bridegroom, lies before thee,
Pouring out His life that He
May to life restore Thee.

THE BIBLE IS CLOSED - SIGNIFYING JESUS' DEATH
(When all have spoken a silent prayer, let them depart in silence.)

THE PEACE OF THE LORD GO WITH YOU
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FESTIVAL OF EASTER DRIVE-IN SERVICES (TUNE RADIO TO **FM 90.1**)

Saturday—3:30, 5:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday—6:30, 8:00, 9:20, 10:30 a.m., and Noon

EASTER 8:00 a.m. RADIO BROADCAST on KFUE AM 850

Overflow parking will be available also on the East lot since the FM 90.1 frequency is strong enough to reach it.

When the service is over, you may exit directly on to Barracksview Road or on to Peace Haven (gate is unlocked) where the Ushers will receive your offerings.

SERVING IN OUR WORSHIP TODAY:

Preacher: Rev. Jerry Joersz
Liturgists: Rev. Dennis A. Kastens and Rev. Jon C. Furgeson
Organist: Burnell Hackman
Cantor: Scott Kennebeck