



Good Friday, April 2, 2010

7:00 P.M. Veneration of the Cross and St. John Passion

Welcome!

We are glad you are worshipping with us.

Tonight, in solemn worship, we gather with Christians throughout the world to commemorate the costly love of Christ, who bore the sins of the world.

Some helpful notes for worship tonight :

- + When praying, feel free to use the kneelers attached to each pew.
- + At the moment of reverencing the cross, feel free to come up to the cross and pause, to kneel in front of it, to touch the cross, even to kiss the cross.
- + We will depart in silence.

Gathering

Stand

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

- ☐ Let us pray.
- ☑ **Almighty God, look with loving mercy on your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, to be given over to the hands of sinners, and to suffer death on the cross; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.**

Word

Sit

THE PSALM 22

REFRAIN (Sung by leader, then all; sung by all at each ☑):

My God, my God, why have you for- sak - en me?

The image shows a musical staff with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody consists of the following notes: C4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), F#4 (quarter), G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), B4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), G4 (quarter), F#4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), C4 (quarter). The lyrics are written below the staff, aligned with the notes.

VERSES (Sung by leaders):

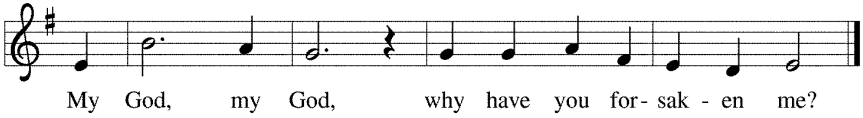
My God, my God, why have you for- | saken me*

and are so far from my cry, and from the words of | my distress?

- ² **O my God, I cry in the daytime, but you | do not answer;***
by night as well, but I | find no rest.

³ Yet you are the | Holy One,*
enthroned upon the prais- | es of Israel.

Our ancestors put their | trust in you;*
they trusted, and you de- | livered them. 📖



⁵ They cried out to you and | were delivered;*
they trusted in you and were not | put to shame.

⁶ **But as for me, I am a worm and | not a man,***
scorned by all and despised | by the people.

⁷ All who see me laugh | me to scorn;*
they curl their lips and wag | their heads, saying,

⁸ **“He trusted in the LORD; let him de- | liver him;***
let him rescue him, if he de- | lights in him.” 📖

⁹ Yet you are the one who took me out | of the womb,*
and kept me safe upon my | mother’s breast.

¹⁰ **I have been entrusted to you ever since | I was born;***
you were my God hen I was still in my | mother’s womb.

¹¹ Be not far from me, for trou- | ble is near,*
and there is | none to help.

¹² **Many young bulls en- | circle me;***
strong bulls of Ba- | shan surround me. 📖

¹³ They open wide their | jaws at me,*
like a ravening and a | roaring lion.

¹⁴ **I am poured out like water; all my bones are | out of joint;***
my heart within my breast is | melting wax.

¹⁵ My mouth is dried out like a pot-sherd;
my tongue sticks to the roof | of my mouth,*
and you have laid me in the dust | of the grave.

¹⁶ **Packs of dogs close me in, and gangs of evildoers cir- | cle around me;***
they pierce my hands and my feet, I can count | all my bones. 📖

¹⁷ They stare and goad | over me;*
they divide my garments among them; they cast lots | for my clothing.

¹⁸ **Be not far a- | way, O LORD;***
you are my strength; hast- | en to help me.

- 19 Save me | from the sword,*
my life from the power | of the dog.
- 20 **Save me from the | lion's mouth,***
my wretched body from the horns | of wild bulls. ☩
- 21 I will declare your name to | the community,*
in the midst of the congregation | I will praise you.
- 22 **Praise the LORD, you that | are God-fearing;*
stand in awe of the LORD, O offspring of Israel;
all you of Jacob's | line, give glory. ☩**
- 23 For the LORD does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty;
neither is the LORD'S face hid- | den from them,*
but when they cry out, | the LORD hears them.
- 24 **My praise is of God in the | great assembly;*
I will perform my vows in the presence of those who wor- | ship
the LORD.**
- 25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
and those who seek the LORD | shall give praise:*
"May your heart | live forever!"
- 26 **All the ends of the earth shall remember and | turn to God,*
and all the families of the nations shall bow be- | fore the LORD. ☩**
- 27 For kingship belongs | to the LORD,*
who rules over the nations.
- 28 **To the LORD alone all who sleep in the earth bow | down in worship;*
all who go down to the dust | fall before the LORD.**
- 29 My soul shall live for God; my descendants shall | serve the LORD;*
they shall be known as the | LORD'S forever.
- 30 **They shall come and make known to a people | yet unborn*
the saving deeds that | God has done. ☩**

Stand

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

- ☩ The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
☩ **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Sit

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 18:1-19:42

- ☩ The Gospel of the Lord.
☩ **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Stand

THE HYMN OF THE DAY They Crucified My Lord

ELW # 350

Kneel or sit

THE BIDDING PRAYER

☐ ...through Christ, our Lord. ☑ **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

☑ **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**

Stand

THE PROCESSION OF THE CROSS



- ☐ Behold the life-giving cross,
on which was hung the Savior of | the whole world.
- ☑ **Oh, come, let us | worship him.**

Sit

MOMENTS FOR REVERENCING THE CROSS

CHANT

Stay Here

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**Stay here and keep watch with me, the hour has come;
Stay here and keep watch with me, watch and pray.**

AFFIRMATION OF BELIEF

We Glory in Your Cross

- ☐ We glory in your cross...has come into the world.
- ☐ We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.
- ☑ **By your holy cross you have redeemed the world.**

Stand

FINAL HYMN

Tree of Life and Endless Mystery

ELW # 334

Verses one and five

All depart in silence. If you have not done so earlier, you may reverence the cross before departing.

Thanks to Leslie Marchesi-Hughes, Sarah Zalewski and Lori Visalga for preparing the church school children to participate in this service.