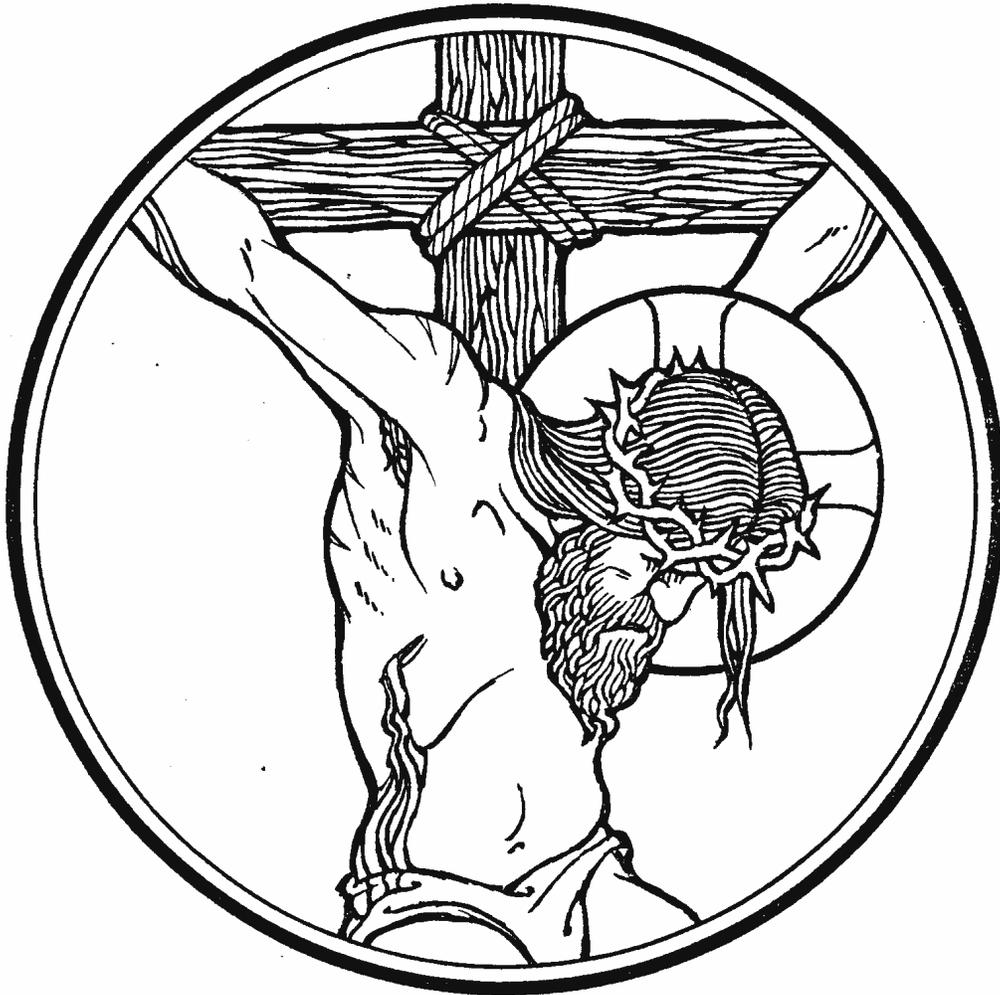


Good Friday Tenebrae Vespers

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Members - "Have no fear little flock!" Luke 12:32

Our Lord is yet gracious and merciful in these uncertain times. In the midst of the many changes to our daily lives and routines, God's Word and His love for you remains certain and steadfast. May this bulletin be a blessing to you as we remain, together, IN THE WORD.

Please print this bulletin which contains the entire service (hymns, propers, prayers, etc) or merely open on your phone, tablet or computer. If you have a hymnal at home, that would also be helpful. If you need a hymnal from church, please retrieve yours from your member mailbox or call us and we will drop it off on your doorstep!

To view the actual service*, please go to our website www.adventlutheran.org home page and click on the link to our YouTube channel, where *services will be streamed and available for watching at any time*. Also see links for the Service Bulletins, Weekly Prayer Guide, Announcements, and Sunday School lessons.

*Barring technical difficulties, the **Saturday Easter Vigil** will begin streaming at 6:55pm, the **Easter Sunday** service will begin streaming at 8:10am, the Sunday Bible Study will begin streaming at 9:35am (we will start the streams *five minutes prior* to normal start times).

For those of you with SmartTVs, you also may download the YouTube app and search for our channel: "Advent Lutheran Church - LCMS - Zionsville, IN" *Please be patient with us as we work with a new medium for sharing our services online*. If you are in need and desire the Sacrament, there is also a link to SignUpGenius on our website where you may choose a 15min time to meet the pastor(s) here at Church. As appropriate, the pastors also stand ready to deliver the Lord's gifts to you in your home or elsewhere. The Word of the Lord endures forever!

While remaining in the Word by participating in our Livestream services is of great blessing and importance, please do not neglect your daily prayers and devotions! Now is a good time for fathers (and mothers) to put into practice what God has asked of you. For some, this may be a new venture, for others, let this be a gentle reminder. In the Small Catechism, Luther encourages such in this way: "As the head of the family should teach them in a simple way to his household." All of you should have a Small Catechism at home. Also, our hymnal, the Lutheran Service Book, includes the Small Catechism as well as Daily Prayers that the heads of households may use for family devotions. Hopefully you are also using our Lent Devotional "Eyes on Jesus"!

Have no fear little flock!

Psalm 46



About tonight's Service . . .

Good Friday is part of the sacred Triduum, the three-day observance of Christ's Passion. The name may originally have been "God's Friday," but it is certainly also "good" because of the good gifts Christ won for us on this day. Good Friday is not observed as a funeral for Christ. It is a day of repentance over sin and restrained joy and praise for the redemption Christ accomplished for us on the cross. In keeping with this character, music is kept to a minimum, though not silenced. Elaborate words of praise are omitted. The altar remains bare, having been stripped on Holy (Maundy) Thursday. The service of Tenebrae (meaning "darkness") consists of the extinguishing of the seven altar candles (lights as well) as we progress through the reading of the Passion account. The Strepitus occurs after the last candle is extinguished. It consists of a loud noise that has a variety of interpretations, including the scourging by the soldiers, the earthquake at the moment of Christ's death, or the closing of the tomb. The chancel area is also draped in black, signifying the totality and completeness of our Lord's suffering and death. As with last night's service, we leave again in silence and without the traditional Benediction, awaiting and anticipating the resurrection of our Lord and the culmination of His victory over sin, death and the devil for us.



The pastors enter in silence.

Opening Versicles

- P** O Lord, open my lips, *Psalm 51:15*
C and my mouth will declare Your praise.
P Make haste, O God, to deliver me; *Psalm 70:1*
C make haste to help me, O Lord.
P O Lord, do not be far off! Come quickly to my aid! *Psalm 22:19*
C Serve the Lord with fear, and rejoice with trembling, for his wrath is quickly kindled. *Psalm 2:11,12b*
P Forsake me not, O God of my salvation *Psalm 27:9c*
C Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin! *Psalm 51:2*
 Praise to You, O Christ, Lamb of our salvation.

Hymn

Sing, My Tongue, the Glorious Battle

#454 sts. 1-4

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| <p>1 Sing, my tongue, the glorious battle;
 Sing the ending of the fray.
 Now above the cross, the trophy,
 Sound the loud triumphant lay;
 Tell how Christ, the world's redeemer,
 As a victim won the day.</p> | <p>3 Thus, with thirty years accomplished,
 He went forth from Nazareth,
 Destined, dedicated, willing,
 Did His work, and met His death;
 Like a lamb He humbly yielded
 On the cross His dying breath.</p> |
| <p>2 Tell how, when at length the fullness
 Of the appointed time was come,
 He, the Word, was born of woman,
 Left for us His Father's home,
 Blazed the path of true obedience,
 Shone as light amidst the gloom.</p> | <p>4 Faithful cross, true sign of triumph,
 Be for all the noblest tree;
 None in foliage, none in blossom,
 None in fruit thine equal be;
 Symbol of the world's redemption,
 For the weight that hung on thee!</p> |

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Psalmody

Psalm 31:1-17 (antiphon v. 24)

- P** Be strong, and let your heart take courage, all you who wait for the Lord!
C In you, O LORD, do I take refuge; let me never be put to shame. In your righteousness deliver me!
P Incline your ear to me; rescue me speedily! Be a rock of refuge for me, a strong fortress to save me!
C For you are my rock and my fortress; and for your name's sake you lead me and guide me;
P You take me out of the net they have hidden for me, for you are my refuge.
C Into your hand I commit my spirit; you have redeemed me, O LORD, faithful God.
P I hate those who pay regard to worthless idols, but I trust in the LORD.
C I will rejoice and be glad in your steadfast love, because you have seen my affliction; you have known the distress of my soul,
P and you have not delivered me into the hand of the enemy; you have set my feet in a broad place.
C Be gracious to me, O LORD, for I am in distress; my eye is wasted from grief; my soul and my body also.

- P** For my life is spent with sorrow, and my years with sighing; my strength fails because of my iniquity, and my bones waste away.
- C** 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.
- P** I have been forgotten like one who is dead; I have become like a broken vessel.
- C** For I hear the whispering of many—terror on every side, as they scheme together against me, as they plot to take my life.
- P** But I trust in you, LORD; I say, “You are my God.”
- C** My times are in your hand; rescue me from the hand of my enemies and from my persecutors!
- P** Make your face shine on your servant; save me in your steadfast love!
- C** 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.
- P** Be strong, and let your heart take courage, all you who wait for the LORD!

(1st candle is extinguished)

The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ

Hymn

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

#450 sts. 1-2

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| <p>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.</p> | <p>2 How pale Thou art with anguish,
With sore abuse and scorn!
How doth Thy face now languish
That once was bright as morn!
Grim death, with cruel rigor,
Hath robbed Thee of Thy life;
Thus Thou hast lost Thy vigor,
Thy strength, in this sad strife.</p> |
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Reading of the Passion

John 19:1-16a

¹Then Pilate took Jesus and flogged him. ²And the soldiers twisted together a crown of thorns and put it on his head and arrayed him in a purple robe. ³They came up to him, saying, “Hail, King of the Jews!” and struck him with their hands. ⁴Pilate went out again and said to them, “See, I am bringing him out to you that you may know that I find no guilt in him.” ⁵So Jesus came out, wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe. Pilate said to them, “Behold the man!” ⁶When the chief priests and the officers saw him, they cried out, “Crucify him, crucify him!” Pilate said to them, “Take him yourselves and crucify him, for I find no guilt in him.” ⁷The Jews answered him, “We have a law, and according to that law he ought to die because he has made himself the Son of God.” ⁸When Pilate heard this statement, he was even more afraid. ⁹He entered his headquarters again and said to Jesus, “Where are you from?” But Jesus gave him no answer. ¹⁰So Pilate said to him, “You will not speak to me? Do you not know that I have authority to release you and authority to crucify you?” ¹¹Jesus answered him, “You would have no authority over me at all unless it had been given you from above. Therefore he who delivered me over to you has the greater sin.”

¹²From then on Pilate sought to release him, but the Jews cried out, “If you release this man, you are not Caesar’s friend. Everyone who makes himself a king opposes Caesar.” ¹³So when Pilate heard these words, he brought Jesus out and sat down on the judgment seat at a place called The Stone Pavement, and in

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

(2^d candle is extinguished)

Hymn

O Sacred Head Now Wounded

#450 sts. 3-4

3 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.

4 My Shepherd, now receive me;
My Guardian, own me Thine.
Great blessings Thou didst give me,
O Source of gifts divine.
Thy lips have often fed me
With words of truth and love;
Thy Spirit oft hath led me
To heav'nly joys above.

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Reading of the Passion

John 19:16b-27

So they took Jesus, ¹⁷and he went out, bearing his own cross, to the place called the place of a skull, which in Aramaic is called Golgotha. ¹⁸There they crucified him, and with him two others, one on either side, and Jesus between them. ¹⁹Pilate also wrote an inscription and put it on the cross. It read, "Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews." ²⁰Many of the Jews read this inscription, for the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city, and it was written in Aramaic, in Latin, and in Greek. ²¹So the chief priests of the Jews said to Pilate, "Do not write, 'The King of the Jews,' but rather, 'This man said, I am King of the Jews.'" ²²Pilate answered, "What I have written I have written."

²³When the soldiers had crucified Jesus, they took his garments and divided them into four parts, one part for each soldier; also his tunic. But the tunic was seamless, woven in one piece from top to bottom, ²⁴so they said to one another, "Let us not tear it, but cast lots for it to see whose it shall be." This was to fulfill the Scripture which says,

"They divided my garments among them,
and for my clothing they cast lots."

So the soldiers did these things, ²⁵but standing by the cross of Jesus were his mother and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. ²⁶When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to his mother, "Woman, behold, your son!" ²⁷Then he said to the disciple, "Behold, your mother!" And from that hour the disciple took her to his own home.

(3rd candle is extinguished)

Hymn

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

#450 sts. 5-6

5 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.

6 My Savior, be Thou near me
When death is at my door;
Then let Thy presence cheer me,
Forsake me nevermore!
When soul and body languish,
O leave me not alone,
But take away mine anguish
By virtue of Thine own!

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²⁸After this, Jesus, knowing that all was now finished, said (to fulfill the Scripture), “I thirst.” ²⁹A 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. ³⁰When Jesus had received the sour wine, he said, “It is finished,” and he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

³¹Since it was the day of Preparation, and so that the bodies would not remain on the cross on the Sabbath (for that Sabbath was a high day), the Jews asked Pilate that their legs might be broken and that they might be taken away. ³²So the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first, and of the other who had been crucified with him. ³³But when they came to Jesus and saw that he was already dead, they did not break his legs. ³⁴But one of the soldiers pierced his side with a spear, and at once there came out blood and water. ³⁵He who saw it has borne witness—his testimony is true, and he knows that he is telling the truth—that you also may believe. ³⁶For these things took place that the Scripture might be fulfilled: “Not one of his bones will be broken.” ³⁷And again another Scripture says, “They will look on him whom they have pierced.”

(4th candle is extinguished)

Hymn

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

#450 st. 7

7 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.

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Reading of the Passion

John 19:38-42

³⁸After these things Joseph of Arimathea, who was a disciple of Jesus, but secretly for fear of the Jews, asked Pilate that he might take away the body of Jesus, and Pilate gave him permission. So he came and took away his body. ³⁹Nicodemus also, who earlier had come to Jesus by night, came bringing a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about seventy-five pounds in weight. ⁴⁰So they took the body of Jesus and bound it in linen cloths with the spices, as is the burial custom of the Jews. ⁴¹Now in the place where he was crucified there was a garden, and in the garden a new tomb in which no one had yet been laid. ⁴²So because of the Jewish day of Preparation, since the tomb was close at hand, they laid Jesus there.

(5th candle is extinguished)

Responsory

1 John 2:1-2; [Mark 10:33]; Psalm 32:1

- P** We have an advocate with the Father; Jesus is the propitiation for our sins.
- C** He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.
- P** Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven and whose sin is put away.
- C** He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.
- P** We have an advocate with the Father; Jesus is the propitiation for our sins.
- C** He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.

- 1 Stricken, smitten, and afflicted,
See Him dying on the tree!
'Tis the Christ, by man rejected;
Yes, my soul, 'tis He, 'tis He!
'Tis the long-expected Prophet,
David's Son, yet David's Lord;
Proofs I see sufficient of it:
'Tis the true and faithful Word.
- 2 Tell me, ye who hear Him groaning,
Was there ever grief like His?
Friends through fear His cause disowning,
Foes insulting His distress;
Many hands were raised to wound Him,
None would intervene to save;
But the deepest stroke that pierced Him
Was the stroke that justice gave.
- 3 Ye who think of sin but lightly
Nor suppose the evil great
Here may view its nature rightly,
Here its guilt may estimate.
Mark the sacrifice appointed,
See who bears the awful load;
'Tis the Word, the Lord's anointed,
Son of Man and Son of God.
- 4 Here we have a firm foundation,
Here the refuge of the lost:
Christ, the Rock of our salvation,
Is the name of which we boast;
Lamb of God, for sinners wounded,
Sacrifice to cancel guilt!
None shall ever be confounded
Who on Him their hope have built.

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Sermon

(6th candle is extinguished)

Anthem

Upon the Cross Extended (Isaac)

Izzy and Celia Casciani, vocalists

*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.*

*Who is it, Lord, that bruised You? Who has so sore abused You and caused You all Your woe?
We all must make confession of sin and dire transgression while You no ways of evil know.*

*Your cords of love, my Savior, bind me to You forever, I am no longer mine.
To You I gladly tender all that my life can render and all I have to You resign.*

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Prayers

- P** Lord, have mercy.
- C** Lord, have mercy.
- P** Christ, have mercy.
- C** Christ, have mercy.
- P** Lord, have mercy.
- C** Lord, have mercy.

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.

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

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.

C Amen.

(7th & final candle is extinguished, symbolizing Christ's death. A loud sound is heard, the "Strepitus" which traditionally symbolizes one of the following: the separation of Jesus as the sin-bearer and/or the closing of the tomb.)

Strepitus & Collect

P Let us pray.

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 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.

(The 7th candle is relit, symbolizing Christ's defeat of sin, death, and the devil.)

We depart in silence, to keep vigil and await the blessing and joy of His resurrection.



Upcoming Service Streaming Schedule

Holy Saturday Vigil Service	7:00pm
The Resurrection of Our Lord	
Easter Divine Service	8:15am

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