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Sharing Jesus Christ's love with those around us.

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GOOD FRIDAY

GENERAL NOTES

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- 1. 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.
- 2. Good Friday is not observed as a funeral for Christ. It is a day for 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 Thursday.
- 3. The service of Tenebrae (meaning "darkness") consists of the extinguishing of the church lights. Historically it occurred early in the morning at the Office of Matins and Lauds on all three days of the Triduum. In recent times, the service has been observed only on the evening of Good Friday.

AS WE GATHER

It seems strange to call this day "good." After all, on this day, Jesus, our Savior and Lord, was tortured, beaten, spit upon, and brutally crucified on a cross. What is good about that? Actually, the goodness of this day is extensive and amazing. At the cross, God's plan to redeem the world came to full fruition. Rather than ignore our sin, pretend it away, or eternally turn away from us, God became one of us, and in an act of pure self-sacrifice and love, Jesus willingly suffered the worst. For you. For me. For the world. Ours is not a God who says to us, "If you obey Me well enough, then I might love you." Our God says to us at the outset, "I love you. I willingly gave My life for yours. If you want to see the extent of My love, look to the cross. Let My love draw you to hear and obey Me." So today's service is not a funeral for Jesus. It is a way to remember the events of Jesus' death—including the allusions to it already in the Old Testament. It is an occasion for us to be drawn closer in love to the God who loves us unconditionally. It is an occasion to weep over our sin that made the crucifixion of Jesus necessary. It is an occasion to rejoice in the forgiveness and peace that comes from putting our faith in our crucified Lord. It is an occasion to marvel at the breadth, height, and depth of God's love for us. Yes, it is Good Friday.

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

(The congregation and pastor enter in silence.)

(Stand)

OPENING VERSICLES

Pastor O Lord, open my lips,

People and my mouth will declare Your praise.

Pastor Make haste, O God, to deliver me; People make haste to help me, O Lord.

All Praise to You, O Christ, Lamb of our salvation.

INTROIT *Psalm 38:8, 22; antiphon: Isaiah 53:5*

Pastor He was wounded for our transgressions;

He was crushed for our iniquities;

People upon Him was the chastisement that brought us peace,

and with His stripes we are healed.

Pastor I confess my iniquity;
People I am sorry for my sin.

Pastor Make haste to help me,
People O Lord, my salvation!

Pastor He was wounded for our transgressions;

He was crushed for our iniquities;

People upon Him was the chastisement that brought us peace,

and with His stripes we are healed.

HYMN - "The Old Rugged Cross"

On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross
The emblem of suff'ring and shame
And I love that old cross where the dearest and best
For a world of lost sinners was slain
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

O that old rugged cross, so despised by the world Has a wondrous attraction for me For the dear Lamb of God left His glory above To bear it to dark Calvary 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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor

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.

People Amen.

(Sit)

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 52:13-53:12

(Isaiah describes a suffering servant who has "borne our griefs and carried our sorrows.")

Reader

The Old Testament Reading for Good Friday is from Isaiah, chapters 52 and 53.

¹³Behold, my servant shall act wisely; he shall be high and lifted up, and shall be exalted. ¹⁴As many were astonished at you his appearance was so marred, beyond human semblance, and his form beyond that of the children of mankind— ¹⁵so shall he sprinkle many nations; kings shall shut their mouths because of him; for that which has not been told them they see, and that which they have not heard they understand. ¹Who has believed what they heard from us? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed? ²For he grew up before him like a young plant, and like a root out of dry ground; he had no form or majesty that we should look at him, and no beauty that we should desire him. ³He was despised and rejected by men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief;

and as one from whom men hide their faces

he was despised, and we esteemed him not. ⁴Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. ⁵But he was wounded for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his stripes we are healed. ⁶All 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. ⁷He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he opened not his mouth. ⁸By oppression and judgment he was taken away; and as for his generation, who considered that he was cut off out of the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people? ⁹And they made his grave with the wicked and with a rich man in his death, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth. ¹⁰Yet it was the will of the Lord to crush him; he has put him to grief; when his soul makes an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring; he shall prolong his days; the will of the LORD shall prosper in his hand. ¹¹Out of the anguish of his soul he shall see and be satisfied; by his knowledge shall the righteous one, my servant, make many to be accounted righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. ¹²Therefore I will divide him a portion with the many, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong,

because he poured out his soul to death and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and makes intercession for the transgressors.

Reader This is the Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL Hebrews 9:12a, c, 15a; Psalm 111:9a

Reader Christ entered once for all into the holy places, by means of

His own blood,

People thus securing an eternal redemption.

Reader Therefore He is the mediator of a new covenant,

People so that those who are called may receive the promised

eternal inheritance.

Reader He sent redemption to His people;

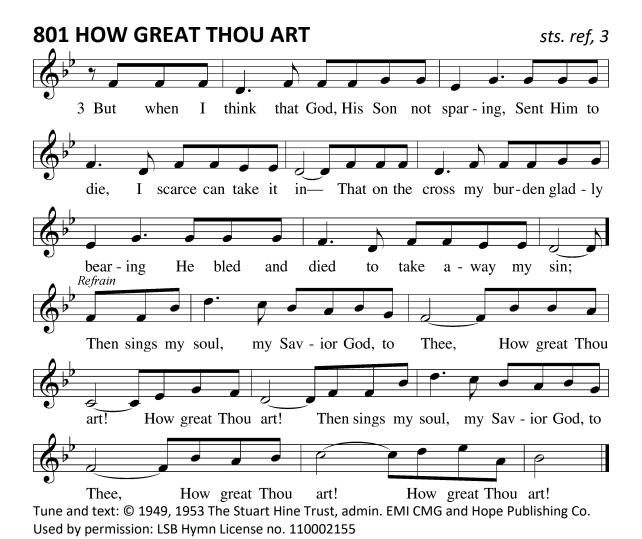
People He has commanded His covenant forever.

EPISTLE *Hebrews 4:14–16; 5:7–9*

(Jesus' death on the cross for us reveals that He sympathizes with all of our weaknesses and is the source of eternal salvation for all who trust in Him.)

¹⁴Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. ¹⁵For 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. ¹⁶Let 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. . . .

⁷In 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. ⁸Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered. ⁹And being made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him.



SERMON

RESPONSORY

Pastor Behold, the life-giving cross on which was hung the salvation

of the world.

People O come, let us worship Him.

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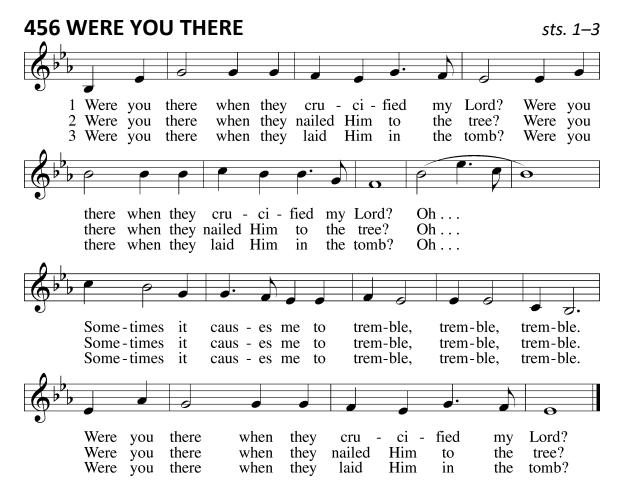
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(Stand)

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Pastor O Lord,

People have mercy.

Pastor O Christ,

People have mercy.

Pastor O Lord,

People have mercy.

Pastor O Christ, **People** hear us.

Pastor God the Father in heaven,

People have mercy.

Pastor God the Son, Redeemer of the world,

People have mercy.

Pastor God the Holy Spirit,

People have mercy.

Pastor

People

Pastor

Spare us, good Lord.

Pastor

Be gracious to us.

People

Help us, good Lord.

Pastor From all sin, from all error, from all evil;

From the crafts and assaults of the devil; from sudden and evil

death;

From pestilence and famine; from war and bloodshed; from

sedition and from rebellion;

From lightning and tempest; from all calamity by fire and

water; and from everlasting death:

People Good Lord, deliver us.

Pastor By the mystery of Your holy incarnation; by Your holy nativity;

By Your baptism, fasting, and temptation; by Your agony and bloody sweat; by Your cross and passion; by Your precious

death and burial;

By Your glorious resurrection and ascension; and by the

coming of the Holy Spirit, the Comforter:

People Help us, good Lord.

Pastor In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our prosperity; in the

hour of death; and in the day of judgment:

People Help us, good Lord.

Pastor We poor sinners implore You

People to hear us, O Lord.

Pastor

To rule and govern Your holy Christian Church; to preserve all pastors and ministers of Your Church in the true knowledge and understanding of Your wholesome Word and to sustain them in holy living;

To put an end to all schisms and causes of offense; to bring into the way of truth all who have erred and are deceived; To beat down Satan under our feet; to send faithful laborers into Your harvest; and to accompany Your Word with Your grace and Spirit:

People We implore You to hear us, good Lord.

Pastor To raise those who fall and to strengthen those who stand; and

to comfort and help the weakhearted and the distressed:

People We implore You to hear us, good Lord.

Pastor To give to all peoples concord and peace; to preserve our land

from discord and strife; to give our country Your protection in

every time of need;

To direct and defend our president and all in authority; to bless

and protect our magistrates and all our people;

To watch over and help all who are in danger, necessity, and

tribulation; to protect and guide all who travel;

To grant all women with child, and all mothers with infant children, increasing happiness in their blessings; to defend all

orphans and widows and provide for them;

To strengthen and keep all sick persons and young children; to

free those in bondage; and to have mercy on us all:

People We implore You to hear us, good Lord.

Pastor To forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers and to

turn their hearts; to give and preserve for our use the kindly

fruits of the earth; and graciously to hear our prayers:

People We implore You to hear us, good Lord.

Pastor Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God,
People we implore You to hear us.

Pastor Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,

People have mercy.

Pastor Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,

People have mercy.

Pastor Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,

People grant us Your peace.

Pastor O Christ,
People hear us.
Pastor O Lord,

People have mercy.
Pastor O Christ,

People have mercy.

Pastor O Lord,

People have mercy. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

People 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.

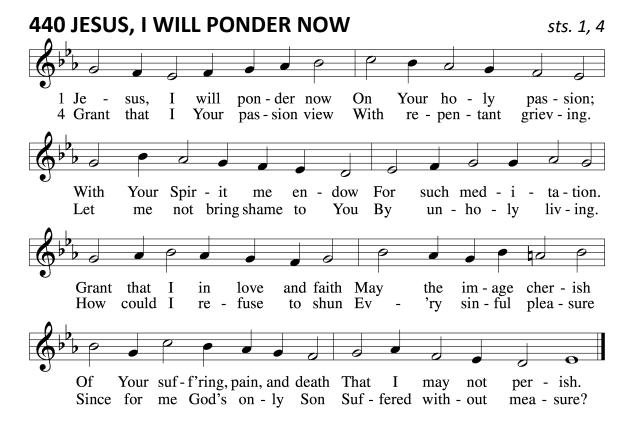
For Thine is the kingdom

and the power and the glory

forever and ever. Amen.

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+ SERVICE OF DARKNESS +



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FIRST GOSPEL READING

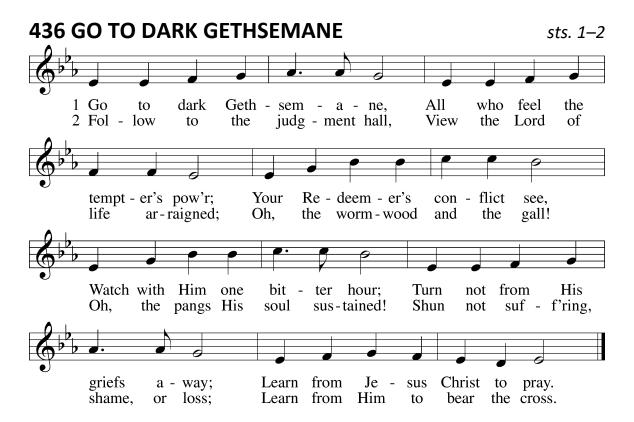
John 18:1-11

(Betrayal and arrest of Jesus)

¹When Jesus had spoken these words, he went out with his disciples across the Kidron Valley, where there was a garden, which he and his disciples entered. ²Now Judas, who betrayed him, also knew the place, for Jesus often met there with his disciples. ³So Judas, having procured a band of soldiers and some officers from the chief priests and the Pharisees, went there with lanterns and torches and weapons. ⁴Then Jesus, knowing all that would happen to him, came forward and said to them, "Whom do you seek?" ⁵They answered him, "Jesus of Nazareth." Jesus said to them, "I am he." Judas, who betrayed him, was standing with them. ⁶When Jesus said to them, "I am he," they drew back and fell to the ground. ⁵So he asked them again, "Whom do you seek?" And they said, "Jesus of Nazareth." ³Jesus answered, "I told you that I am he. So, if you seek me, let these men go." ¹This was to fulfill the

word that he had spoken: "Of those whom you gave me I have lost not one." ¹⁰Then Simon Peter, having a sword, drew it and struck the high priest's servant and cut off his right ear. (The servant's name was Malchus.) ¹¹So Jesus said to Peter, "Put your sword into its sheath; shall I not drink the cup that the Father has given me?"

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SECOND GOSPEL READING

John 18:12–27

(Jesus before the High Priest and the denial of Peter)

¹²So the band of soldiers and their captain and the officers of the Jews arrested Jesus and bound him. ¹³First they led him to Annas, for he was the father-in-law of Caiaphas, who was high priest that year. ¹⁴It was Caiaphas who had advised the Jews that it would be expedient that one man should die for the people.

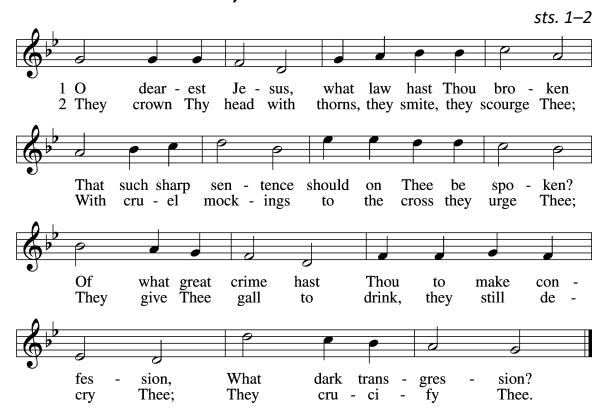
¹⁵Simon Peter followed Jesus, and so did another disciple. Since that disciple was known to the high priest, he entered with Jesus into the court of the high priest, ¹⁶but Peter stood outside at the door. So the other disciple, who was known to the high priest, went out and spoke to the servant girl who kept watch at the door, and brought Peter in. ¹⁷The servant girl at the door said to Peter, "You also are not one of this man's disciples, are you?" He said, "I am not." ¹⁸Now the servants and officers had made a charcoal fire, because it was cold, and they were standing and warming themselves. Peter also was with them, standing and warming himself.

¹⁹The high priest then questioned Jesus about his disciples and his teaching. ²⁰Jesus answered him, "I have spoken openly to the world. I have always taught in synagogues and in the temple, where all Jews come together. I have said nothing in secret. ²¹Why do you ask me? Ask those who have heard me what I said to them; they know what I said." ²²When he had said these things, one of the officers standing by struck Jesus with his hand, saying, "Is that how you answer the high priest?" ²³Jesus answered him, "If what I said is wrong, bear witness about the wrong; but if what I said is right, why do you strike me?" ²⁴Annas then sent him bound to Caiaphas the high priest.

²⁵Now Simon Peter was standing and warming himself. So they said to him, "You also are not one of his disciples, are you?" He denied it and said, "I am not." ²⁶One of the servants of the high priest, a relative of the man whose ear Peter had cut off, asked, "Did I not see you in the garden with him?" ²⁷Peter again denied it, and at once a rooster crowed.

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439 O DEAREST JESUS, WHAT LAW HAST THOU BROKEN



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THIRD GOSPEL READING

John 18:28-40

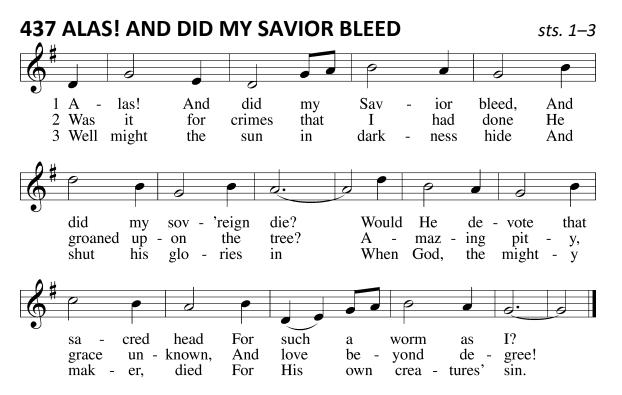
(Jesus before Pilate)

²⁸Then they led Jesus from the house of Caiaphas to the governor's headquarters. It was early morning. They themselves did not enter the governor's headquarters, so that they would not be defiled, but could eat the Passover. ²⁹So Pilate went outside to them and said, "What accusation do you bring against this man?" ³⁰They answered him, "If this man were not doing evil, we would not have delivered him over to you." ³¹Pilate said to them, "Take him yourselves and judge him by your own law." The Jews said to him, "It is not lawful for us to put anyone to death." ³²This was to fulfill the word that Jesus had spoken to show by what kind of death he was going to die.

³³So Pilate entered his headquarters again and called Jesus and said to him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" ³⁴Jesus answered, "Do you say this of your own accord, or did others say it to you about me?" ³⁵Pilate answered, "Am I a Jew? Your own nation and the chief priests have delivered you over to me. What have you done?" ³⁶Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not of this world. If my kingdom were of this world, my servants would have been fighting, that I might not be delivered over to the Jews. But my kingdom is not from the world." ³⁷Then Pilate said to him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this purpose I was born and for this purpose I have come into the world—to bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth listens to my voice." ³⁸Pilate said to him, "What is truth?"

After he had said this, he went back outside to the Jews and told them, "I find no guilt in him. ³⁹But you have a custom that I should release one man for you at the Passover. So do you want me to release to you the King of the Jews?" ⁴⁰They cried out again, "Not this man, but Barabbas!" Now Barabbas was a robber.

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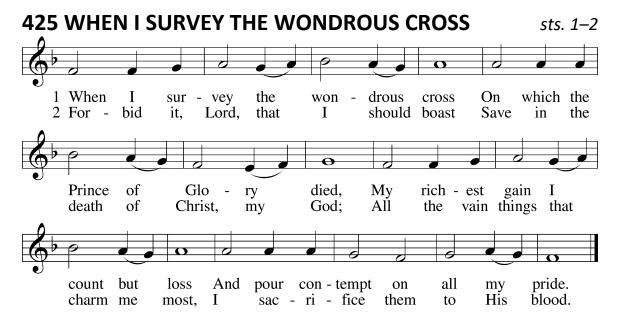
John 19:1–16a

(Jesus prepared for crucifixion)

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.

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FIFTH GOSPEL READING

John 19:16b-24

(The crucifixion of Jesus)

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,

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SIXTH GOSPEL READING

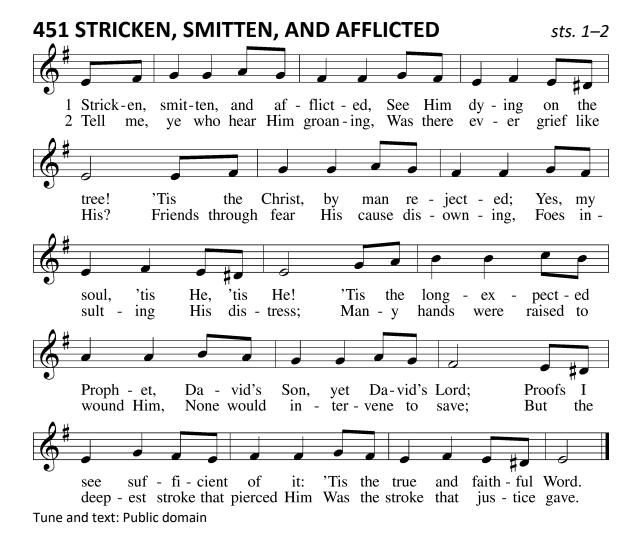
John 19:25-30

(Jesus' mother and His death)

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.

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.

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SEVENTH GOSPEL READING

John 19:31-42

(Jesus' side is pierced)

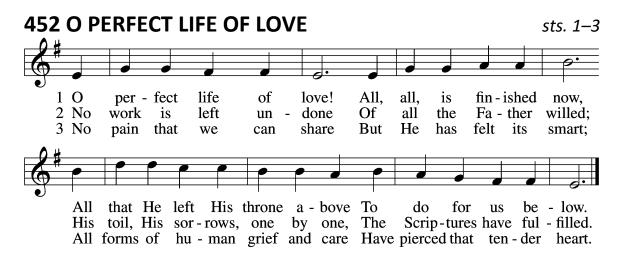
³¹Since it was the day of Preparation, and so that the bodies would not remain on the cross on the Sabbath (for that Sabbath was a high day), the Jews asked Pilate that their legs might be broken and that they might be taken away. ³²So the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first, and of the other 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."

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.

Reader This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to You, O Christ.

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STREPITUS

(The strepitus consists of a loud noise, signifying the closing of the tomb.)

CONCLUDING COLLECT

Pastor Let us pray.

We implore You, O Lord, that Your abundant blessing may be upon Your people who have held the passion and death of Your Son in devout remembrance, that we may receive Your pardon and the gift of Your comfort, and may increase in faith and take hold of eternal salvation; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and

the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People Amen.

(The pastor and congregation leave in silence.)

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