

A background of vibrant red roses, some in full bloom and others as buds, creating a rich, textured pattern. The lighting is dramatic, with deep shadows and bright highlights on the petals.

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Good Friday

IT IS FINISHED

Our Savior
Lutheran Church
Newton, Iowa

Good Friday
April 10, 2020

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April 10, 2020 - Tenebrae

INVOCATION

THE LITANY (*LSB p. 288 ff, spoken*)

OFFERING

HYMN

“Stricken, Smitten and Afflicted”
LSB 451

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

“It was the day of Preparation of Passover Week, about the sixth hour. ‘Here is your king,’ Pilate said to the Jews. But they shouted, ‘Take him away! Take him away! Crucify him!’ ‘Shall I crucify your king?’ Pilate asked. ‘We have no king but Caesar,’ the chief priests answered. Finally Pilate handed him over to them to be crucified.”

Two others, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. 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. And Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.” And they cast lots to divide his garments.

HYMN RESPONSE

“O sacred head, now wounded...”
LSB 450, Stz. 1

FIRST MEDITATION – “Crucify Him!”

(the first candle is extinguished)

SECOND READING *Luke 23:35-43*

“The people stood watching, and the rulers even sneered at him. They said, ‘He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Christ of God, the Chosen One.’ The soldiers also came up and mocked him. They offered him wine vinegar and said, ‘If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself.’ There was a written notice above him, which read: THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS. One of the criminals who hung there hurled insults at him: ‘Aren’t you the Christ? Save yourself and us!’ But the other criminal rebuked him. ‘Don’t you fear God,’ he said, ‘since you are under the same sentence? We are punished justly, for we are getting what our deeds deserve. But this man has done nothing wrong.’ Then he said, ‘Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.’ Jesus answered him, ‘I tell you the truth, today you will be with me in paradise.’”

HYMN RESPONSE

“How pale you are with anguish...”
LSB 450, Stz. 2

SECOND MEDITATION – “What about us?”

(the second candle is extinguished)

THIRD READING *John 19:25-27*

“Near the cross of Jesus stood his mother, his mother’s sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother there, and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to his mother, ‘Dear woman, here is your son,’ and to the disciple, ‘Here is your mother.’ From that time on, this disciple took her into his home.”

HYMN RESPONSE

“What Thou, my Lord, hast suffered...”
LSB 450, Stz. 3

THIRD MEDITATION – “Family First”

(the third candle is extinguished)

FOURTH READING *Matthew 27:45-47*

“From the sixth hour until the ninth hour darkness came over all the land. About the ninth hour Jesus cried out in a loud voice, ‘Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?’-- which means, ‘My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?’ When some of those standing there heard this, they said, ‘He’s calling Elijah.’”

HYMN RESPONSE

“My Shepherd, now receive me...”
LSB 450, Stz. 4

FOURTH MEDITATION – “Why?”

(the fourth candle is extinguished)

FIFTH READING *Matthew 10:38-42, John 19:28-29*

“and anyone who does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. He who receives you receives me, and he who receives me receives the one who sent me. Anyone who receives a prophet because he is a prophet will receive a prophet’s reward, and anyone who receives a righteous man because he is a righteous man will receive a righteous man’s reward. And if anyone gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones because he is my disciple, I tell you the truth, he will certainly not lose his reward.”

“Later, knowing that all was now completed, and so that the Scripture would be fulfilled, Jesus said, ‘I am thirsty.’ A jar of wine vinegar was there,

so they soaked a sponge in it, put the sponge on a stalk of the hyssop plant, and lifted it to Jesus' lips."

HYMN RESPONSE

"What language shall I borrow..."

LSB 450, Stz. 5

FIFTH MEDITATION – "Thirsty"

(the fifth candle is extinguished)

SIXTH READING *Hebrews 9:11-12, 15, 27-28; John 19:30a*

"When Christ came as high priest of the good things that are already here, he went through the greater and more perfect tabernacle that is not man-made, that is to say, not a part of this creation. He did not enter by means of the blood of goats and calves; but he entered the Most Holy Place once for all by his own blood, having obtained eternal redemption."

"For this reason Christ is the mediator of a new covenant, that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance-- now that he has died as a ransom to set them free from the sins committed under the first covenant."

"Just as man is destined to die once, and after that to face judgment, so Christ was sacrificed once to take away the sins of many people; and he will appear a second time, not to bear sin, but to bring salvation to those who are waiting for him."

"When he had received the drink, Jesus said, 'It is finished.' With that, he bowed his head and gave up his spirit."

HYMN RESPONSE

"My Savior, be Thou near me..."

LSB 450, Stz. 6

SIXTH MEDITATION – "His Work is Over"

(the sixth candle is extinguished)

SEVENTH READING *Luke 23:44-46; Matthew 27:54*

"It was now about the sixth hour, and darkness came over the whole land until the ninth hour, for the sun stopped shining. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two. Jesus called out with a loud voice, 'Father, into your hands I commit my spirit.' When he had said this, he breathed his last."

"When the centurion and those with him who were guarding Jesus saw the earthquake and all that had happened, they were terrified, and exclaimed, 'Surely he was the Son of God!'"

HYMN RESPONSE

"Be Thou my consolation..."

LSB 450, Stz. 7

SIXTH MEDITATION – “The End”

(the seventh candle is extinguished, leaving only the cross lit)

COLLECT OF THE DAY

THE STREIPTUS *(Loud Noise)*

(worshippers leave in silence to respect Jesus’ death, and return on Sunday morning to celebrate His Resurrection)

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Lord, Teach us to Pray

Remember in your prayers...

- † Those afflicted by the novel Coronavirus, as well as those who are fearful in this challenging time.
- † The birth of Jonah Richard Berndt, born on Monday, April 6 to Christopher and Karen Berndt, brother of Silas, grandson of Bob & Marsha Berndt.
- † Bob Doerring, health concerns.
- † The family of Marion Benac, who passed away on March 30th.
- † The family of Jerry Johnson, who passed away on March 18th.
- † Dale, brother of Ruth Rutter, recovering from hospitalization at home.
- † Bill Jenkins, health concerns.
- † Dan Allen, medical concerns.
- † Carole Zimmermann, health concerns.
- † Doug Ringger, health concerns.
- † Kendra Boger, health concerns.
- † Tracy Rau, daughter of Karen Doak, health concerns.
- † Marilyn Mertz, recuperating at home.
- † Shirley Suckow, residing at Park Centre.
- † Roger Breckenridge, residing at Park Centre.
- † Charlene Vesely, residing at Nelson Manor in Newton.
- † Brenda Neumann, niece of Carmen & Dorothy Sanders, diagnosed with cancer.
- † Gabe Tancer, grandson of Bill & Norma Rozendaal, diagnosed with leukemia.
- † David Beckham, Karen Doak's nephew, diagnosed with cancer.
- † The Ministry of The Pregnancy Center of Central Iowa.
- † The Malaria Initiative and the end of Malaria deaths in the world.
- † *Our Missionaries*
 - Rev. Dr. Thomas and Mary Aadland, Kenya.
 - James and Angela Sharp, Uruguay.
 - Carl & Chen Hsi Li Hanson, Korea.
 - J.P. & Aimee Cima, Cambodia-Phnom Ponh.
 - “Jesse” Narit & Naomi Phan, Stronghold, Cambodia.

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Thank you,
Chris Roby

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Announcements

BUILDING HEALTHY FAMILIES Holy Week is perhaps the most important week of the year for Christians, but it can also be somewhat of a confusing time for young children. Don't assume they know what you know (i.e., "What does Maundy mean?"; "Why ashes on Ash Wednesday?") During the week, take time to read John 18-19 with them and be ready to answer questions they may have. Take them to church services with you during Holy Week. Conclude with a reading of John 14: 1-3 and remind them that Holy Week isn't the end but only the beginning of the story! **Lutheran Family Service of Iowa** - 6200 Aurora Ave., Ste 410W, Urbandale, IA 50322 (515-251-4900)

LIFE QUOTES "For me, Holy Week offers us a glimpse into the holy and vicarious humanity of Jesus. The human Jesus struggling with His own suffering in agony is a portrait for which I am deeply thankful. Jesus struggled as I do. And while I often reluctantly say to God, 'Not my will but yours be done,' I trust that God will generate salvation out of suffering and life from death." *Margaret Manning Shull is a member of the speaking and writing team at Ravi Zacharias International Ministries in Bellingham, Washington* - A "Life Quote" from **Lutherans For Life** - www.lutheransforlife.org.

LWML BULLETIN BYTE Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) Grant #8 for the 2019-2021 biennium is Lights for Christ scholarships in Guatemala. This mission grant will provide funding to expand the Lights for Christ Program, enabling children to continue their Christian education in grades seven through twelve and rise above the poverty of their families. For more information, go to www.lwml.org/2019-2021-mission-grant-8.

VOTER'S MEETING scheduled for April is cancelled. Next one will be in July. If you have anything that needs attention before then, please contact Randy, an elder or Pastor.

WORSHIP SERVICES through April here at OSL are cancelled. We will continue to have Digital Services and bulletins posted online. Please go to our website at www.oursavlutheran.com

Please watch your email for some exciting news about Easter morning!

