



GOOD FRIDAY

April 15, 2022

Welcome to worship at Mt. Olive, we're glad you're with us today!

As We Gather

"The death of Jesus Christ, our Lord, We celebrate with one accord" (*LSB* 634:1). Those words of a Swedish hymn written in the 1600s may seem difficult for us to comprehend. What is there to celebrate? Why is today good? In Old English, the word *good* meant "sacred" or "holy"—so it would be proper to refer to this day as "Holy Friday." And yet the great goodness of God in Jesus Christ is most fully on display at the cross. Without the suffering and death of Jesus Christ, our Lord, on this day, there would be no basis for His glorious resurrection in three days. Today is the good day that leads us to the great day of Easter yet to come!

+ DIVINE SERVICE +

Welcome

Hymn

What Wondrous Love Is This

Hymn #543

God is with Us

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

+ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +

Pastor: The holy death of our Lord Jesus Christ on this good day was for You. In His stead and by His command, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

Salutation and Collect of the Day

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Pastor: 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 so 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.

People: Amen.

Old Testament Letter

Isaiah 52:13-53:12

¹³Behold, my servant shall act wisely;
he shall be high and lifted up,

and shall be exalted.

¹⁴ As many were astonished at you—
his appearance was so marred, beyond human semblance,
and his form beyond that of the children of mankind—

¹⁵ so 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.

53 Who has believed what he has heard from us?

And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?

² For 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.

³ He 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.

⁴ Surely he has borne our griefs
and carried our sorrows;

yet we esteemed him stricken,
smitten by God, and afflicted.

⁵ But he was pierced for our transgressions;
he was crushed for our iniquities;
upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace,
and with his wounds we are healed.

⁶ All 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.

⁷ He 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.

⁸ By 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?

⁹ And 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.

¹⁰ Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him;
he has put him to grief;
when his soul makes an offering for guilt,
he shall see his offspring; he shall prolong his days;
the will of the LORD shall prosper in his hand.

¹¹ Out 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.

¹² Therefore 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.

New Testament Letter

Hebrews 4:14-16, 5:7-9

Since 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,

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HYMN

I Will Remember

All

I will remember -- The cost of Calvary -- I will remember
I will remember -- The price you paid for me -- I will remember

The tears You wept in the garden
The blood You shed in my place
And I long for the day
When I'll see Your loving face

I will remember -- Your hands of mercy -- I will remember
Musical Interlude
I will remember -- The love that set me free -- I will remember

The One Who bears my scars
And carries me in His arms
And I long for the day
When I'll run to their embrace

I will remember -- The cross of Calvary -- I will remember
I will remember -- The cost of Calvary -- I will remember
I will remember -- The price you paid for me -- I will remember

Silence

Sermon

Pastor Carlos Hernandez

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life † everlasting. Amen.

Closing Reflections

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Closing Hymn

Were You There Vv 1-3

Hymn #456

NAILING OF OUR SINS

As you make your way forward this evening you will bring your small notecard with your name and hand it to pastor. You will hear the words of forgiveness spoken over you as you depart.

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