



Good Friday

Good Friday is part of the sacred Triduum, the three-day observance of Christ's Passover. 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. The Triduum includes Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and concludes with the Vigil of Easter.

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.

The Good Friday service contains a number of ancient elements, particularly the full reading of the Passion according to St. John, the Bidding Prayer, the cross procession, the Reproaches, and the Responsory. Given the solemnity of the day, silence is observed at various times in order to reflect upon the Word of God. Because the service is part of the Triduum, it has neither entrance rite nor Benediction. The concluding hymn ensures that the final note of the service is one of triumph, for God's faithful know the end of the story.

Today's Hymns

29 March, 2024 – 3:00 PM
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
2200 Lee Street (located in Five Points)

<i>Savior When in Dust to Thee</i>	419
<i>Jesus, I Will Ponder Now</i>	440
<i>O Sacred Head, Now Wounded</i>	450
<i>O Darkest Woe</i>	448
<i>Lamb of God, Pure and Holy</i>	434
<i>Sing My Tongue, the Glorious Battle</i>	454
<i>The Royal Banners Forward Go</i>	455

Holy Communion:

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as he says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but his very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with him and with one another. Our Lord invites to his table those who trust his words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as he forgives and loves us, that they may show forth his death until he comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor.

—LCMS Communion Statement

Scheduling Notes

Holy Saturday– March 30

8:00 PM Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday – March 31

10:30 AM Divine Service

The first of our celebrations of the Resurrection of our Lord will be the Vigil of Easter. There was no church service more special to the ancient church than the Great Vigil of Easter. Typically, the service would start some time after sundown and would continue for quite some time late into the night. This ancient service is the church's first acknowledgment of the Resurrection of our Lord in the Easter celebrations. The timing is set with the Jewish (and biblical) understanding that the day starts in the evening at the setting of the sun. Therefore, Easter Sunday actually begins at sunset on Saturday.

Throughout the season of Lent, we have put away the Alleluias and the Gloria in the Divine Service. Already at the Great Vigil of Easter, we will have sung our first Alleluias in the season of the Resurrection of Our Lord. You won't want to miss this special service, which begins at 8:00 PM. Saturday evening.

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

Member Parish, The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

The Rev. Christopher A. Burger, Pastor

Mr. Steven Smolley, Organist

Mrs. Becky Ess, Administrative Assistant

† **In the Name of Jesus** †

+ Psalm of the Day.....Psalm for Good Friday.....*Psalm 22*
The congregation and pastor enter in silence.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Stand

+ **HYMN**.....*Savior, When in Dust to Thee*.....LSB 419

+ **COLLECT**

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

Kneel

P 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.

Sit

+ **READING**—*Isaiah 52:13-53:12*

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Kneel

+ **COLLECT**

P Let us pray.

P Merciful and everlasting God, You did not spare Your only Son but delivered Him up for us all to bear our sins on the cross. Grant that our hearts may be so fixed with steadfast faith in Him that we fear not the power of sin, death, and the devil; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord.. **C** Amen.

+ **PSALM 41**

Sit

+ **READING**—*Hebrews 4:14-5:11*

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Kneel

+ **COLLECT**

P Let us pray.

P 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. **C Amen.**

+ **THE PASSION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST** +

+ **HYMN**.....*Jesus, I Will Ponder Now*.....stanza 1.....LSB 440

P The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. John.

+ **READING:** John 18:1-11 (Betrayal and Arrest of Jesus)

+ **HYMN**.....*O Sacred Head, Now Wounded*.....stanza 1.....LSB 450

+ **READING:** John 18:12-27 (Jesus before the High Priest and the Denial of Peter)

+ **HYMN**.....*O Sacred Head, Now Wounded*.....stanza 2.....LSB 450

+ **READING:** John 18:28-40 (Jesus before Pilate)

+ **HYMN**.....*O Sacred Head, Now Wounded*.....stanza 3.....LSB 450

+ **READING:** John 19:1-16a (Jesus Prepared for Crucifixion)

+ **HYMN**.....*O Sacred Head, Now Wounded*.....stanza 4.....LSB 450

Stand

+ **READING:** John 19:16b-24 (The Crucifixion of Jesus)

+ **HYMN**.....*O Sacred Head, Now Wounded*.....stanza 5.....LSB 450

+ **READING:** John 19:25-30 (Jesus' Mother and His Death)

+ **HYMN**.....*O Sacred Head, Now Wounded*.....stanza 6.....LSB 450

+ **READING:** John 19:31-42 (Jesus' Side Is Pierced)

+ **HYMN**.....*O Sacred Head, Now Wounded*.....stanza 7.....LSB 450

Silence

Sit

+ **SERMON**

+ **HYMN OF THE DAY**.....*O Darkest Woe*LSB 448

+ **BIDDING PRAYER**

P Let us pray for the whole Christian Church, that our Lord God would defend her against all the assaults and temptations of the adversary and keep her perpetually on the true foundation, Jesus Christ:

P ...through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **C Amen.**

P Let us pray for all the ministers of the Word, for all vocations in the Church, and for all the people of God:

P ...through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **C Amen.**

P Let us pray for our catechumens, that our Lord God would open their hearts and the door of His mercy that, having received the remission of all their sins by the washing of regeneration, they may be mindful of their Baptism and evermore be found in Christ Jesus, our Lord.

P ...through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **C Amen.**

P Let us pray for all in authority that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty:

P ...through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **C Amen.**

P Let us pray our Lord God Almighty that He would deliver the world from all error, take away disease, ward off famine, set free those in bondage, and grant health to the sick and a safe journey to all who travel:

P ...through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **C Amen.**

P Let us pray for all who are outside the Church, that our Lord God would be pleased to deliver them from their error, call them to faith in the true and living God and His only Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and gather them into His family, the Church:

P ...through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **C Amen.**

P Let us pray for peace, that we may come to the knowledge of God's holy Word and walk before Him as is fitting for Christians:

P ...through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **C Amen.**

P Let us pray for our enemies, that God would remember them in mercy and graciously grant them such things as are both needful for them and profitable for their salvation:

P ...through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **C Amen.**

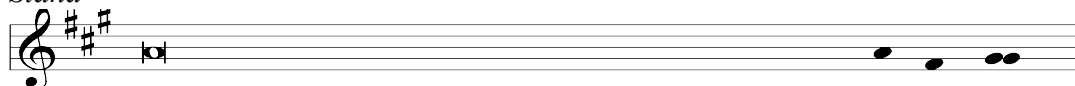
P Let us pray for the fruits of the earth, that God would send down His blessing upon them and graciously dispose our hearts to enjoy them according to His own good will:

P ...through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **C Amen.**

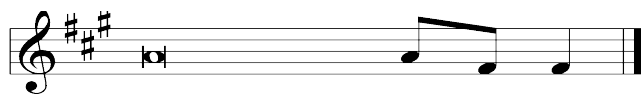
P Finally, let us pray for all those things for which our Lord would have us ask, saying:

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.

Stand

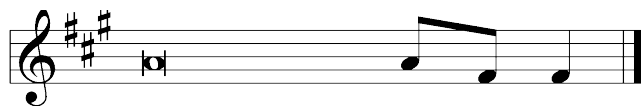


P Behold, the life-giving cross on which was hung the salvation of the world.



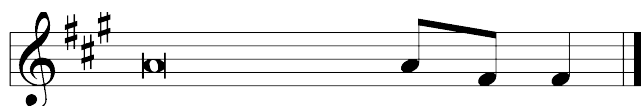
C O come, let us wor - ship Him.

P Behold, the life-giving cross on which was hung the salvation of the world.



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C O come. let us wor - ship Him.

+ REPROACHES

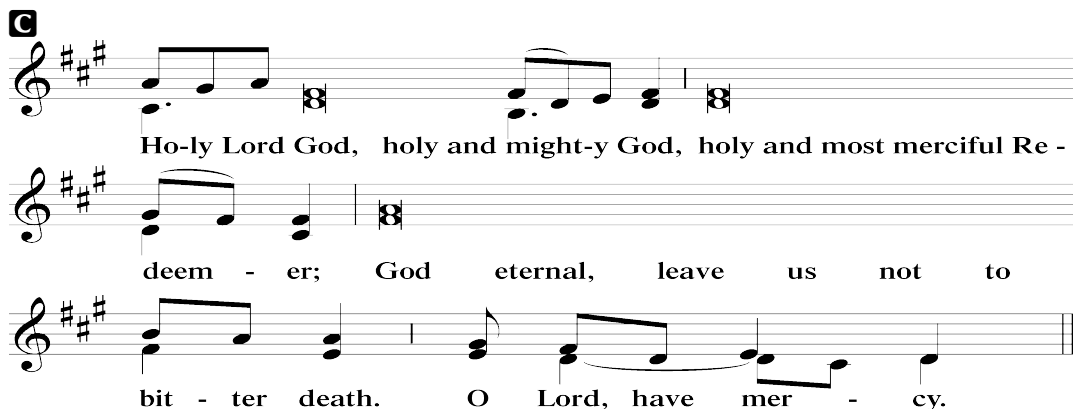
Sit

The following reproaches are the words of the Lord against His people, the Church, to which the congregation replies with a plea for mercy.

P Thus says the Lord: What have I done to you, O My people, and wherein have I offended you? Answer Me. For I have raised you up out of the prison house of sin and death, and you have delivered up your Redeemer to be scourged. For I have redeemed you from the house of bondage, and you have nailed your Savior to the cross.

O My people.

Micah 6:3-4



P Thus says the Lord: What have I done to you, O My people, and wherein have I offended you? Answer Me. For I have conquered all your foes, and you have given Me over and delivered Me to those who persecute Me. For I have fed you with My Word and refreshed you with living water, and you have given Me gall and vinegar to drink. O My people.

Jeremiah 2:6-7

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Ho-ly Lord God, holy and might-y God, holy and most merciful Re -
deem - er; God eternal, allow us not to lose hope in the face of
death and hell. O Lord, have mer - cy.

+ **HYMN**.....*Lamb of God, Pure and Holy*.....stanza 2.....LSB 434

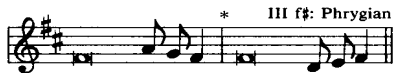
P Thus says the Lord: What have I done to you, O My people, and wherein have I offended you? Answer Me. What more could have been done for My vineyard than I have done for it? When I looked for good grapes, why did it yield only bad? My people, is this how you thank your God? O My people.

Isaiah 5:2-4

C

Ho-ly Lord God, holy and might-y God, holy and most merciful Re -
deem - er; God eternal, keep us steadfast in the
true faith. O Lord, have mer - cy.

+ **HYMN**.....*Lamb of God, Pure and Holy*.....stanza 3.....LSB 434



We adore You, | O Lord,*
 and we praise and glorify Your holy resur- | rection.
 For behold, by the wood | of Your cross*
 joy has come into | all the world.
 God be merciful to us and | bless us,*
 and cause His face to shine upon us, and have mercy up- | on us.
 We adore You, | O Lord,*
 and we praise and glorify Your holy resur- | rection.
 For behold, by the wood | of Your cross*
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Stand

+ **HYMN**.....*Sing, My Tongue, the Glorious Battle*.....LSB 454
(stanzas 1-4)

[P] 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. **[C] Amen.**

Stand

+ **HYMN**.....*The Royal Banners Forward Go*.....LSB 455
There is no procession.

+ **DEPART**

The pastor and congregation leave the sanctuary in silence.

† To God Alone Be All Glory †