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FRIDAY

April 2, 2021

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Welcome

Gathering Hymn

“What Wondrous Love Is This”

ELW #666 vs 1&2

- 1 What wondrous love is this,
O my soul, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this
that caused the Lord of bliss
to bear the dreadful curse
for my soul, for my soul,
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul?

- 2 When I was sinking down,
sinking down, sinking down,
when I was sinking down, sinking down,
when I was sinking down
beneath God's righteous frown,
Christ laid aside his crown
for my soul, for my soul,
Christ laid aside his crown for my soul.

Text: North American folk hymn, 19th cent., alt.

Litany of Confession

P: Dear God, this night is filled with darkness and mourning, but we need to remember. Help us to remember.

C: We need to remember we are your creation and we are created in your image as reflections of your love.

P: We remember yesterday and we are sorry because we have failed in love and friendship. We have tried so hard but we have failed so miserably.

C: On this night of darkness, may your presence remove our sorrow and fill us with a new sense of purpose and fulfillment. Amen.

The Declaration of God's Forgiveness (based on John 19:17-30)

God, our heavenly Creator, hears the prayers of all children and answers those prayers. Our prayer for forgiveness is answered in the person of Jesus Christ, God's son, who died for our sin that we might have new life. The distance between God and ourselves has been brought together by love made perfect in the sacrifice of Jesus. To those who believe God's word of truth comes the power to be the people of God. Praise God for the gift of love. Amen.

Prayer of the Day

P: Merciful God,

C: your son was lifted up on the cross to draw all people to himself. Grant that we who have been born out of his wounded side may at all times find mercy in him, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Word

God Speaks to Us in Scripture Reading, Preaching, and Song.

The First Word: Luke 23:26-28, 32-34

"Father, forgive them"

²⁶As they led him away, they seized a man, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming from the country, and they laid the cross on him, and made him carry it behind Jesus. ²⁷A great number of the people followed him, and among them were women who were beating their breasts and wailing for him. ²⁸But Jesus turned to them and said, "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children.

³²Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. ³³When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. ³⁴Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing.

Reflection

A candle is extinguished.

The Second Word: Luke 23:38-43

“Today you will be with me in Paradise.”

³⁸There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

³⁹One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" ⁴⁰But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation?" ⁴¹And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." ⁴²Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." ⁴³He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

Reflection

A candle is extinguished.

Hymn

“Jesus, Remember Me”

ELW #616

Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

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Text: Luke 23:42; Taizé Community

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The Third Word: John 19:25-27

“Woman, here is your son.”

Meanwhile, standing near 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 beside her, he said to his mother, "Woman, here is your son." ²⁷Then he said to the disciple, "Here is your mother." And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

Reflection

A candle is extinguished.

The Fourth Word: Matthew 27:45-49

“My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”

⁴⁵From noon on, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon.

⁴⁶And about three o'clock Jesus cried with a loud voice, "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?" that is, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" ⁷When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, "This man is calling for Elijah." ⁴⁸At once one of them ran and got a sponge, filled it with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink. ⁴⁹But the others said, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him."

Reflection

A candle is extinguished.

Hymn

"Were You There"

ELW #353 vs 1&4

- 1 Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

- 4 Were you there when the sun refused to shine?
Were you there when the sun refused to shine?
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when the sun refused to shine?

Text: African American spiritual

The Fifth Word: John 19:28-29

"I am thirsty."

²⁸After this, when Jesus knew that all was now finished, he said (in order to fulfill the scripture), "I am thirsty." ²⁹A jar full of sour wine was standing there. So they put a sponge full of the wine on a branch of hyssop and held it to his mouth.

Reflection

A candle is extinguished.

The Sixth Word: John 19:30

"It is finished."

³⁰When Jesus had received the wine, he said, "It is finished." Then he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

Reflection

A candle is extinguished.

Hymn

“Ah, Holy Jesus”

ELW #349 vs 1&2

- 1 Ah, holy Jesus, how hast thou offended
that we to judge thee have in hate pretended?
By foes derided, by thine own rejected,
O most afflicted.

- 2 Who was the guilty? Who brought this upon thee?
Alas, my treason, Jesus, hath undone thee.
'Twas I, Lord Jesus, I it was denied thee;
I crucified thee.

Text: Johann Heermann, 1585-1647; tr. Robert Bridges, 1844-1930, alt.

The Seventh Word: Luke 23:44-46

“Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.”

⁴⁴It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, ⁴⁵while the sun's light failed; and the curtain of the temple was torn in two. ⁴⁶Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said, "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit." Having said this, he breathed his last.

Reflection

A candle is extinguished.

The Lord's Prayer

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

We depart in silence.



Easter Sunday

Sunday, April 4th

Worship at 7:00 AM, 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM.

The 8:30 AM service will also be Live on Facebook.

Registration is required, and there are still seats available for the 7:00 AM service. We hope that you can join us!



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