



GOOD FRIDAY

April 2, 2021

7pm



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Making Room Through the Cross

Welcome to Zumbro Lutheran Church

FRIDAY, APR. 2, 2021

At the heart of our Good Friday worship is the story of Jesus' passion from the Gospel of Luke. The ancient title of this day – The Triumph of the Cross – reminds us that the church gathers not to mourn this day, but to celebrate Christ's life-giving passion, and to find strength and hope in the tree of life.

As the story unfolds, we hear Jesus forgiving those who are crucifying him and promising paradise to a repentant thief. Much like he has done throughout Luke's Gospel, Jesus is making room for any and all.

PRELUDE

WONDROUS LOVE
SUSAN HENKE, PIANO

ARR. DANIEL KALLMAN

WELCOME

PRAYER FOR GOOD FRIDAY

L: Jesus, we are huddled together in doubt and fear like the disciples of long ago. We don't want to be separated from you; we don't want to say goodbye to you. And yet we don't really want to follow you to the cross either. As we remember the Good Friday events of long ago, words are not adequate to explain how we feel: we see your body broken, your head wounded, your hands and feet split open by nails. Sweet Lord, we thank you. We adore you. We love you. Forgive our failings, Lord, draw us close to your heart, and let us always live under your cross.

C: Amen.

**Beneath the cross of Jesus
I long to take my stand;
the shadow of a mighty rock
within a weary land,
a home within a wilderness,
a rest upon the way,
from the burning of the noontide heat
and burdens of the day.**

**Upon the cross of Jesus,
my eye at times can see
the very dying form of one
who suffered there for me.
And from my contrite heart, with tears,
two wonders I confess:
the wonder of his glorious love
and my unworthiness.**

**I take, O cross, your shadow
for my abiding place;
I ask no other sunshine than
the sunshine of his face;
content to let the world go by,
to know no gain nor loss,
my sinful self my only shame,
my glory all, the cross.**

CONFESSION



Take, oh, take me as I am; sum - mon out what I shall be;



set your seal up - on my heart and live in me.

L: We gather around the cross to remember the day our Savior died.

C: He died for our sins.

L: Our hearts are heavy as we think of his suffering.

C: He died for our sins.

L: We watch in agony as he hangs on the cross.

C: He died for our sins.

L: Through his willingness to lay down his life, Jesus shows his never-ending love for us.

C: He died for our sins.

L: He will go to any lengths to call us back to him.

C: He died for our sins.

L: Lord Jesus, we love you. We are moved by the story of your suffering and death. Help us never forget. Draw us close to you. Forgive us our many failings and love us still.

C: Amen.

silence for personal reflection

sing twice

Take, oh, take me as I am; sum - mon out what I shall be;
set your seal up - on my heart and live in me.

READING OF THE PASSION STORY

LUKE 22:47-71 NRSV

⁴⁷While [Jesus] was still speaking, suddenly a crowd came, and the one called Judas, one of the twelve, was leading them. He approached Jesus to kiss him; ⁴⁸but Jesus said to him, "Judas, is it with a kiss that you are betraying the Son of Man?" ⁴⁹When those who were around him saw what was coming, they asked, "Lord, should we strike with the sword?" ⁵⁰Then one of them struck the slave of the high priest and cut off his right ear. ⁵¹But Jesus said, "No more of this!" And he touched his ear and healed him. ⁵²Then Jesus said to the chief priests, the officers of the temple police, and the elders who had come for him, "Have you come out with swords and clubs as if I were a bandit? ⁵³When I was with you day after day in the temple, you did not lay hands on me. But this is your hour, and the power of darkness!"

⁵⁴Then they seized him and led him away, bringing him into the high priest's house. But Peter was following at a distance. ⁵⁵When they had kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard and sat down together, Peter sat among them. ⁵⁶Then a servant-girl, seeing him in the firelight, stared at him and said, "This man also was with him." ⁵⁷But he denied it, saying, "Woman, I do not know him." ⁵⁸A little later someone else, on seeing him, said,

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"You also are one of them." But Peter said, "Man, I am not!" ⁵⁹Then about an hour later still another kept insisting, "Surely this man also was with him; for he is a Galilean." ⁶⁰But Peter said, "Man, I do not know what you are talking about!" At that moment, while he was still speaking, the cock crowed. ⁶¹The Lord turned and looked at Peter. Then Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said to him, "Before the cock crows today, you will deny me three times." ⁶²And he went out and wept bitterly.

⁶³Now the men who were holding Jesus began to mock him and beat him; ⁶⁴they also blindfolded him and kept asking him, "Prophecy! Who is it that struck you?" ⁶⁵They kept heaping many other insults on him.

⁶⁶When day came, the assembly of the elders of the people, both chief priests and scribes, gathered together, and they brought him to their council. ⁶⁷They said, "If you are the Messiah, tell us." He replied, "If I tell you, you will not believe; ⁶⁸and if I question you, you will not answer. ⁶⁹But from now on the Son of Man will be seated at the right hand of the power of God." ⁷⁰All of them asked, "Are you, then, the Son of God?" He said to them, "You say that I am." ⁷¹Then they said, "What further testimony do we need? We have heard it ourselves from his own lips!"

HYMN

WHEN I SURVEY THE WONDROUS CROSS

HYMN TUNE: HAMBURG

**When I survey the wondrous cross
on which the prince of glory died,
my richest gain I count but loss
and pour contempt on all my pride.**

READING OF THE PASSION STORY

LUKE 23:1-12 NRSV

¹Then the assembly rose as a body and brought Jesus before Pilate. ²They began to accuse him, saying, "We found this man perverting our nation, forbidding us to pay taxes to the emperor, and saying that he himself is the Messiah, a king." ³Then Pilate asked him, "Are you the king of the Jews?" He answered, "You say so." ⁴Then Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowds, "I find no basis for an accusation against this man." ⁵But they were insistent and said, "He stirs up the people by teaching throughout all Judea, from Galilee where he began even to this place."

⁶When Pilate heard this, he asked whether the man was a Galilean. ⁷And when he learned that he was under Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him off to Herod, who was himself in Jerusalem at that time. ⁸When Herod saw Jesus, he was very glad, for he had been wanting to see him for a long time, because he had heard about him and was hoping to see him perform some sign. ⁹He questioned him at some length, but Jesus gave him no answer. ¹⁰The chief priests and the scribes stood by, vehemently accusing him. ¹¹Even Herod with his soldiers treated him with contempt and mocked him; then he put an elegant robe on him, and sent him back to Pilate. ¹²That same day Herod and Pilate became friends with each other; before this they had been enemies.

HYMN

WHEN I SURVEY THE WONDROUS CROSS

**Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast
save in the death of Christ, my God;
all the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his blood.**

¹³Pilate then called together the chief priests, the leaders, and the people, ¹⁴and said to them, "You brought me this man as one who was perverting the people; and here I have examined him in your presence and have not found this man guilty of any of your charges against him. ¹⁵Neither has Herod, for he sent him back to us. Indeed, he has done nothing to deserve death. ¹⁶I will therefore have him flogged and release him."

¹⁸Then they all shouted out together, "Away with this fellow! Release Barabbas for us!" ¹⁹(This was a man who had been put in prison for an insurrection that had taken place in the city, and for murder.) ²⁰Pilate, wanting to release Jesus, addressed them again; ²¹but they kept shouting, "Crucify, crucify him!" ²²A third time he said to them, "Why, what evil has he done? I have found in him no ground for the sentence of death; I will therefore have him flogged and then release him." ²³But they kept urgently demanding with loud shouts that he should be crucified; and their voices prevailed. ²⁴So Pilate gave his verdict that their demand should be granted. ²⁵He released the man they asked for, the one who had been put in prison for insurrection and murder, and he handed Jesus over as they wished.

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. ²⁹For the days are surely coming when they will say, 'Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bore, and the breasts that never nursed.' ³⁰Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us'; and to the hills, 'Cover us.' ³¹For if they do this when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?"

³²Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him.

HYMN

WHEN I SURVEY THE WONDROUS CROSS

**See, from his head, his hands, his feet,
sorrow and love flow mingled down.
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
or thorns compose so rich a crown?**

READING OF THE PASSION STORY

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. ³⁵And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" ³⁶The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, ³⁷and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" 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?"

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PRAYER

L: Lord, have mercy upon us.

C: Have mercy upon us all.

L: We pray this day: for all who have a song they cannot sing,

C: For all who have a burden they cannot bear,

L: For all who live in chains they cannot break,

C: For all who wander homeless and cannot return,

L: For those who are sick and for those who tend to them,

C: For those who wait for loved ones, and wait in vain,

L: For those who live in hunger and for those who will not share their bread,

C: For those who are misunderstood and for those who misunderstand,

L: For those who are captives and for those who are captors,

C: For those whose words of love are locked within their hearts and for those who yearn to hear those words.

L: Lord, have mercy upon broken, hurting people everywhere.

C: Have mercy upon us all.

EXIT OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

SLAMMING OF THE BOOK

VERSE

sing three times

JESUS, REMEMBER ME

Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your king - dom.

Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your king - dom.

The musical score is written for two systems. Each system consists of a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: 'Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your king - dom.' The first system ends with a double bar line, and the second system continues the melody and accompaniment.

There is no benediction.

WORSHIP LEADERS

PROCLAIMER-Pastor Shelley Cunningham; **WORSHIP LEADERS**-Pastor Vern Christopherson, Pastor Jason Bryan-Wegner, Jen Gruendler; **LECTORS**-Marne Gade, Greg Schoenbeck; **ORGANIST**-Kristy Giere; **PIANIST**-Susan Henke; **SINGING**-Octet: Pam Hammond, Janette Reeves, Jolene Hansen, Meredith Pritchard, Alan Hansen, Sam Simataa, Bob Hoel, Ralph Schornack; Bob Giere, director; Susan Henke, accompanist

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Easter Worship

MAKING ROOM FOR EARLY CHRISTIAN WITNESS

EASTER SUNDAY, APR. 4 | 8:30am

Live Stream Worship with Communion

Proclaimer-Pastor Vern Christopherson

Special music-Octet Singers, Zumbro Lutheran Choir pre-recorded virtual anthem and Hallelujah Chorus; Handbells, Brass, Liturgical Dancers; pre-recorded piano and organ prelude (Kristy Giere and Ralph Schornack); pre-recorded postlude (Kristy Giere, organ)

BEGINNING SUNDAY, APRIL 11 – EASTER 2

EASTER 2, APR. 11 | 8:30am

Live Stream Worship (with in-person option; pre-registration online required)

BEGINNING WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14 – EASTER 2

EASTER 2, APR. 14 | 6:15pm

Outdoor Parking Lot Worship



Our journey of faith leads us to build bridges of understanding and peace, to reach out with compassion, and to share the hope of Jesus.

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