



Good Friday

The Service of the Seven Words

April 10, 2020
7:00 P.M.

PRE-SERVICE MEDITATION – PSALM 22

- 1) My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?
Why are you so far from saving me,
from the words of my groaning?
- 2) O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer,
and by night, but I find no rest.
- 3) Yet you are holy,
enthroned on the praises of Israel.
- 4) In you our fathers trusted;
they trusted, and you delivered them.
- 5) To you they cried and were rescued;
in you they trusted and were not put to shame.
- 6) But I am a worm and not a man,
scorned by mankind and despised by the people.
- 7) All who see me mock me;
they make mouths at me; they wag their heads;
- 8) "He trusts in the LORD; let him deliver him;
let him rescue him, for he delights in him!"
- 9) Yet you are he who took me from the womb;
you made me trust you at my mother's breasts.
- 10) On you was I cast from my birth,
and from my mother's womb you have been my
God.
- 11) Be not far from me, for trouble is near,
and there is none to help.
- 12) Many bulls encompass me;
strong bulls of Bashan surround me;
- 13) they open wide their mouths at me,
like a ravening and roaring lion.
- 14) I am poured out like water,
and all my bones are out of joint;
my heart is like wax;
it is melted within my breast;
- 15) my strength is dried up like a potsherd,
and my tongue sticks to my jaws;
you lay me in the dust of death.
- 16) For dogs encompass me;
a company of evildoers encircles me;
they have pierced my hands and feet—
- 17) I can count all my bones—
they stare and gloat over me;
- 18) they divide my garments among them,
and for my clothing they cast lots.
- 19) But you, O LORD, do not be far off!
O you my help, come quickly to my aid!
- 20) Deliver my soul from the sword,
my precious life from the power of the dog!
- 21) Save me from the mouth of the lion!
You have rescued me from the horns of the wild
oxen!
- 22) I will tell of your name to my brothers;
in the midst of the congregation I will praise you:
- 23) You who fear the LORD, praise him!
All you offspring of Jacob, glorify him,
and stand in awe of him, all you offspring of
Israel!
- 24) For he has not despised or abhorred
the affliction of the afflicted,
and he has not hidden his face from him,
but has heard, when he cried to him.
- 25) From you comes my praise in the great
congregation;
my vows I will perform before those who fear
him.
- 26) The afflicted shall eat and be satisfied;
those who seek him shall praise the LORD!
May your hearts live forever!
- 27) All the ends of the earth shall remember
and turn to the LORD,
and all the families of the nations
shall worship before you.
- 28) For kingship belongs to the LORD,
and he rules over the nations.
- 29) All the prosperous of the earth eat and worship;
before him shall bow all who go down to the
dust,
even the one who could not keep himself alive.
- 30) Posterity shall serve him;
it shall be told of the Lord to the coming
generation;
- 31) they shall come and proclaim his righteousness to a
people yet unborn, that he has done it.

The minister enters in silence. Remain seated.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON - Isaiah 52:13—53:12

Behold, my servant shall act wisely;
he shall be high and lifted up,
and shall be exalted.
As many were astonished at you—
his appearance was so marred, beyond
human semblance,
and his form beyond that of the children of
mankind—
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.
Who has believed what he has heard from us?
And to whom has the arm of the LORD been
revealed?
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.
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.
Surely he has borne our griefs
and carried our sorrows;
yet we esteemed him stricken,
smitten by God, and afflicted.
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.
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.
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.
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?
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.
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.
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.
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.

Silence for prayer and meditation follows the reading.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- M:** God Most Holy, look with mercy on this your family for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, be given over into the hands of the wicked and suffer death upon the cross. Keep us always faithful to him, our only Savior, who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.
- C:** **Amen.** *(spoken)*

HYMN 100

A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth



THE FIRST WORD — Luke 23:26-34

And as they led him away, they seized one Simon of Cyrene, who was coming in from the country, and laid on him the cross, to carry it behind Jesus. And there followed him a great multitude of the people and of women who were mourning and lamenting for him. But turning to them Jesus said, “Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. For behold, the days are coming when they will say, ‘Blessed are the barren and the wombs that never bore and the breasts that never nursed!’ Then they will begin to say to the mountains, ‘Fall on us,’ and to the hills, ‘Cover us.’ For if they do these things when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?”

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.

The first candle is extinguished. Silence for meditation

Homily on the First Word

- M:** Gracious Father in heaven, in countless ways we have transgressed against you. But you have been merciful to us and have forgiven the guilt of our sin. Surround us with your unfailing love that we may rejoice in your great goodness now and forever; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C:** **Amen.** *(spoken)*

HYMN

On the Seven Words Jesus Spoke from the Cross

by Thomas H. Kingo

Sung to the tune of "Twas on That Dark, That Doleful Night" (CW 136)

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| 1 Come under Jesus' cross to stand,
O dearest soul, and now attend,
Hear Jesus' final words so sweet,
As He His final hour doth meet. | 3 First for His enemies He says:
Father, forgive them in Thy grace
They know not what they do today,
So blind are they to sin's dark way. |
| 2 Upon the cross my Jesus lay
Despite the dragon's devious way,
The voice of grace resounded clear
With life and comfort us to cheer. | 4 O Jesus, also pray for me
Thou seest how weak and frail I be
In all my ways my whole life long
But by Thy prayer I am made strong. |

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THE SECOND WORD — Luke 23:38-43

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

One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong." And he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." And he said to him, "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

The second candle is extinguished. Silence for meditation

Homily on the Second Word

M: Father, your Son endured the agony of the cross so that by his death and resurrection we might become heirs of eternal life. Fill us with the joy and peace of believing as you guide us on the way that leads to the heavenly country where you live and reign with your Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.** *(spoken)*

Quartet

Jesus, Remember Me

by Jacques Berthier

Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.



THE THIRD WORD — John 19:25-27

Standing by the cross of Jesus were his mother and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to his mother, "Woman, behold, your son!" Then he said to the disciple, "Behold, your mother!" And from that hour the disciple took her to his own home.

The third candle is extinguished. Silence for meditation

Homily on the Third Word

M: Dearest Jesus, you are faithful in your promises and tender in your compassion. Hear the cries of all who call on you for mercy, and satisfy their needs according to your gracious purpose; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.** *(spoken)*

HYMN

Christ's Crucifixion, Suffering, and Death

by Thomas H. Kingo

Sung to the tune of "On My Heart Imprint Your Image" (CW 319)

20 Jesus, all this makes me wonder
As I see each drop of blood,
Deep in thought I too must ponder
How Thy mother near Thee stood
By Thy cross she now must see
All Thy pain and misery
How such shame Thy powers spendeth
Sorrow deep her heart now rendeth.

21 Human language cannot borrow
How the sword hath piercéd through
Mary's soul is filled with sorrow,
As she deep in woe doth rue;
How she suffers sorrow's throe
Seeing all the pain and woe
Of her Son and God's Son only
As He hangs near death so lonely.

22 One disciple gives Him answer
He will for His mother care
One sweet drop doth comfort give her
In her anguish, hearing there
How He still doth care for her,
She may trust His promise sure
Jesus, grant in all my sorrow,
I may trust Thee for the morrow.

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THE FOURTH WORD — Matthew 27:45-49

Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land until the ninth hour. And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, “Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?” that is, “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?” And some of the bystanders, hearing it, said, “This man is calling Elijah.” And one of them at once ran and took a sponge, filled it with sour wine, and put it on a reed and gave it to him to drink. But the others said, “Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him.”

The fourth candle is extinguished. Silence for meditation

Homily on the Fourth Word

M: Father, when your Son hung on the cross, he cried out to you in agony and grief. You gave him the strength to endure so that death might be destroyed and life restored. Have mercy on us all our days, and preserve us in true faith until life everlasting; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen.** *(spoken)*

HYMN 105 O Sacred Head, Now Wounded



THE FIFTH WORD — John 19:28,29

After this, Jesus, knowing that all was now finished, said (to fulfill the Scripture), “I thirst.” A jar full of sour wine stood there, so they put a sponge full of the sour wine on a hyssop branch and held it to his mouth.

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The fifth candle is extinguished. Silence for meditation

Homily on the Fifth Word

M: O God, compassionate Father and Friend, remember not our sins but rather remember your love and mercy. Relieve our distress and satisfy us with eternal peace through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen.** *(spoken)*



THE SIXTH WORD — John 19:30

When Jesus had received the sour wine, he said, “It is finished,” and he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

The sixth candle is extinguished. Silence for meditation

Homily on the Sixth Word

M: God of might and compassion, open your ears to the prayers of your people, who wait for you. Do not leave us in the depths of our sins, but listen to your Church pleading for the fullness of your redemption; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen.** *(spoken)*

HYMN 138

Oh, Perfect Life of Love



THE SEVENTH WORD — Luke 23:33-46

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. And the people stood by, watching, but the rulers scoffed at him, saying, “He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!” The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine and saying, “If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!” There was also an inscription over him, “This is the King of the Jews.”

One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, “Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!” But the other rebuked him, saying, “Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong.” And he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.” And he said to him, “Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise.”

It was now about the sixth hour, and there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour, while the sun's light failed. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two. Then Jesus, calling out with a loud voice, said, “Father, into your hands I commit my spirit!” And having said this he breathed his last.



The seventh candle is extinguished. Silence for meditation

Homily on the Seventh Word

- M: Lord God, you did not forget the pierced body of your Son and his sighing was not hidden from you. In your kindness look also on us, your children, weighed down with sins, and grant us the fullness of your mercy; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.
- C: **Amen.** (*spoken*)

HYMN 713 In Silent Pain The Eternal Son

LENT

713 In Silent Pain the Eternal Son

1 In si - lent pain th' e - ter - nal Son Hangs
2 He died that we might die to sin And
3 For strife he came, to bring a sword, The

der - e - lect and still; In dark - ened day his
live for right - eous - ness; The earth is stained to
truth to end all lies; To rule in us, our

work is done, Ful - filled his Fa - ther's will. Up -
make us clean And bring us in - to peace. For
pa - tient Lord, Un - til all e - vil dies: For

lift - ed for the world to see He hangs in strang - est
peace he came and met its cost; He gave him - self to
in his hand he holds the stars, His voice shall speak to

vic - to - ry, For in his bo - dy on the
save the lost; He loved us to the ut - ter -
end our wars, And those who love him see his

tree He car - ries all our ill.
most And paid for our re - lease.
scars And look in - to his eyes.

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THE BIDDING PRAYER

Elder: Let us pray for the whole church, that our gracious Father would defend her from the devil and keep her faithful to her Lord:

Silent prayer

M: Almighty and everlasting God, you have revealed your saving name to the world through Jesus Christ our Lord. Protect us from assaults of the evil one, and help us remain faithful to your Word so that, in every adversity, we may stand firm in our faith and give ourselves fully to our Savior's work, through Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen.** *(spoken)*

Elder: Let us pray for those who serve in the public ministry and for all people of God:

Silent prayer

M: Almighty and everlasting God, you rule over all things for the good of your people. Preserve us from divisive spirits and false teachers. Give your servants the grace to proclaim Christ joyfully in word and deed so that all who hear them may come to know their Savior better and be strengthened for their lives of service, through Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen.** *(spoken)*

Elder: Let us pray for those who are being instructed in the Word that they remain firm in the simple faith of Baptism:

Silent prayer

M: Almighty and everlasting God, you make us your own dear children by the washing of rebirth and renewal of the Holy Spirit. Give strength to all who are buried with Christ in Baptism that each day they may die to sin and rise again to live a new and holy life, through Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen.** *(spoken)*

Elder: Let us pray for our earthly government, our rulers and all who are in authority:

Silent prayer

M: Almighty and everlasting God, you have established earthly government to keep a measure of order in this dying world and to protect us from the disorder of sin. Give to all rulers the wisdom to govern well and to all citizens the desire to obey them, so that we may live peaceful lives in all godliness and holiness, through Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen.** *(spoken)*

Elder: Let us pray that our gracious Father would protect us and our communities from the many earthly calamities that threaten us:

Silent prayer

M: Almighty and everlasting God, on all sides we are surrounded by danger from wars and famine, from disease and pestilence, with the devil begrudging us every minute of our lives. Protect us from all these miseries so that your name may still be glorified in them and so that we may safely pass through them to your heavenly kingdom, through Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen.** (*spoken*)

Elder: Let us pray for those who are outside the Church, that they may come to know the one, true God and Jesus Christ whom he has sent:

Silent prayer

M: Almighty and everlasting God, your Son was lifted up on the cross so that he might draw all people to himself. Through the proclamation of your Word, mercifully gather from the nations a people that are your very own, that we may join together around your throne in glory to praise and thank you forever, through Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen.** (*spoken*)

Elder: Let us pray for our enemies and for all those who hate us:

Silent prayer

M: Almighty and everlasting God, no one can harm us without grieving you whose name we bear. We ask that you would change the hearts of those who work against us and who hate us without reason. Give them repentance and life so that they may be glad with us and find joy in your love, through Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen.** (*spoken*)

Elder: Let us pray for all who suffer under cross and trial:

Silent prayer

M: Almighty and everlasting God, you sent your Son into the world to bear our griefs and to carry our sorrows. Help those who are suffering for your name's sake and who are struggling against temptation so that they may not be overwhelmed with sadness but find relief in your grace, through Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen.** (*spoken*)

Elder: Finally, let us pray for all those things for which our Lord would have us ask in the words he himself has taught us:

C: **LORD'S PRAYER**

Silence for meditation

As the final hymn is introduced, the congregation stands.

GOOD FRIDAY

718 Rest, O Christ, From All Your Labor



1 Rest, O Christ, from all your la - bor;
 2 Peace at last from all your an - guish,
 3 Help us keep this sol - emn Sab - bath
 4 As through part - ing Red Sea wa - ters



Sleep with - in your bor - rowed tomb. Foes have
 Wounds in hands and feet and side. En - e -
 As we wait for Eas - ter dawn. Earth's dark
 Is - rael marched to lib - er - ty, So we



cru - ci - fied and bound you Fast with -
 mies no long - er mock you, Scourged, a -
 night of sin is pass - ing; Death's long
 pass through bap - tism's wa - ter, Washed by



in death's nar - row room. Pi - late's
 ban - doned, cru - ci - fied. Faith - ful
 reign will soon be gone. Christ, in
 grace, from sin set free. Je - sus,



guards stand watch - ing, wait - ing Where they rolled the
 wom - en gath - er spic - es, Weep for you whom
 whom the new cre - a - tion Ris - es bright - er
 ris - en, liv - ing, reign - ing Now and through e -



seal - ing stone. All un - seen an - oth - er
 sin has slain. Though they mourn, the God who
 than the sun: May we, as we watch for
 ter - ni - ty: Grant that, through your life un -



watch - es: God will not for - sake his own.
 guards you Will not let your death be vain.
 morn - ing, Trust the vic - t'ry you have won.
 dy - ing, We may live vic - tor - ious - ly.

With his victory accomplished on the cross and credited to us in Holy Baptism, Christians bid peaceful rest to their Savior as they anticipate their celebration of his glorious resurrection on Easter dawn.

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 Tune: O MEIN JESU, ICH MUSS STERBEN (87 87 D) *Geistliche Volkslieder*, Paderborn, 1850

The minister leaves in silence. Worshipers may remain for prayer and meditation. Following prayer and meditation, worshipers dismiss themselves in silence.

Offering – The 1st \$1,000 of the combined offerings for Lenten Vespers, Maundy Thursday, and Good Friday have been designated to be split evenly between Palabra de Vida Lutheran Church in Detroit and WELS Lutheran Radio Hour (AM 1500 or FM 92.7 Sundays at 10:30 AM; or podcast at <https://faithtalkdetroit.com/radioshow/3389>). Offerings exceeding \$1,000 have been designated for Good Shepherd’s General Fund.

Preacher:	Pastor Thomas E. Schroeder
Organist:	Jeanette Schneider
Elder:	Dan Schneider
Acolytes:	Philip Schroeder, Peter Schroeder

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HOLY SATURDAY

In the early church, Saturday in Holy Week was called the “Great Sabbath” and had no liturgy of its own. It was a day of meditation, fasting and reflection in preparation for Easter. An Easter Vigil was celebrated on Easter Eve, from the midnight hour until Easter dawn.

This year, Good Shepherd will not be observing the Easter Vigil or the Easter Dawn. Our worship of the Triduum will conclude on Easter Sunday at 10:00 AM.



EASTER FESTIVAL SERVICE

The service of the Triduum will conclude Sunday at 10:00 A.M.