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Education Hour 8:45 AM - Divine Worship 10:00 AM
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Good Friday, April 2nd, 2021
Tenebrae Service – 1:00 and 7:00 pm

Visitors are encouraged to note their attendance by filling out the "Welcome" side (blue print) of the pew cards and putting the card into the offering plate near the entrance doors.

Worship Note: Face covering must be used at all times during worship. The congregation is invited to speak and sing through a face covering. All pews used for 7 pm service.

Tonight's service reflects upon and honors our Savior's saving work of suffering and dying. We learn of the meaning of His passion through the Words He spoke from the Cross. The name Tenebrae is the Latin word for "darkness" or "shadows." As the service progresses lights will be gradually turned off until a period of darkness at the end.

Resurrection Sunday Schedule – 8:45 am -Christian Education; 10 am Divine Service with Communion

Personal Prayer Before Worship

Dear Lord Jesus, please bless my meditation on Your suffering and death for my salvation. Grant that I know the cost of sin and the precious value of Your work to save me. In Your name I pray, Amen.

Prelude

Tower Bells

The pastor enters in silence. Congregations Stands.

Opening Hymn

Go to Dark Gethsemane

LSB 436

1 Go to dark Gethsemane,
All who feel tempter's power;
Your Redeemer's conflict see,
Watch with one bitter hour;
Turn not from His griefs away;
Learn from Jesus Christ to pray.

2 Follow to the judgement hall,
View the Lord of life arraigned;
Oh, the wormwood and the gall!
Oh, the pangs His soul sustained!
Shin not suffering, shame, or loss;
Learn from Him to bear the cross.

3 Calvary's mournful mountain climb;
There, adoring at His feet,
Mark that miracle of time,

God's own sacrifice complete.
"It is finished!" hear Him cry;
Learn from Jesus Christ to die.

Invocation

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

Confession of Sins and Absolution

C: O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess to you all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended you and justly deserved your punishment now and forever. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray you of your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor sinful being.

P: Upon this your confession, I, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Introit: 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.

Collect

All: Almighty God, graciously behold this your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, to be given into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death on the cross; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Meditation "But Deliver Us from the Evil One"

Hymn

Stricken, Smitten and Afflicted

LSB 451

1 Stricken, smitten, and afflicted,

See Him dying on the tree!

'Tis the Christ, by man rejected;

Yes, my soul, 'tis He, 'tis He!

'Tis the long-expected Prophet,

David's Son, yet David's Lord;

Proofs I see sufficient of it:

'Tis the true and faithful Word.

2 Tell me, ye who hear Him groaning,

Was there ever grief like His?

Friends through fear His cause disowning,

Foes insulting His distress;

Many hands were raised to wound Him,

None would intervene to save;

But the deepest stroke that pierced Him

Was the stroke that Justice gave.

3 Ye who think of sin but lightly
Nor suppose the evil great
Here may view its nature rightly,
Here its guilt may estimate.
Mark the sacrifice appointed,
See who bears the awful load;
'Tis the Word, the Lord's anointed,
Son of Man and Son of God.

4 Here we have a firm foundation,
Here the refuge of the lost;
Christ, the Rock of our salvation,
His the name of which we boast:
Lamb of God, for sinners wounded,
Sacrifice to cancel guilt!
None shall ever be confounded
Who on Him their hope have built.

+ + + **THE SEVEN WORDS FROM THE CROSS** + + +

The Gospels record Jesus speaking seven times from the cross. Hanging on a cross made even simple breathing painful. To say the seven statements loud enough for people to hear cost Jesus physical pain and grief. Yet His Words are full of grace and love for His accusers and torturers; for a great sinner on the cross; and for His mother. His Words are full of grief to be separated from His Father. His words are obedience to fulfill the Old Testament prophecies. His Words declare victory over sin, Satan and death. His words give up His spirit into His Father's care.

*The congregation reads the **bold print words** along with the pastor in the following readings.*

The First Word: Luke 23:32-38

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. 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."

Hymn "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded"

LSB 450 vs 1,2

O sacred head, now wounded, With grief and shame weighed down,
Now scornfully surrounded, With thorns, Thine only crown.
O sacred head, what glory, And bliss did once combine;
Yet though despised and gory, I joy to call Thee mine!

How pale Thou are with anguish, With sore abuse and scorn!
How doth Thy face now languish, That once were bright as morn.
Grim death, with cruel rigor, Hath robbed Thee of Thy life;
Thus Thou hast lost Thy vigor, Thy strength, in this sad strife.

The Second Word: Luke 23:39-43

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.**"

Hymn "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded"

LSB 450 vs 3,4

What Thou, my Lord, hast suffered Was all for sinners' gain;
Mine, mine was the transgression, But Thine the deadly pain.
Lo, here I fall, my Savior! 'Tis I deserve Thy place;
Look on me with Thy favor, And grant to me Thy grace.

My Shepherd, now receive me; My Guardian, own me Thine.
Great blessings Thou didst give me, O Source of gifts divine.
Thy lips have often fed me With words of truth and love;
Thy Spirit oft hath led me To heav'nly joys above.

The Third Word: John 19:23-27

When the soldiers had crucified Jesus, they took his garments and divided them into four parts, one part for each soldier; also his tunic. But the tunic was seamless, woven in one piece from top to bottom, so they said to one another, "Let us not tear it, but cast lots for it to see whose it shall be." This was to fulfill the Scripture which says, "They divided my garments among them, and for my clothing they cast lots."

So the soldiers did these things, but 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.

Hymn "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded"

LSB 450 vs 5-7

What language shall I borrow, To thank Thee, dearest friend,
For this Thy dying sorrow, Thy pity without end?
O make me Thine forever! And should I fainting be,
Lord, let me never, never, Outlive my love for Thee.

My Savior, be Thou near me When death is at my door;
Then let Thy presence cheer me, Forsake me nevermore!
When soul and body languish, O leave me not alone,
But take away mine anguish By virtue of Thine Own

Be Thou my consolation, My shield, when I must die;
Remind me of Thy Passion, When my last hour draws nigh..
Mine eyes shall then behold Thee, Upon Thy cross shall dwell,
My heart by faith enfold Thee. Who dieth thus dies well.

The Fourth Word: Matthew 27:41-43; 45-47

So also the chief priests, with the scribes and elders, mocked him, saying, "He saved others; he cannot save himself. He is the King of Israel; let him come down now from the cross, and we will believe in him. He trusts in God; let God deliver him now, if he desires him. For he said, 'I am the Son of God.' "

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."

Hymn "The Lamb"

LSB 547 vs 1, 2

The Lamb, the Lamb, O Father, where's the sacrifice?
Faith sees, believes God will provide the Lamb of price! (*Refrain*)

Refrain: Worthy is the Lamb whose death makes me His own!
The Lamb is reigning on His throne.

The Lamb, the Lamb, One perfect final offering.
The Lamb, the Lamb, Let earth join heav'n His praise to sing. (*Refrain*)

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.

Hymn "The Lamb"

LSB 547 vs 3, 4

The Lamb, the Lamb, As wayward sheep their shepherd kill
So still, His will on our behalf the Law to fill. (*Refrain*)

Refrain: Worthy is the Lamb whose death makes me His own!
The Lamb is reigning on His throne.

He signs, He dies, He takes my sin and wretchedness.
He lives, forgives, He gives me His own righteousness. (*Refrain*)

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.

Duet “Behold the Lamb of God” (7 pm Service only)

The Seventh Word: Luke 23:44-49

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. Now when the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God, saying, “Certainly this man was innocent!” And all the crowds that had assembled for this spectacle, when they saw what had taken place, returned home beating their breasts. And all his acquaintances and the women who had followed him from Galilee stood at a distance watching these things.

Hymn “Were you there?”

LSB 456 vs 1-3

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?

Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
Oh, ... sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?

Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?
Oh, ... sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

Christ Candle is hidden

The Closing of the Book — The Word Made Flesh Died

The Lord's Prayer (*Whispered Together*)

Christ Candle is Returned

The Benediction

P: May the love of God, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you now and forever. **C: Amen.**

*After the Benediction all shall leave the church building in silence.
What must be said can wait until later.*

OUR LORD'S PRAYER
Lent and Holy Week 2021
Good Friday

7th Petition: **But deliver us from evil.**

What does this mean?

We pray in this petition, in summary, that our Father in heaven would rescue us from every evil of body and soul, possessions and reputations, and finally, when our last hour comes, give us a blessed end, and graciously take us from this valley of sorrow to Himself in heaven.

Large Catechism, 7th Petition: In the Greek this petition reads, "Deliver or keep us from the Evil One, or the Wicked One." The petition seems to be speaking of the devil as the sum of all evil in order that the entire substance of our prayer may be directed against our arch-enemy. It is he who obstructs everything that we pray for: God's name or glory, God's kingdom and will, our daily bread, a good and cheerful conscience, etc. ...

Therefore there is nothing for us to do on earth but to pray constantly against this arch-enemy. For if God did not support us, we would not be safe from him for a single hour.

Thus you see how God wants us to pray to him for everything that affects our bodily welfare and directs us to seek and expect help from no one but him.

But this petition he has put last, for if we are to be protected and delivered from all evil, his name must first be hallowed in us, his kingdom come among us, and his will be done. Then he will preserve us from sin and shame and from everything else that harms or injures us. (Tappert, *The Book of Concord*)

Resurrection Sunday: "For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen."

Sermon Notes – “But Deliver Us from the Evil One.”

I. Jesus’ words in the Greek language might also be translated, “Deliver us from the evil _____ . What is certain is the Greek word the emphasizes the _____ of evil and the evil one.

II. To pretend there is no evil and no evil one is to say Jesus died for _____ .

True “vale of _____ .” To deny the reality of evil is to deny the reality of Jesus and His mission.

1 John 1:8 If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

III. Jesus died to defeat and overcome the devil, our _____ and our _____ .

1 John 3:8 Whoever makes a practice of sinning is of the devil, for the devil has been sinning from the beginning. The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the works of the devil.

IV. Jesus’ words from the cross teach us the reality of evil in and around us. Jesus’ words from the cross teach us the depth of His love for us.

The Son of God _____ like this to save us.

The Son of God _____ us like this to save us.

1 John 4:7-10 7 Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. 8 Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love. 9 In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. 10 In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.