



Zion Lutheran Church – LCMS  
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Education Hour 8:45 AM - Divine Worship 10:00 AM  
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**Good Friday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022**  
**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.*

*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 – Children's Sunday School (no Adult Bible Class) ;  
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

*O Sacred head, Now Wounded (vs 1,3,5,7)*

**LSB 450**

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. **Amen**

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.**<sup>26</sup> 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 “He was forsaken, so that we would be embraced.” Psalm 22

Hymn

*Stricken, Smitten and Afflicted (vs 1,2)*

**LSB 451**

+ + + **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.”

**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.**"

**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.

**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."

**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.

**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.

Hymn

*Upon the Cross Extended (vs 1-4)*

**LSB 453**

**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

*Upon the Cross Extended (vs 5-7)*

**LSB 453**

Paschal Candle is Hidden Representing Christ's Death

The Closing of the Book — The Word Made Flesh Died

The Lord's Prayer (*Whispered Together*)

Paschal Candle is Quietly Returned Representing The Promise of Christ's Resurrection

The Benediction

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit  
be with you all.     **C: Amen.**

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