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GOOD FRIDAY • APRIL 18

“He Died!”

On Good Friday, we celebrate the day that Jesus died. This is a death He died willingly. As we remember His suffering and death, we know that is not the end of the story. And because of Jesus’ death and resurrection, it is also not the end of the story for those who die in the Christian faith.

*Come to Calvary’s holy mountain, Sinners, ruined by the fall;
Here a pure and healing fountain Flows for you, for me, for
all, In a full, perpetual tide, Opened when our Savior died.
(LSB 435:1)*

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION...

...Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9

- P** Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession.
- C** **For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin.**
- P** Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Silence for reflection and personal confession.

- P** Jesus, our High Priest,
- C** **We humbly confess to You that we are weak. In our weakness, we sin against You and one another with our words and actions, and in our thoughts and the lack thereof. Our sins cut us off from You. We know that the wages of sin is death, and we keep on sinning. We deserve death. Have mercy on us. Forgive us. Change our hearts and lives and conform them to Yours, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**
- P** In the days of His flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to Him who was able to save Him from death, and He was heard because of His reverence. Although He was a son, He learned obedience through what He suffered. And being made perfect, He became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey Him. Jesus freely gives us what we do not deserve: forgiveness, life, and salvation. As a called and

ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

INTROIT.....Psalm 38:1-4,18, 22; Isaiah 53:5

P He was wounded for our transgressions; He was crushed for our iniquities; upon Him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with His stripes we are healed.

C O Lord, rebuke me not in Your anger, nor discipline me in Your wrath!

P For Your arrows have sunk into me, and Your hand has come down on me.

C There is no soundness in my flesh because of Your indignation; there is no health in my bones because of my sin.

P For my iniquities have gone over my head; like a heavy burden, they are too heavy for me.

C I confess my iniquity; I am sorry for my sin.

P Make haste to help me, O Lord, my salvation!

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KYRIE.....Hebrews 12:1-2

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P Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses,

C let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us,

P looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith,

C who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

SALUTATION and COLLECT

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, You sent Your Son to be crucified, die, and be buried so that through death He might destroy the one who has the power of death—that is, the devil—that we may have life; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

READING.....Genesis 5:1-32

¹ This is the book of the generations of Adam. When God created man, he made him in the likeness of God. ² Male and female he created them, and he blessed them and named them Man when they were created. ³ When Adam had lived 130 years, he fathered a son in his own likeness, after his image, and named him Seth. ⁴ The days of Adam after he fathered Seth were 800 years; and he had other sons and daughters. ⁵ Thus all the days that Adam lived were 930 years, and he died. ⁶ When Seth had lived 105 years, he fathered Enosh. ⁷ Seth lived after he fathered Enosh 807 years and had other

sons and daughters. ⁸ Thus all the days of Seth were 912 years, and he died. ⁹ When Enosh had lived 90 years, he fathered Kenan. ¹⁰ Enosh lived after he fathered Kenan 815 years and had other sons and daughters. ¹¹ Thus all the days of Enosh were 905 years, and he died. ¹² When Kenan had lived 70 years, he fathered Mahalalel. ¹³ Kenan lived after he fathered Mahalalel 840 years and had other sons and daughters. ¹⁴ Thus all the days of Kenan were 910 years, and he died. ¹⁵ When Mahalalel had lived 65 years, he fathered Jared. ¹⁶ Mahalalel lived after he fathered Jared 830 years and had other sons and daughters. ¹⁷ Thus all the days of Mahalalel were 895 years, and he died. ¹⁸ When Jared had lived 162 years, he fathered Enoch. ¹⁹ Jared lived after he fathered Enoch 800 years and had other sons and daughters. ²⁰ Thus all the days of Jared were 962 years, and he died. ²¹ When Enoch had lived 65 years, he fathered Methuselah. ²² Enoch walked with God after he fathered Methuselah 300 years and had other sons and daughters. ²³ Thus all the days of Enoch were 365 years. ²⁴ Enoch walked with God, and he was not, for God took him. ²⁵ When Methuselah had lived 187 years, he fathered Lamech. ²⁶ Methuselah lived after he fathered Lamech 782 years and had other sons and daughters. ²⁷ Thus all the days of Methuselah were 969 years, and he died. ²⁸ When Lamech had lived 182 years, he fathered a son ²⁹ and called his name Noah, saying, “Out of the ground that the Lord has cursed, this one shall bring us relief from our work and from the painful toil of our hands.” ³⁰ Lamech lived after he fathered Noah 595 years and had other sons and daughters. ³¹ Thus all the days of Lamech were 777 years, and he died. ³² After Noah was 500 years old, Noah fathered Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

- P** In You, O Lord, do I take refuge; let me never be put to shame; in Your righteousness deliver me! Incline Your ear to me; rescue me speedily!
- C** **Be a rock of refuge for me, a strong fortress to save me!**
- P** For You are my rock and my fortress; and for Your name's sake You lead me and guide me; You take me out of the net they have hidden for me, for You are my refuge.
- C** **Into Your hand I commit my spirit; You have redeemed me, O Lord, faithful God.**
- P** I hate those who pay regard to worthless idols, but I trust in the Lord.
- C** **I will rejoice and be glad in Your steadfast love, because You have seen my affliction; You have known the distress of my soul, and You have not delivered me into the hand of the enemy; You have set my feet in a broad place.**
- P** Be gracious to me, O Lord, for I am in distress; my eye is wasted from grief; my soul and my body also.
- C** **For my life is spent with sorrow, and my years with sighing; my strength fails because of my iniquity, and my bones waste away.**
- P** Because of all my adversaries I have become a reproach, especially to my neighbors, and an object of dread to my acquaintances; those who see me in the street flee from me.
- C** **I have been forgotten like one who is dead; I have become like a broken vessel.**
- P** For I hear the whispering of many— terror on every side!— as they scheme together against me, as they plot to take my life.

- C** But I trust in You, O Lord; I say, “You are my God.”
- P** My times are in Your hand; rescue me from the hand of my enemies and from my persecutors!
- C** Make Your face shine on Your servant; save me in Your steadfast love!
- P** O Lord, let me not be put to shame, for I call upon You; let the wicked be put to shame; let them go silently to Sheol.
- C** Let the lying lips be mute, which speak insolently against the righteous in pride and contempt.
- P** Oh, how abundant is Your goodness, which You have stored up for those who fear You and worked for those who take refuge in You, in the sight of the children of mankind!
- C** In the cover of Your presence You hide them from the plots of men; You store them in Your shelter from the strife of tongues.
- P** Blessed be the Lord, for He has wondrously shown His steadfast love to me when I was in a besieged city.
- C** I had said in my alarm, “I am cut off from Your sight.” But You heard the voice of my pleas for mercy when I cried to You for help. ‘
- P** Love the Lord, all you His saints!
- C** The Lord preserves the faithful but abundantly repays the one who acts in pride.
- P** Be strong, and let your heart take courage, all you who wait for the Lord!
- C** In You, O Lord, do I take refuge; let me never be put to shame; in Your righteousness deliver me!

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through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. ¹⁵ For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. ¹⁶ Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need... ⁷ In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to him who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. ⁸ Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered. ⁹ And being made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him...

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

VERSE.....Isaiah 53:4

P Surely He has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows;

C yet we esteemed Him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted.

IMMANUEL RINGERS.....Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted

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.

GOSPEL.....John 19:17-30

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the nineteenth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

¹⁷ And he went out, bearing his own cross, to the place called

The Place of a Skull, which in Aramaic is called Golgotha.

¹⁸ There they crucified him, and with him two others, one on either side, and Jesus between them. ¹⁹ Pilate also wrote an inscription and put it on the cross. It read, “Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews.” ²⁰ Many of the Jews read this inscription, for the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city, and it was written in Aramaic, in Latin, and in Greek. ²¹ So the chief priests of the Jews said to Pilate, “Do not write, ‘The King of the Jews,’ but rather, ‘This man said, I am King of the Jews.’” ²² Pilate answered, “What I have written I have written.” ²³ 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, ²⁴ 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, ²⁵ but standing by the cross of Jesus were his mother and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. ²⁶ When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to his mother, “Woman, behold, your son!” ²⁷ Then he said to the disciple, “Behold, your mother!” And from that hour the disciple took her to his own home.

²⁸ After this, Jesus, knowing that all was now finished, said (to fulfill the Scripture), “I thirst.” ²⁹ 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. ³⁰ When Jesus had received the sour wine, he said, “It is finished,” and he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

CHOIR.....Alas, and Did My Savior Bleed

SERMON

HYMN.....Chief of Sinners Though I Be.....Page 611



1 Chief of sin - ners though I be, Je - sus shed His
2 Oh, the height of Je - sus' love, High - er than the
3 On - ly Je - sus can im - part Balm to heal the
4 Chief of sin - ners though I be, Christ is all in
5 O my Sav - ior, help af - ford By Your Spir - it



blood for me, Died that I might live on high,
heav'ns a - bove, Deep - er than the depths of sea,
wound - ed heart, Peace that flows from sin for - giv'n,
all to me; All my wants to Him are known,
and Your Word! When my way - ward heart would stray,



Lives that I might nev - er die. As the branch is
Last - ing as e - ter - ni - ty! Love that found me—
Joy that lifts the soul to heav'n, Faith and hope to
All my sor - rows are His own. He sus - tains the
Keep me in the nar - row way; Grace in time of



to the vine, I am His, and He is mine.
won - drous thought! Found me when I sought Him not.
walk with God In the way that E - noch trod.
hid - den life Safe with Him from earth - ly strife.
need sup - ply While I live and when I die.

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APOSTLES' CREED.....(inside back cover of hymnal)

**☐ I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life † everlasting. Amen.

OFFERING

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P Almighty God, You revealed Your glory to the world through Jesus Christ, the Word who became flesh and dwelt among us. Root us firmly in Your Word. Nourish us with Your Supper. Lead us to bear witness to the world of Your love through our good deeds. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Heavenly Father, on this night we remember the sacrifice of Your Son for the sins of the world. We grieve His suffering and death. We feel shame for our sins. We are thankful we are forgiven. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Gracious Father, we grieve the deaths of all the children who have died in the wombs of their mothers. We grieve with all the parents who have had to bury a child. Provide comfort and healing to all who mourn losses in this life. Give consolation and strength to all who experience suffering and sorrow in this world. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Lord God, on this night, we remember how Your

Son's death was orchestrated by the religious and governing authorities. Lead and guide those who serve Your church on earth, [*especially . . .*], that they may faithfully serve You and Your church. Lead and guide those who lead our nation, [*especially . . .*], that they may serve our nation, state, and community for Your good. [*special prayers and petitions*] Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Almighty and everlasting God, You have commanded us to love our enemies, do good to those who hate us, and to pray for those who persecute us. We pray that by Your gracious visitation all our enemies may be led to true repentance, that they may have the same love and be of one heart and mind with us and Your church. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

RESPONSORY

P We have an advocate with the Father; Jesus is the propitiation for our sins.

C He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.

P Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven and whose sin is put away.

C He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.

P We have an advocate with the Father; Jesus is the propitiation for our sins.

C He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.

P Jesus, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

LORD'S PRAYER

C Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

HYMN.....Jesus, I Will Ponder Now.....Page 440: vs 1-3



1 Je - sus, I will pon - der now On Your ho - ly pas - sion;
2 Make me see Your great dis - tress, An - guish, and af - flic - tion,
3 Yet, O Lord, not thus a - lone Make me see Your pas - sion,



With Your Spir - it me en - dow For such med - i - ta - tion.
Bonds and stripes and wretch - ed - ness And Your cru - ci - fix - ion;
But its cause to me make known And its ter - mi - na - tion.



Grant that I in love and faith May the im - age cher - ish
Make me see how scourge and rod, Spear and nails did wound You,
Ah! I al - so and my sin Wrought Your deep af - flic - tion;



Of Your suf - f'ring, pain, and death That I may not per - ish.
How for them You died, O God, Who with thorns had crowned You.
This in - deed the cause has been Of Your cru - ci - fix - ion.

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The lights are diminished.

The Christ Candle is carried out of the chancel.

STREPITUS

A loud sound is heard, signifying the closing of the tomb.

The Christ Candle is returned.

*Please observe silence as the lights become brighter,
anticipating the joys of Easter while contemplating the
solemnity of Good Friday.*

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Usher

We Remember in our Prayers

Pastor Eric Obermann and his family as he considers the Call to Immanuel and his current Call to Grace Lutheran Church in DeWitt, Iowa

Crystal Dafoe and family on the death of her grandmother, Lorraine Buss

Riley and Jadi Johnson on the birth of their son, Boone Riley Ines Henning in Hospice

Our residents at Colonial Manor, Valley View, Golden Horizons in Worthington, Accura HealthCare in Milford, Koronis in Paynesville

Rose Parrington, Dave Bass, Jackie Ward, Dwaine Milbrath, Jonah Dagel, Keith Kolander, Merlyn Rossow, Bev Hall, dealing with health issues

Diane Hansen, wife of Pastor McDonald; Sue Boogerd, mother of Jeremy Boogerd; Miles Ramsey, toddler cousin of Amy Altman; Zach Williamson, friend of Pastor McDonald; Pastor Dennis Brech; Joyce Urmie, sister-in-law of Vickie Baumann; Stacey Dunker, mother of ILS student Janessa Dunker; Pastor Ben Rucker; Mitch Voehl, son of Lila Voehl; Marcus Lere, grandson of Joyce Bretzman; Denny Daberkow; Jim Salentiny, uncle of Mark Freking; dealing with cancer

Susanna Hedstrom, infant granddaughter of Pastor Dale and Mary Hedstrom; Peter Schulz, newborn son of Pastor Schulz (one of our recent Call candidates); Rich Polz, friend of Bruce and Jan Bakalyar; Mary Holt, aunt of Debbi Gettler; Jeff Meyer, friend of Bruce and Jan Bakalyar; Curt Gates, brother-in-law of Miles Voehl

(Lila's son), dealing with health issues
Our Missionaries in the Field
Our Country and Our Military

We celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord
Easter morning 4/20 at 6:30 a.m. & 9:00 a.m.

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