

THE WORSHIP OF GOD ON GOOD FRIDAY

April 10, 2020

THE WELCOME

*THE ANNOUNCEMENT

LEADER: Dear People of God: Our heavenly Father sent his Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world through him might be saved; that all who believe in him might be delivered from the power of sin and death, and become heirs with him of everlasting life.

*THE PRAYER OF INVOCATION

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

*THE RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP: Isaiah 53:1-6

LEADER: Who has believed what he has heard from us?
And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?

ALL: 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.

LEADER: 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.

ALL: Surely he has borne our griefs
and carried our sorrows;
yet we esteemed him stricken,
smitten by God, and afflicted.

LEADER: 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: 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.

*THE HYMN

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

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.

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.

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?

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small:
Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

TEXT: Isaac Watts MUSIC: Based on a Gregorian chant; arranged by Lowell Mason

THE FIRST LESSON

[Matthew 26:36-46](#)

The Agony: Jesus' disciples fall asleep in the Garden of Gethsemane

THE FIRST CANDLE EXTINGUISHED

*Jesus Paid It All

I hear the Savior say, "Thy strength indeed is small!
Child of weakness, watch and pray, find in Me, thine all in all."

(chorus)

Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe;
Sin had left a crimson stain-He washed it white as snow.

Lord, now indeed I find, Thy power, and Thine alone,
Can change the leper's spots aAnd melt the heart of stone.

(repeat chorus)

And when before the throne I stand in Him complete,
"Jesus died my soul to save," my lips shall still repeat.

(repeat chorus 2x)

Sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow.

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THE SECOND LESSON

[John 18:1-12](#)

The Betrayal: Judas betrays the Lord

ALL: My enemies say of me in malice,
“When will he die, and his name perish?”
All who hate me whisper together about me;
they imagine the worst for me.
They say, “A deadly thing is poured out on him;
he will not rise again from where he lies.”
Even my close friend in whom I trusted,
who ate my bread, has lifted his heel against me.
By this I know that you delight in me:
my enemy will not shout in triumph over me.
But you have upheld me because of my integrity,
and set me in your presence forever. (Psalm 41:5-9,11-12)

THE SECOND CANDLE EXTINGUISHED

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THE THIRD LESSON

[John 18:13-14, 19-24](#); [Matthew 26:57-68](#)

The Trial: Jesus before the Jews

THE THIRD CANDLE EXTINGUISHED

*O Come and Mourn with Me a While

O come and mourn with me awhile; O come ye to the Savior's side;
O come, together let us mourn: Jesus, our Lord, is crucified!

Sev'n times He spake, sev'n words of love; and all three hours His silence cried
For mercy on the souls of men: Jesus, our Lord, is crucified!

(chorus)

O love of God! O sin of man! In this dread act your strength is tried,
And victory remains with love: Jesus, our Lord, is crucified!

O break, O break, hard heart of mine! Thy weak self-love and guilty pride
His Pilate and His Judas were: Jesus, our Lord, is crucified!

A broken heart, a fount of tears, ask, and they will not be denied;
A broken heart love's cradle is: Jesus, our Lord, is crucified!

(repeat chorus 2x)

And victory remains with love: Jesus, our Lord, is crucified,

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THE FOURTH LESSON

[John 18:15-18, 25-27](#)

The Denial: Peter denies knowing Jesus

THE FOURTH CANDLE EXTINGUISHED

*There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood

There is a fountain filled with blood,
Drawn from Immanuel's veins,
And sinners plunged beneath that flood
Lose all their guilty stains.

(chorus)

O Pard'ning Lamb, Thy precious blood
Shall never lose its pow'r,
Till all the ransomed church of God
Are safe, to sin no more.

At Jesus' cross a thief could see
This fount its grace display
And there I saw, though vile as he,
Christ wash my sins away.

(repeat chorus)

E'er since by faith I saw the stream
Thy flowing wounds supply,
Redeeming love has been my theme,
And shall be till I die.

(repeat chorus)

Then shall my heart be tuned for heav'n
And formed by power divine,
To sound in God the Father's ears
No other name but Thine.
To sound in God the Father's ears
No other name but Thine.

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THE FIFTH LESSON

[John 18:28-40](#)

The Trial: Jesus before the Romans

ALL: He was oppressed, and he was afflicted,
yet he opened not his mouth;
like a lamb 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 this generation,
who considered that he was cut off out of the land of the living,
stricken for the transgression of my people? (Isaiah 53: 7-8)

THE FIFTH CANDLE EXTINGUISHED

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THE SIXTH LESSON

[John 19:1-16a](#)

The Final Verdict: Crucify Him

THE SIXTH CANDLE EXTINGUISHED

*Man of Sorrows

Man of sorrows, Lamb of God, by His own betrayed
The sin of man and wrath of God, has been on Jesus laid
Silent as He stood accused, beaten, mocked, and scorned
Bowing to the Father's will, He took a crown of thorns

(chorus)

Oh, that rugged cross, my salvation,
Where Your love poured out over me
Now my soul cries out hallelu - jah,
Praise and honor unto Thee

Sent of heaven, God's own Son, to purchase and redeem
And reconcile the very ones, who nailed Him to that tree

(repeat chorus)

Now my debt is paid, it is paid in full
By the precious blood, that my Jesus spilled
Now the curse of sin, has no hold on me
Whom the Son sets free, oh is free indeed (2x)

(repeat chorus)

Praise and honor unto Thee

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THE SEVENTH LESSON

[John 19:16b-37](#)

The Death of Jesus: It is Finished

ALL: 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. (Isaiah 53:10-12)

THE CHRIST CANDLE EXTINGUISHED

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THE EIGHTH LESSON

[John 19:38-42](#)

The Burial: Jesus' body was placed in a new tomb

**ALL: 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. (Isaiah 53:9)
Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.
(John 1:29)**

THE DISMISSAL

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

O sacred Head, now wounded, with grief and shame weighed down,
Now scornfully surrounded with thorns Thine only crown:
How pale Thou art with anguish, with sore abuse and scorn,
How does that visage languish, which once was bright as morn!

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, assist me with Thy grace.

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 to Thee.

TEXT: Paul Gerhardt; based on Medieval Latin poem ascribed to Bernard of Clairvaux; translated from the German by James W. Alexander MUSIC: Hans Leo Hassler; harmonized by J.S. Bach

*Our worship continues Sunday morning at 10:00 with our Easter Service.
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