



GOOD FRIDAY

April 3, 2026

SERVING THIS GOOD FRIDAY | APRIL 3, 2026

12:15 p.m.

Preacher: Pastor Tony Durante

Organist: Carisa Meier

Cantor: John Waldron

Ushers: Greg & Karen Goth

Liturgist: Al Balkie

Greeter: Pam Mills

Reader: Pamela King



7 p.m.

Preacher: Pastor Tony Durante

Organist: Carisa Meier

Cantor: Ian Johnson

Ushers: Marc Benda & Erica Betz

Tenebrae SFX: Jake Harter

Tenebrae Actors: Luke Smith (Jesus), Delon Wright (The Roman)

Liturgist: Michael Gaffley

Greeter: Debi Bauer & Junko Durante

Reader: Judy Detwiler

AV Technicians: Nyla Green, Denis Cruz

INFORMATION FOR GUESTS

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP! A warm welcome to our guests this morning. It is a privilege to have you join us as we worship and praise our Savior, Jesus Christ. We want you to feel at home here, so we are providing the following information to make your visit as pleasant as possible.

CHILDREN'S BULLETIN: If you have little ones with restless hands, children's bulletins can be obtained from an usher to help keep the kids occupied.

CONNECTION CARD & MY MINI FORTÉ: When the offering is being collected, everyone is asked to fill out the Connect Card found in your bulletin. Please print your address and telephone number on the slip so that we may better serve you and send you more information. We will follow up with you about events and volunteer opportunities using the information shared in the "My Mini Forté" section on the back of the card.

RESTROOMS & WATER FOUNTAINS: Restrooms are located near the front and rear entrances to the sanctuary. Signs are located on the wall.

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS: Large print bulletins are located in the front entrance of the church (narthex). Please ask an usher for assistance.

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Rev. Tony Durante, Pastor



“Serving Christ-Serving Others-Changing Lives”

In observance of Good Friday, please enter the Church quietly and silently, thank God for the gifts He has given to the artists.

As We Gather

We contemplate our Lord’s Passion unfolding and ending as He submits Himself to the frailty of human flesh—even to the point of death. Today we hear and meditate on the words of Christ on the cross. As He is crucified, He speaks the words “Father, forgive them”—gracious words giving us unending hope. Praise be to Christ, who endured cross and torment—all of hell—for the forgiveness of our sins.

12:15 and 7:00 p.m.

Prelude

(**P**=pastor, **L**=liturgist, **C**=congregation, **R**=reader, **A**=cantor)

(Please stand)

Opening Hymn—LSB 425 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross



1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross On which the
2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast Save in the
3 See, from His head, His hands, His feet Sor - row and
4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, That were a



Prince of Glo - ry died, My rich - est gain I
death of Christ, my God; All the vain things that
love flow min - gled down! Did e’er such love and
trib - ute far too small; Love so a - maz - ing,



count but loss And pour con - tempt on all my pride.
charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to His blood.
sor - row meet Or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
so di - vine, De - mands my soul, my life, my all!

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Invocation

- L** In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

✠ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION ✠

The Ten Commandments

- L** Let us say together with one voice the Ten Commandments.
C You shall have no other gods.
You shall not misuse the name of the LORD your God.
Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.
Honor your father and your mother.
You shall not murder.
You shall not commit adultery.
You shall not steal.
You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.
You shall not covet your neighbor's house.
You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Deposition of Nails *(Please be seated)*

Worshippers are invited walk forward to deposit a nail in the pail at the foot of the chancel as a symbolic act of acknowledging one's sins for which Jesus was crucified.

Confession Prayer *(Please stand)*

- L** Let us pray. 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; give us grace so to contemplate the Passion of our Lord that we may find in it the forgiveness of sins; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Absolution

- P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. 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.

✠ THE WORD ✠

(Please be seated)

L The punishment for sin is death. The scripture lessons for this day show how that fatal consequence applied even to Jesus, as he carried our sins, so that we would not perish but have everlasting life.

First Reading—Genesis 3 (selected verses) Now the serpent was more crafty than any of the wild animals the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God really say, ‘You must not eat from any tree in the garden’?”

²The woman said to the serpent, “We may eat fruit from the trees in the garden, ³ but God did say, ‘You must not eat fruit from the tree that is in the middle of the garden, and you must not touch it, or you will die.’”

⁴“You will not certainly die,” the serpent said to the woman. ⁵“For God knows that when you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.”

⁶When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it.

⁹But the Lord God called to the man, “Where are you?”

¹⁷To Adam he said, “Because you listened to your wife and ate fruit from the tree about which I commanded you, ‘You must not eat from it,’

“Cursed is the ground because of you;
through painful toil you will eat food from it
all the days of your life.

¹⁸It will produce thorns and thistles for you,
and you will eat the plants of the field.

¹⁹By the sweat of your brow
you will eat your food
until you return to the ground,
since from it you were taken;
for dust you are
and to dust you will return.”

R O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Bell Choir (7:00 p.m.)

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

Arr. by J. Behnke

Second Reading—Romans 5:9-15 Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God’s wrath through him! ¹⁰For if, while we were God’s enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life! ¹¹Not only is this so, but we also boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

¹²Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way death came to all people, because all sinned—

¹³ To be sure, sin was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not charged against anyone's account where there is no law. ¹⁴ Nevertheless, death reigned from the time of Adam to the time of Moses, even over those who did not sin by breaking a command, as did Adam, who is a pattern of the one to come.

¹⁵ But the gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died by the trespass of the one man, how much more did God's grace and the gift that came by the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, overflow to the many!

R O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

(Please stand)

L The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the twenty-seventh chapter, verses 38-54

C Glory to You, O Lord.

Two rebels were crucified with him, one on his right and one on his left. ³⁹ Those who passed by hurled insults at him, shaking their heads ⁴⁰ and saying, "You who are going to destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself! Come down from the cross, if you are the Son of God!" ⁴¹ In the same way the chief priests, the teachers of the law and the elders mocked him. ⁴² "He saved others," they said, "but he can't save himself! He's the king of Israel! Let him come down now from the cross, and we will believe in him. ⁴³ He trusts in God. Let God rescue him now if he wants him, for he said, 'I am the Son of God.'" ⁴⁴ In the same way the rebels who were crucified with him also heaped insults on him.

⁴⁵ From noon until three in the afternoon darkness came over all the land. ⁴⁶ About three in the afternoon Jesus cried out in a loud voice, "*Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?*" (which means "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?").

⁴⁷ When some of those standing there heard this, they said, "He's calling Elijah."

⁴⁸ Immediately one of them ran and got a sponge. He filled it with wine vinegar, put it on a staff, and offered it to Jesus to drink. ⁴⁹ The rest said, "Now leave him alone. Let's see if Elijah comes to save him."

⁵⁰ And when Jesus had cried out again in a loud voice, he gave up his spirit.

⁵¹ At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom. The earth shook, the rocks split ⁵² and the tombs broke open. The bodies of many holy people who had died were raised to life. ⁵³ They came out of the tombs after Jesus' resurrection and went into the holy city and appeared to many people.

⁵⁴ When the centurion and those with him who were guarding Jesus saw the earthquake and all that had happened, they were terrified, and exclaimed, "Surely he was the Son of God!"

L This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

(Please be seated)

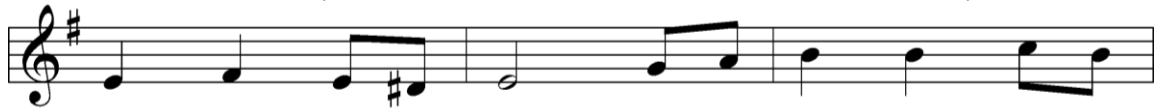
Hymn of the Day—LSB 451 Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted



1 Strick-en, smit-ten, and af - flict - ed, See Him dy - ing on the
2 Tell me, ye who hear Him groan-ing, Was there ev - er grief like
3 Ye who think of sin but light - ly Nor sup - pose the e - vil
4 Here we have a firm foun - da - tion, Here the ref - uge of the



tree! 'Tis the Christ, by man re - ject - ed; Yes, my
His? Friends through fear His cause dis - own - ing, Foes in -
great Here may view its na - ture right - ly, Here its
lost: Christ, the Rock of our sal - va - tion, Is the



soul, 'tis He, 'tis He! 'Tis the long - ex - pect - ed
sult - ing His dis - tress; Man - y hands were raised to
guilt may es - ti - mate. Mark the sac - ri - fice ap -
name of which we boast; Lamb of God, for sin - ners



Proph - et, Da - vid's Son, yet Da - vid's Lord; Proofs I
wound Him, None would in - ter - vene to save; But the
point - ed, See who bears the aw - ful load; 'Tis the
wound - ed, Sac - ri - fice to can - cel guilt! None shall



see suf - fi - cient of it: 'Tis the true and faith - ful Word.
deep - est stroke that pierced Him Was the stroke that jus - tice gave.
Word, the Lord's a - noint - ed, Son of Man and Son of God.
ev - er be con - found - ed Who on Him their hope have built.

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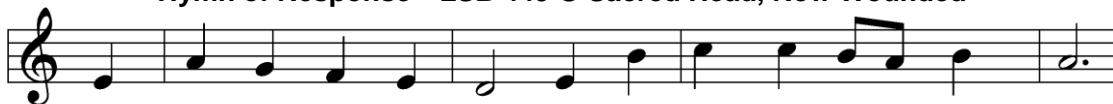
Sermon

Get Behind Me, Satan!

Matthew 16:21-23

(Please stand)

Hymn of Response—LSB 449 O Sacred Head, Now Wounded



1 O sa - cred Head, now wound - ed, With grief and shame weighed down,
2 What Thou, my Lord, hast suf - fered Was all for sin - ners' gain;
4 Be Thou my con - so - la - tion, My shield, when I must die;



Now scorn - ful - ly sur - round - ed With thorns, Thine on - ly crown.
Mine, mine was the trans - gres - sion, But Thine the dead - ly pain.
Re - mind me of Thy pas - sion When my last hour draws nigh.



O sa - cred Head, what glo - ry, What bliss, till now was Thine!
Lo, here I fall, my Sav - ior! 'Tis I de - serve Thy place;
Mine eyes shall then be - hold Thee, Up - on Thy cross shall dwell,



Yet, though de - spised and gor - y, I joy to call Thee mine.
Look on me with Thy fa - vor, And grant to me Thy grace.
My heart by faith en - fold Thee. Who di - eth thus dies well.

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(Offering—The offering plates will be in the narthex as you exit the church.)

(Please stand)

Responsive Reading

- L** We have an advocate with the Father; Jesus is the atonement for our sins.
C **He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.**
- L** 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.**
- L** We have an advocate with the Father; Jesus is the atonement for our sins.
C **He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.**

Prayers

- L** Let us pray. We adore You, Lord Jesus, in Your cross and Passion, through which You have brought life and joy into the world.
- C** **Be gracious to us according to Your mercy and bless us and lift up the light of Your countenance upon us and give us Your peace.**

L Gracious Jesus, You are our Lord and our God. On this day You bore our sins on the tree so that we, being dead in sin, might live for righteousness. Have mercy upon us now and when we die. Please grant us, Your servants, a holy and peaceful life in this world and in the life to come, where, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, You live and reign God forever. **C** Amen.

(The 12:15 p.m. service continues on the next page.)

(Please be seated)

7 P.M.

✠ TENEBRAE SERVICE ✠

Dramatic sounds and visuals of the Passion of Christ

(Church is darkened.)

**Removal of the Christ Candle
The Last Seven Words of Christ
Strepitus (*The closing of the Book*)
Return of the Christ Candle**

(Please stand)

The Lord's Prayer

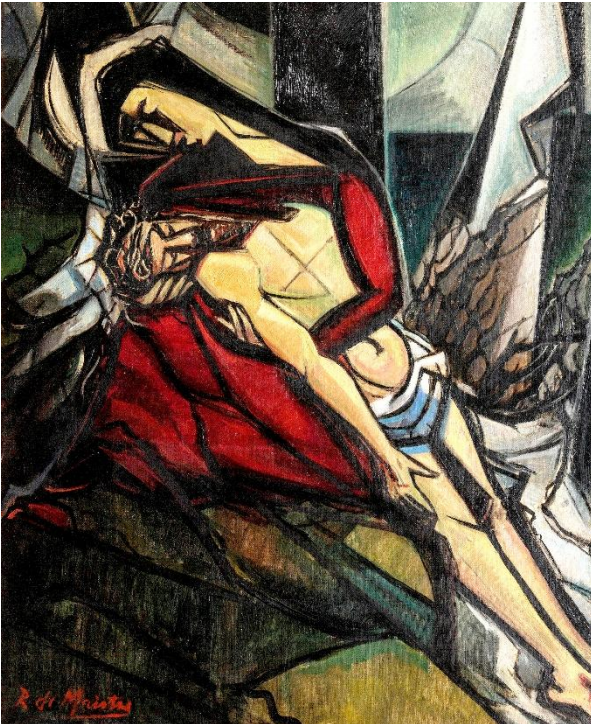
L Let us pray as our Lord has taught us.

(Spoken softly)

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.

(Lights brightened)

There is no benediction; our worship continues to Sunday morning. The congregation leaves the church in silence, remembering the light which lingers and casts hope through the gloom of Good Friday, hinting of Easter's sunrise and resurrection.



Stations of the Cross XIII, Roy de Maistre Pietà (c. 1953)

(Pastor and people depart in silence.)

(12:15 p.m. service continues)

The Lord's Prayer

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Freed!

Good Friday, April 3
Remembering Jesus' Death

12:15 p.m. - Traditional Service

7:00 p.m. - Worship featuring
a dramatic visual

Easter Sunday, April 5
Celebrating Jesus' Resurrection

8:00 a.m. - Traditional Service

10:30 a.m. - Worship featuring hymns,
praise music and an outdoor Easter egg hunt

9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. - Breakfast
in the Education Center ("The Bays")



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