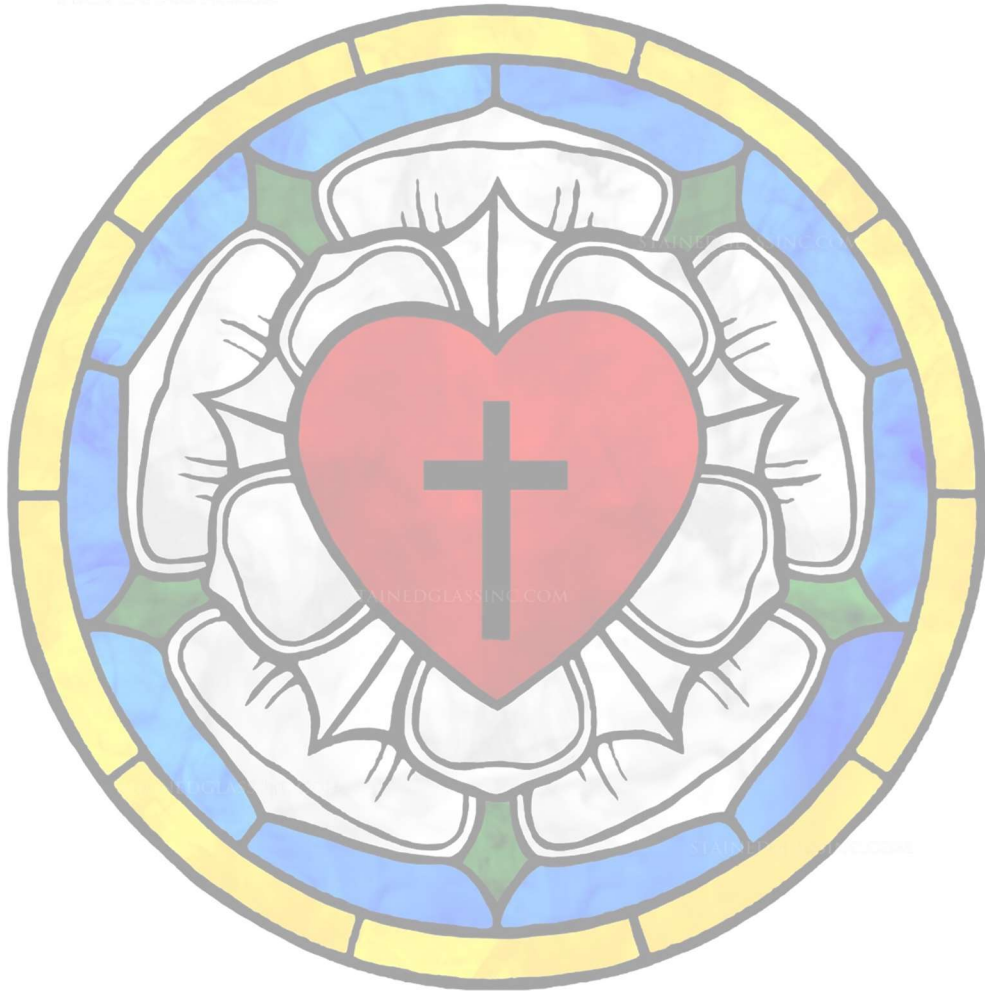


INCARNATION LUTHERAN CHURCH

✝ Good Friday ✝ April 15th, 2022

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Worship Notes:

• Our Lector for today is Mimi Fisher • Our Crucifer for today is Bill Williamson • Our Cantors for today are Emma Schwertfuehrer and Kevin Piner • Seminarian Gina Schaefer • Our guest flutist is Cynthia Hopkins

GATHERING

At the heart of the Good Friday liturgy is the passion according to John, which proclaims Jesus as a triumphant king who reigns from the cross. The ancient title for this day—the triumph of the cross—reminds us that the church gathers not to mourn this day but to celebrate Christ’s life-giving passion and to find strength and hope in the tree of life. In the ancient bidding prayer, we offer petitions for all the world for whom Christ died.

VOLUNTARY: Sonata in G minor, Opus 1

G.F. Handel

I. Adagio

II. Andante

OPENING LITURGY

We remember this day the crucifixion of our Lord.

Our Lord Jesus, who for our sake was obedient unto death.

We focus on the cross He carried in our place.

And the weight of sins which He bore for us.

Tonight we contemplate Jesus’ suffering and death;

that we might die to ourselves through Him and be raised to new Life.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Almighty God, **we ask you to look with mercy on your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed and to be given over to the hands of sinners and to suffer death on the cross; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.**

Amen.

ISAIAH 52:13--53:12

Please be seated.

¹³See, my servant shall prosper;

he shall be exalted and lifted up,
and shall be very high.

¹⁴Just as there were many who were astonished at him

—so marred was his appearance, beyond human semblance,
and his form beyond that of mortals—

¹⁵so he shall startle many nations;

kings shall shut their mouths because of him;
for that which had not been told them they shall see,
and that which they had not heard they shall contemplate.

^{53:1}Who has believed what we have heard?

And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?

²For 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,

nothing in his appearance that we should desire him.
³He was despised and rejected by others;
a man of suffering and acquainted with infirmity;
and as one from whom others hide their faces
he was despised, and we held him of no account.
⁴Surely he has borne our infirmities
and carried our diseases;
yet we accounted him stricken,
struck down by God, and afflicted.
⁵But he was wounded for our transgressions,
crushed for our iniquities;
upon him was the punishment that made us whole,
and by his bruises we are healed.
⁶All we like sheep have gone astray;
we have all turned to our own way,
and the LORD has laid on him
the iniquity of us all.
⁷He was oppressed, and he was afflicted,
yet he did not open his mouth;
like a lamb that is led to the slaughter,
and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent,
so he did not open his mouth.
⁸By a perversion of justice he was taken away.
Who could have imagined his future?
For he was cut off from the land of the living,
stricken for the transgression of my people.
⁹They made his grave with the wicked
and his tomb with the rich,
although he had done no violence,
and there was no deceit in his mouth.
¹⁰Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him with pain.
When you make his life an offering for sin,
he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days;
through him the will of the LORD shall prosper.
¹¹Out of his anguish he shall see light;
he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge.
The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous,
and he shall bear their iniquities.
¹²Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great,
and he shall divide the spoil with the strong;
because he poured out himself to death,
and was numbered with the transgressors;
yet he bore the sin of many,
and made intercession for the transgressors.

MEDITATION

Pastor Emily Willhide

HYMN: ELW 353

Were You There
WERE YOU THERE

THE SEVEN LAST WORDS

THE FIRST WORD: *"Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do."*

SCRIPTURE READING: Luke 23:20-34

²⁰Pilate, wanting to release Jesus, addressed them again; ²¹but they kept shouting, "Crucify, crucify him!" ²²A third time he said to them, "Why, what evil has he done? I have found in him no ground for the sentence of death; I will therefore have him flogged and then release him." ²³But they kept urgently demanding with loud shouts that he should be crucified; and their voices prevailed. ²⁴So Pilate gave his verdict that their demand should be granted. ²⁵He released the man they asked for, the one who had been put in prison for insurrection and murder, and he handed Jesus over as they wished.

²⁶As they led him away, they seized a man, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming from the country, and they laid the cross on him, and made him carry it behind Jesus. ²⁷A great number of the people followed him, and among them were women who were beating their breasts and wailing for him. ²⁸But Jesus turned to them and said, "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. ²⁹For the days are surely coming when they will say, 'Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bore, and the breasts that never nursed.' ³⁰Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us'; and to the hills, 'Cover us.' ³¹For if they do this when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?"

³²Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. ³³When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. ³⁴Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing.

Anthem: "Today Shalt Thou Be with Me in Paradise"

Robert Wetzler

THE SECOND WORD: *"Truly I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."*

SCRIPTURE READING: Luke 23:35-43

³⁵And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" ³⁶The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, ³⁷and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" ³⁸There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews." ³⁹One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" ⁴⁰But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? ⁴¹And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." ⁴²Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." ⁴³He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

ELW 351:

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded
HERZLICH TUT MICH VERLANGEN

THE THIRD WORD: *“Woman behold your son...behold your mother.”*

SCRIPTURE READING: John 19:23-27

²³When the soldiers had crucified Jesus, they took his clothes and divided them into four parts, one for each soldier. They also took his tunic; now the tunic was seamless, woven in one piece from the top. ²⁴So they said to one another, "Let us not tear it, but cast lots for it to see who will get it." This was to fulfill what the scripture says, "They divided my clothes among themselves, and for my clothing they cast lots." ²⁵And that is what the soldiers did. Meanwhile, standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. ²⁶When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, "Woman, here is your son." ²⁷Then he said to the disciple, "Here is your mother." And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

Partita: Herzlich tut mich verlangen (Variation 1 & 2)

Johann Pachelbel
(1653-1706)

THE FOURTH WORD: *“My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”*

SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 27:45-49

⁴⁵From noon on, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. ⁴⁶And about three o'clock Jesus cried with a loud voice, "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?" that is, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" ⁴⁷When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, "This man is calling for Elijah." ⁴⁸At once one of them ran and got a sponge, filled it with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink. ⁴⁹But the others said, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him."

Partita: Herzlich tut mich verlangen (Variation 3 & 4)

Johann Pachelbel
(1653-1706)

THE FIFTH WORD: *“I thirst.”*

SCRIPTURE READING: John 19:28-29

²⁸After this, when Jesus knew that all was now finished, he said (in order to fulfill the scripture), "I am thirsty." ²⁹A jar full of sour wine was standing there. So they put a sponge full of the wine on a branch of hyssop and held it to his mouth.

Partita: Herzlich tut mich verlangen (Variation 5 & 6)

Johann Pachelbel
(1653-1706)

THE SIXTH WORD: "It is finished."

SCRIPTURE READING: John 19:30

³⁰When Jesus had received the wine, he said, "It is finished." Then he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

Partita: Herzlich tut mich verlangen (Variation 7)

Johann Pachelbel
(1653-1706)

THE SEVENTH WORD: "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit."

SCRIPTURE READING: Luke 23:44-49

⁴⁴It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, ⁴⁵while the sun's light failed; and the curtain of the temple was torn in two. ⁴⁶Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said, "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit." Having said this, he breathed his last. ⁴⁷When the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God and said, "Certainly this man was innocent." ⁴⁸And when all the crowds who had gathered there for this spectacle saw what had taken place, they returned home, beating their breasts. ⁴⁹But all his acquaintances, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things.

ELW 342:

There in God's Garden
SHADES MOUNTAIN

THE PRAYERS

On Good Friday, the church's ancient Bidding Prayer is sung or spoken. You are invited to sit or kneel as you are able.

*Each petition ends with: We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.***

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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.

PERIOD OF CONTEMPLATION:

Anthem: Ah, Holy Jesus/Nine Tailors

Paul J. Sticha

“Nine Tailors” refers to a toll from tower bells that announced the death of a man.

PRAYER

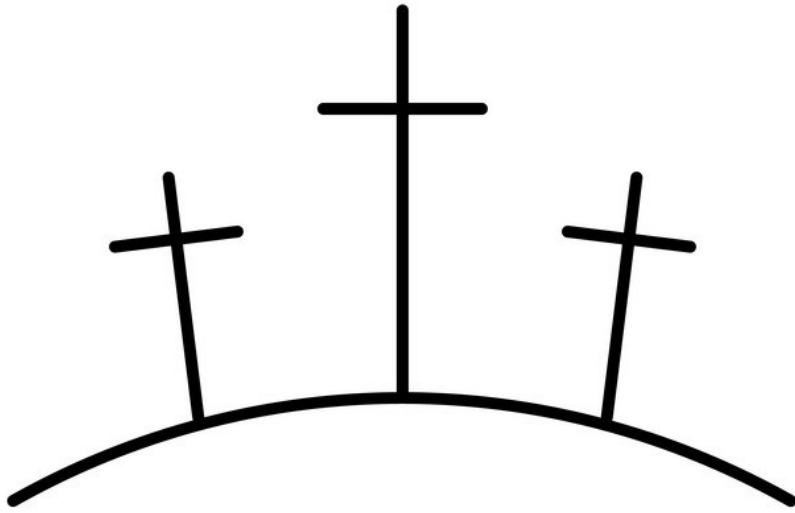
Oh God, were it not for your love, our lives would be lived in darkness for all eternity. Were it not for your Son, Jesus Christ, who suffered and died on this day, our lives would be lost in a dark pit of sin and human selfishness. Help us never to forget the price of our redemption and the costly love you poured out for us on the cross. In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray. **Amen.**

EXTINGUISHING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

Christ has died.

We await His resurrection.

*Join us on Easter Sunday at 10:00 AM as we celebrate
the Resurrection of Christ, our Lord.*



Good Friday