Good Friday Solemn Liturgy with Mass of the Pre-Sanctified April 7, 2023—7:00 p.m.



Saint Luke's Episcopal Church

Los Gatos, California

On this day the ministers enter in silence.

All then kneel for silent prayer, if able, after which the Celebrant stands and says,

Celebrant Blessed be our God,

People For ever and ever. Amen.

Celebrant Let us pray.

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 now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

The people sit for the lessons. There is silence following each lesson.

The First Lesson

Isaiah 52:13-53:12

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 22

- My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? and are so far from my cry and from the words of my distress?
- O my God, I cry in the daytime, but you do not answer; by night as well, but I find no rest.
- 3 Yet you are the Holy One, enthroned upon the praises of Israel.
- 4 Our forefathers put their trust in you; they trusted, and you delivered them.
- 5 They cried out to you and were delivered; they trusted in you and were not put to shame.
- 6 But as for me, I am a worm and no man, scorned by all and despised by the people.
- 7 All who see me laugh me to scorn; they curl their lips and wag their heads, saying,

- 8 "He trusted in the Lord; let him deliver him; let him rescue him, if he delights in him."
- 9 Yet you are he who took me out of the womb, and kept me safe upon my mother's breast.
- I have been entrusted to you ever since I was born; you were my God when I was still in my mother's womb.
- Be not far from me, for trouble is near, and there is none to help.
- Many young bulls encircle me; strong bulls of Bashan surround me.
- 13 They open wide their jaws at me, like a ravening and a roaring lion.
- I am poured out like water; all my bones are out of joint; my heart within my breast is melting wax.
- My mouth is dried out like a pot-sherd; my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth; and you have laid me in the dust of the grave.
- Packs of dogs close me in, and gangs of evildoers circle around me; they pierce my hands and my feet; I can count all my bones.
- They stare and gloat over me; They divide my garments among them; they cast lots for my clothing.
- Be not far away, O Lord; you are my strength; hasten to help me.
- 19 Save me from the sword, my life from the power of the dog.
- Save me from the lion's mouth, my wretched body from the horns of wild bulls.
- I will declare your Name to my brethren; in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.

- 22 Praise the Lord, you that fear him; stand in awe of him, O offspring of Israel; all you of Jacob's line, give glory.
- For he does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty; neither does he hide his face from them; but when they cry to him he hears them.
- 24 My praise is of him in the great assembly; I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.
- The poor shall eat and be satisfied, and those who seek the Lord shall praise him: "May your heart live for ever!"
- All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord, and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.
- 27 For kingship belongs to the Lord; he rules over the nations.
- To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; all who go down to the dust fall before him.
- 29 My soul shall live for him; my descendants shall serve him; they shall be known as the Lord's for ever.
- 30 They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn the saving deeds that he has done.

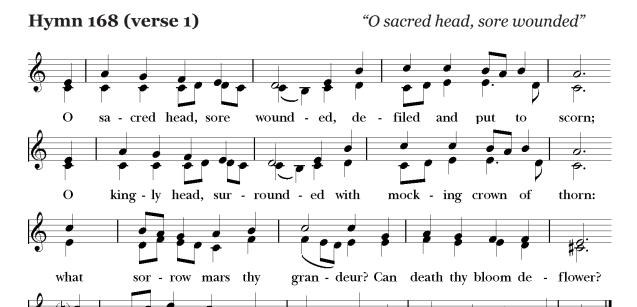
The Second Lesson

Hebrews 10:16-25

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

The Passion Gospel

John 18:1-19:42



Words: Paul Gerhardt (1607-1676); sts. 1-3 and 5, tr. Robert Seymour Bridges (1844-1930); st. 4, tr. James Waddell Alexander (1804-1859), alt. Music: Herzlich tut mich verlangen [Passion Chorale], Hans Leo Hessler (1564-1612); adapt. and harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

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Please be seated and listen to the reading of the Passion. The following is not a full text; only text relevant to the congregation is excerpted below. The customary responses before and after the Gospel are omitted.

Clergy The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

... Narrator Peter denied it and said,

Reader "I am not."

Narrator One of the slaves of the high priest, a relative of the man whose ear

Peter had cut off, asked,

Reader "Did I not see you in the garden with Jesus?"

Narrator Again Peter denied it, and at that moment the cock crowed.

Hymn 168 (verse 2)

"O sacred head, sore wounded"

Thy beauty, long desired, hath vanished from our sight; Thy power is all expired, and quenched the light of light. Ah, me! for whom thou diest, hide not so far thy grace: show me, O Love most highest, the brightness of thy face.

...Narrator Pilate asked him,

Reader "What is truth?"

Narrator After Pilate had said this, he went out to the Jews again and told

them,

Reader "I find no case against him. But you have a custom that I release

someone for you at the Passover. Do you want me to release for you

the King of the Jews?"

Narrator They shouted in reply,

Reader "Not this man, but Barabbas!"

Narrator Now Barabbas was a bandit.

In thy most bitter passion my heart to share doth cry, with thee for my salvation upon the cross to die. Ah, keep my heart thus moved to stand thy cross beneath, to mourn thee, well-beloved, yet thank thee for thy death.

Then Pilate took Jesus and had him flogged. And the soldiers wove Narrator

a crown of thorns and put it on his head, and they dressed him in a

purple robe. They kept coming up to him, saying,

"Hail, King of the Jews!" Reader

and striking him on the face. Pilate went out again and said to the Narrator

crowd,

"Look, I am bringing him out to you to let you know that I find no Reader

case against him."

So Jesus came out, wearing the crown of thorns and the purple Narrator

robe. Pilate said to them.

"Here is the man!" Reader

Narrator When the chief priests and the police saw Jesus,

they shouted,

"Crucify him! Crucify him!" **People**

When Pilate heard these words, he brought Jesus outside and ... Narrator

> sat on the judge's bench at a place called the Stone Pavement, or in Hebrew Gabbatha. Now it was the day of Preparation for the

Passover; and it was about noon. Pilate said to the crowd,

"Here is your King!" Reader

They cried out, Narrator

"Away with him! Away with him! Crucify him!" **People**

Pilate asked them, Narrator

"Shall I crucify your King?" Reader

The chief priests answered, Narrator

Reader "We have no king but the emperor."

Narrator Then Pilate handed Jesus over to them to be crucified.

The Congregation Stands.

Hymn 168 (verse 4)

"O sacred head, sore wounded"

What language shall I borrow to thank thee, dearest friend, for this thy dying sorrow, thy pity without end?
Oh, make me thine forever! and should I fainting be,
Lord let me never, never, outlive my love for thee.

... Jesus "I am thirsty."

Narrator A 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. When Jesus

had received the wine, he said,

Jesus "It is finished."

Narrator Then he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

The Congregation kneels in silence, as able, standing when clergy stand. After standing, final verse of hymn is sung.

Hymn 168 (verse 5)

"O sacred head, sore wounded"

My days are few, O fail not, with thine immortal power, to hold me that I quail not in death's most fearful hour; that I may fight befriended, and see in my last strife to me thine arms extended upon the cross of life.

Narrator

Since it was the day of Preparation, the Jews did not want the bodies left on the cross during the sabbath, especially because that sabbath was a day of great solemnity ...

... Now there was a garden in the place where he was crucified, and in the garden there was a new tomb in which no one had ever been laid. And so, because it was the Jewish day of Preparation, and the tomb was nearby, they laid Jesus there. Silence follows the sermon.

The Solemn Collects

Please stand or kneel.

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. We pray, therefore, for people everywhere according to their needs.

Let us pray for the holy Catholic Church of Christ throughout the world:
For its unity in witness and service;
For all bishops and other ministers and the people whom they serve;
For Lucinda, our Bishop, the clergy and lay leadership, and all the people of this diocese;
For all Christians in this community;
For those about to be baptized;
That God will confirm his Church in faith, increase it in love, and preserve it in peace.

Silence

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Let us pray for all nations and peoples of the earth, and for those in authority among them:

For Joseph, the President of the United States;

For the Congress and the Supreme Court;

For the Members and Representatives of the United Nations;

For all who serve the common good;

That by God's help they may seek justice and truth, and live in peace and concord.

Silence

Almighty God, kindle, we pray, in every heart the true love of peace, and guide with your wisdom those who take counsel for the nations of the earth; that in tranquility your dominion may increase, until the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

Let us pray for all who suffer and are afflicted in body or in mind:
For the hungry and the homeless, the destitute and the oppressed;
For the sick, the wounded, and the crippled;
For those in loneliness, fear, and anguish;
For those who face temptation, doubt, and despair;
For the sorrowful and bereaved;
For prisoners and captives, and those in mortal danger;
That God in his mercy will comfort and relieve them, and grant them the knowledge of his love, and stir up in us the will and patience to minister to their needs.

Silence

Gracious God, the comfort of all who sorrow, the strength of all who suffer: Let the cry of those in misery and need come to you, that they may find your mercy present with them in all their afflictions; and give us, we pray, the strength to serve them for the sake of him who suffered for us, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

Let us pray for all who have not received the Gospel of Christ: For those who have never heard the word of salvation; For those who have lost their faith; For those hardened by sin or indifference; For the contemptuous and the scornful; For those who are enemies of the cross of Christ and persecutors of his disciples; For those who in the name of Christ have persecuted others; That God will open their hearts to the truth, and lead them to faith and obedience.

Silence

Merciful God, Creator of all the peoples of the earth and lover of souls: Have compassion on all who do not know you as you are revealed in your Son Jesus Christ; let your Gospel be preached with grace and power to those who have not heard it; turn the hearts of those who resist it; and bring home to your fold those who have gone astray; that there may be one flock under one shepherd, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

Let us commit ourselves to our God, and pray for the grace of a holy life, that, with all who have departed this world and have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to God alone, we may be accounted worthy to enter into the fullness of the joy of our Lord, and receive the crown of life in the day of resurrection.

Silence

Celebrant

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light: Look favorably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; by the effectual working of your providence, carry out in tranquility the plan of salvation; let the whole world see and know that things which were cast down are being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are being brought to their perfection by him through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

Hymn 474

"When I survey the wondrous cross"



Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748) Music: Rockingham, from Second Supplement to Psalmody in Miniature, ca. 1780; harm. Edward Miller (1731-1807)

 $A \ wooden \ cross \ is \ now \ brought \ into \ the \ church \ and \ placed \ in \ the \ sight \ of \ the \ people.$

 ${\it The \ versicle \ and \ response \ is \ said \ or \ sung \ three \ times.}$

Clergy Behold the wood of the cross,

on which hung the Savior of the world.

People Come, let us worship.

Veneration of the Cross

The congregation may kneel or sit.

After veneration by the Altar Party, members of the congregation may come forward to venerate the cross, forming a single line in the center aisle.

You may make any appropriate reverence: kneel or stand before the cross, touch it with your hand or kiss it.

For the following anthems, please read the parts in bold aloud.

Anthem 1

We glory in your cross, O Lord, and praise and glorify your holy resurrection; for by virtue of your cross joy has come to the whole world.

May God be merciful to us and bless us, show us the light of his countenance, and come to us.

Let your ways be known upon earth, your saving health among all nations.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

We glory in your cross, O Lord, and praise and glorify your holy resurrection; for by virtue of your cross joy has come to the whole world.

Anthem 2

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you, because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

If we have died with him, we shall also live with him; If we endure, we shall also reign with him.

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you, because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Anthem 3

O Savior of the world, who by thy cross and precious blood hast redeemed us, **Save us and help us, we humbly beseech thee, O Lord.**

Hymn 441

During the hymn, Celebrant goes to the Altar of Repose for the Blessed Sacrament, which is placed on the Altar.



Words: John Bowring (1792-1872) Music: Rathbun, Ithamar Conkey (1815-1867)

The Confession

The Celebrant says Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Said by all.

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Celebrant then says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen**.

The Lord's Prayer

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Said by all
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,
for ever and ever. Amen.

All receive Holy Communion.

The service concludes with the following prayer. No blessing or dismissal is added.

Celebrant

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, we pray you to set your passion, cross, and death between your judgment and our souls, now and in the hour of our death. Give mercy and grace to the living; pardon and rest to the dead; to your holy Church peace and concord; and to us sinners everlasting life and glory; for with the Father and Holy Spirit you live and reign, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

The Congregation leaves the Church in silence.

You are invited to remain in prayer.



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