

# GOOD FRIDAY WORSHIP

April 2, 2021 - Noon & 7PM



*Due to somber nature of this Good Friday service, we ask that you enter the sanctuary in silence and remain in your pews in reverence throughout the service. Please check and make sure your cell phone or other electronic devices are turned off. The service begins and ends in silence. Both before and after worship tonight, we refrain from conversation in solemn reverence and remembrance of our Lord's crucifixion. Thank you!*

*The dimly-lighted sanctuary serves as a reminder of the awful consequence of sin and the darkness that fell upon the earth on the Friday when Jesus was crucified. "And it was the sixth hour, and there was darkness over all the earth until the ninth hour."*

*Tenebrae is a Latin word meaning shadow or darkness, and the service used tonight is sometimes called the "Service of Shadows." There are seven candles to correspond to the seven sayings Jesus spoke from the cross. The extinguishing of candles symbolizes the flight of the disciples, as well as the total submission of Jesus in suffering for the forgiveness and salvation of all humanity.*

*The removal of the eighth candle symbolizes the death of our Lord. The final darkness reminds us of Christ's stay in the tomb. However, the candle is not extinguished – as a reminder of the victory of God's love that occurs on Easter. We rest assured in the power of God to conquer even death and in God's grace for all through Jesus Christ, who is the Light of the World.*

*The loud closing of the book echoes Jesus' cry on the cross, "It is finished." The Bible is loudly closed to symbolize that in Jesus – his ministry, death, and resurrection – all the Scriptures find fulfillment. The Bible remains closed until the middle of the Easter Vigil service, when it is opened to proclaim the Good News of Jesus' Resurrection!*

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## WE GATHER IN SILENCE

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us pray ..... Almighty God, look with loving mercy on your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, 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, on God, forever and ever.

**People: Amen.**

### CALL TO PRAYER

*"O Lord, Hear My Prayer"*

*O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: when I call, answer me.*

*O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: come and listen to me.*

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### ANCIENT BIDDING PRAYER

Assist: Let us pray, brothers and sisters, for the holy church throughout the world.

*Silent prayer.*

Pastor: Almighty and eternal God, you have shown your glory to all nations in Jesus Christ. By your Holy Spirit guide the church and gather it throughout the world. Help it to persevere in faith, proclaim your name, and bring the good news of salvation in Christ to all people. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **People: Amen.**

Assist: Let us pray for our bishops, Elizabeth and Ginny, for our pastors and deacons, for all servants of the church, and for all the people of God.

*Silent prayer.*

Pastor: Almighty and eternal God, your Spirit guides the church and makes it holy. Strengthen and uphold our bishops, pastors, other ministers, and lay leaders. Keep them in health and safety for the good of the church, and help each of us in our various vocations to do faithfully the work to which you have called us. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **People: Amen.**

Assist: Let us pray for those preparing for baptism.

*Silent prayer.*

Pastor: Almighty and eternal God, you continue to bless the church. Increase the faith and understanding of those preparing for baptism. Give them new birth as your children, and keep them in the faith and communion of your holy church. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **People: Amen.**

Assist: Let us pray for our sisters and brothers who share our faith in Jesus Christ.

*Silent prayer.*

Pastor: Almighty and eternal God, you give your church unity. Look with favor on all who follow Jesus your Son. Make all the baptized one in the fullness of faith, and keep us united in the fellowship of love. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

**People: Amen.**

Assist: Let us pray for the Jewish people, the first to hear the word of God... *Silent prayer.*  
Pastor: Almighty and eternal God, long ago you gave your promise to Abraham and your teaching to Moses. Hear our prayers that the people you called and elected as your own may receive the fulfillment of the covenant's promises. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

**People: Amen.**

Assist: Let us pray for those who do not share our faith in Jesus Christ... *Silent prayer.*  
Pastor: Almighty and eternal God, gather into your embrace all those who call out to you under different names. Bring an end to inter-religious strife, and make us more faithful witnesses of the love made known to the world in your Son. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

**People: Amen.**

Assist: Let us pray for those who do not believe in God... *Silent prayer.*  
Pastor: Almighty and eternal God, you created humanity so that all may long to know you and find peace in you. Grant that all may recognize the signs of your love and grace in the world and in the lives of Christians, and gladly acknowledge you as the one true God. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

**People: Amen.**

Assist: Let us pray for God's creation. *Silent prayer.*  
Pastor: Almighty and eternal God, you are the creator of a magnificent universe. Hold all the worlds in the arms of your care and bring all things to fulfillment in you. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

**People: Amen.**

Assist: Let us pray for those who serve in public office... *Silent prayer.*  
Pastor: Almighty and eternal God, you are the champion of the poor and oppressed. In your goodness, give wisdom to those in authority, so that all people may enjoy justice, peace, freedom, and a share in the goodness of your creation. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

**People: Amen.**

Assist: Let us pray for those in need... *Silent prayer.*  
Pastor: Almighty and eternal God, you give strength to the weary and new courage to those who have lost heart. Heal the sick, comfort the dying, give safety to travelers, free those unjustly deprived of liberty, and deliver your world from falsehood, hunger, and disease. Hear the prayers of all who call on you in any trouble, that they may have the joy of receiving your help in their need. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

**People: Amen.**

Assist: Finally, let us pray for all those things for which our Lord would have us ask ...

**People: 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.**

## MUSIC FOR REFLECTION

*"Ah, Holy Jesus"*

Living Springs JuBELLation Handbells

Ah, Holy Jesus; Text: Johann Heermann, tr. Robert Bridges; Music: HERZLIEBSTER JESUS, Johann Crüger

## THE FIRST LIGHT

Word of Prophecy

Isaiah 53:3

Word from the Cross

**"Father, forgive them"**

Luke 23:32-38

*Silent Prayer & Reflection (we kneel as able)*

Hymn

*"O Sacred Head Now Wounded" vs. 1*

Zack Ward, cellist

*O sacred head, now wounded, with grief and shame weighed down,*

*Now scornfully surrounded with thorns, thine only crown;*

*O sacred head, what glory, what bliss till now was thine!*

*Yet, though despised and gory, I joy to call thee mine.*

O Sacred Head Now Wounded; Text: Paul Gerhardt, based on Arnulf of Louvain, tr. composite; Music: HERZLICH TUT MICH VERLANGEN, German melody, adapt Hans Leo Hassler

## THE SECOND LIGHT

Word of Prophecy

Isaiah 53:12

Word from the Cross

**"You will be with me in paradise"**

Luke 23:39-43

*Silent Prayer & Reflection (we kneel as able)*

Hymn

*"Jesus Remember Me"*

*Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.*

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Jesus, Remember Me; Text: Luke 23:42; Taizé Community; Music: REMEMBER ME Jacques Berthier

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## THE THIRD LIGHT

Word of Prophecy

Isaiah 53:10-11

Word from the Cross

**"Woman, here is your son"**

John 19:23-27

*Silent Prayer & Reflection (we kneel as able)*

Cello Solo

*"Beneath the Cross of Jesus"*

Zack Ward, cellist

*Upon the cross of Jesus, my eye at times can see*

*The very dying form of one who suffered there for me.*

*And from my contrite heart, with tears, two wonders I confess:*

*The wonder of his glorious love and my unworthiness.*

Beneath the Cross of Jesus; Text: Johann Heermann, tr. Robert Bridges; Music: HERZLIEBSTER JESUS, Johann Crüger

## THE FOURTH LIGHT

Word of Prophecy  
Word from the Cross

**"Why have you forsaken me?"**  
*Silent Prayer & Reflection (we kneel as able)*

Isaiah 53:3  
Matthew 27:45-49

Choir Reflection

*"Ave Verum Corpus"*

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## THE FIFTH LIGHT

Word of Prophecy  
Word from the Cross

**"I am thirsty"**  
*Silent Prayer & Reflection (we kneel as able)*

Isaiah 53:7  
John 19:28-29

Hymn

*"O Sacred Head Now Wounded" vs. 2*

Zack Ward, cellist

*How pale thou art with anguish, with sore abuse and scorn;  
How does thy face now languish, which once was bright as morn!  
Thy grief and bitter passion were all for sinners gain;  
Mine, Mine was the transgression, but thine the bitter pain.*

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## THE SIXTH LIGHT

Word of Prophecy  
Word from the Cross

**"It is finished"**  
*Silent Prayer & Reflection (we kneel as able)*

Isaiah 53:4-5  
John 19:30-37

Choir Reflection

*"Ah, Holy Jesus"*

*Ah, holy Jesus, how hast thou offended  
That we to judge thee have in hate pretended?  
By foes derided, by thine own rejected, O most afflicted!*

Ah, Holy Jesus; Text: Johann Heermann, tr. Robert Bridges; Music: HERZLIEBSTER, Johann Crüger;

## THE SEVENTH LIGHT

Word of Prophecy  
Word from the Cross  
Piano Solo

**"Into your hands I commend my spirit"**  
*Prelude in C Minor by Chopin*

Isaiah 53:8  
Luke 23:44-49  
Trado Mayson, piano

*We stand as the Bell is rung 7 times. Then, a large Cross is carried to the altar. This cross is made of wood from the Oak Cross-Prayer Tree, which formerly stood at Living Springs' entrance.*

## PROCESSION OF THE CROSS

**Pastor:** Behold, the life-giving cross on which was hung the salvation of the whole world.

**People:** **Oh, come, let us worship him.**

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## **SOLEMN REPROACHES** *(We kneel as able)*

Pastor: O my people, O my church, what have I done to you? How have I offended you? Answer me. I led you out of slavery into freedom, and delivered you through the waters of rebirth, but you have prepared a cross for your Savior.

**People: Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.**

Pastor: O my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you? Answer me. Forty years I led you through the desert, feeding you with manna on the way; I saved you from the time of trial and gave you my body, the bread of heaven, but you have prepared a cross for your Savior.

**People: Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.**

Pastor: O my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you? Answer me. I led you on your way in a pillar of cloud and fire, but you led me to the judgment hall of Pilate; I guided you by the light of the Holy Spirit, but you have prepared a cross for your Savior.

**People: Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.**

Pastor: O my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you? Answer me. I planted you as my fairest vineyard, but you brought forth bitter fruit; I made you branches of the vine and never left your side, but you have prepared a cross for your Savior.

**People: Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.**

Pastor: O my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you? Answer me. I poured out saving water from the rock, but you gave me vinegar to drink; I poured out my life and gave you the new covenant in my blood, but you have prepared a cross for your Savior.

**People: Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.**

Pastor: O my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you? Answer me. I gave you a royal scepter, but you gave me a crown of thorns; I gave you the kingdom and crowned you with eternal life, but you have prepared a cross for your Savior.

**People: Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.**

Pastor: O my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you? Answer me. I struck down your enemies, but you struck my head with a reed; I gave you my peace, but you draw the sword in my name, and you have prepared a cross for your Savior.

**People: Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.**

Pastor: O my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you? Answer me. I opened the waters to lead you to the promised land, but you opened my side with a spear; I washed your feet as a sign of my love, but you have prepared a cross for your Savior.

**People: Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.**

Pastor: O my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you? Answer me. I lifted you up to the heights, but you lifted me high on a cross; I raised you from death and prepared for you the tree of life, but you have prepared a cross for your Savior.

**People: Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.**

Pastor: O my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you? Answer me. I grafted you into my people Israel, but you made them scapegoats for your own guilt, and you have prepared a cross for your Savior.

**People: Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.**

Pastor: O my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you? Answer me. I came to you in the least of your brothers and sisters, but I was hungry and you gave me no food, thirsty and you gave me no drink, a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not visit me, and you have prepared a cross for your Savior.

**People: Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.**

Pastor: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

**People: By your holy cross you have redeemed the world.**

*We are seated. The sanctuary is completely darkened.*

Cello Solo "Were You There When They Crucified My Lord?" Zack Ward, cellist

*Were you there when they crucified my Lord?  
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?  
Were you there when they pierced him in the side?  
Where you there when the sun refused to shine?  
Where you there when they laid him in the tomb?  
Oh, sometimes it cause me to tremble, tremble, tremble!*

Were You There When They Crucified My Lord?; Text: African American spiritual; Music: WERE YOU THERE, African American spiritual

*Then the eighth candle is carried into the midst of the congregation - to symbolize the body of Jesus carried to the tomb, where the hope of the world lay until Easter morning.*

## **THE EIGHTH LIGHT**

Word of Prophecy and Fulfillment

Isaiah 53:9, John 19:38-42

## **CLOSING OF THE BIBLE**

### **THE WORD OF GOD'S LIGHT & HOPE**

John 1:1-5, 3:16-17

*You may stay and pray as long as you desire.*

### **WE DEPART IN SILENCE**

*There is no formal "Benediction" at the end of this service, since we continue our worship throughout this Holy Week wherever we are - dispersed in the world. We re-convene to worship together again on Holy Saturday at 7:30 PM.*

# HOLY WEEK



## Holy Saturday, April 3

7:30pm (portico/lawn Vigil Service)

## Easter Morning, April 4

6:30am Son-Rise (lawn)

8:15am Worship (sanctuary)

10:30am Festival Worship (sanctuary/lawn/vehicle/online)

*(\*Lutheran Men will have Easter Breakfast "to-go" boxes available for pick-up after the Son-rise and 8:15 worship services)*

## Easter Evening, April 4

6pm Emmaus Communion Worship

GoogleMeet from your home

[meet.google.com/gtk-ebxv-zjp](https://meet.google.com/gtk-ebxv-zjp)

Or join by phone, 484-544-3135 PIN: 164 292 357#

## WELCOME TO ALL WHO WORSHIP THIS NIGHT!

*We rejoice in your presence here tonight,*

*as we join with others throughout the world for worship in this Holy Week!*

*May the Spirit speak to your heart the message of God's redeeming love for everyone, as shown to the world through the events of Holy Week and Easter.*

*We pray that that God's healing grace may truly touch every aspect of your life!*

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*If you are looking for a church family to offer you and your family support, fellowship, growth in faith, and opportunities to share the love of God with others,*

*we invite you to come experience the Spirit's presence here at Living Springs.*

*Everyone is welcome here - to share in the grace and unconditional love given us through Christ!*

**WELCOME GUESTS!** – We are especially blessed by your presence today and look forward to worshipping with you again. Please take time to sign the welcome book in the narthex. New members are always welcome into our congregation. To learn more about becoming part of Christ's family of faith here at Living Springs, please contact the Pastor Carl (736-0661) or Pastor Eric (917-2749).

**RESTROOMS** – are located in the Administration Building. Greeters/ushers will be happy to show you the way. Restrooms are equipped with diaper changing stations.

**OUR PRAYER MINISTRY** – As a community of disciples, we pray for one another and others - not just in times of illness, but also for praise, thanksgiving, and forgiveness. If you have a prayer request, call the office (736-0661) or send an email to: [prayer@livingspringscolumbia.org](mailto:prayer@livingspringscolumbia.org)