



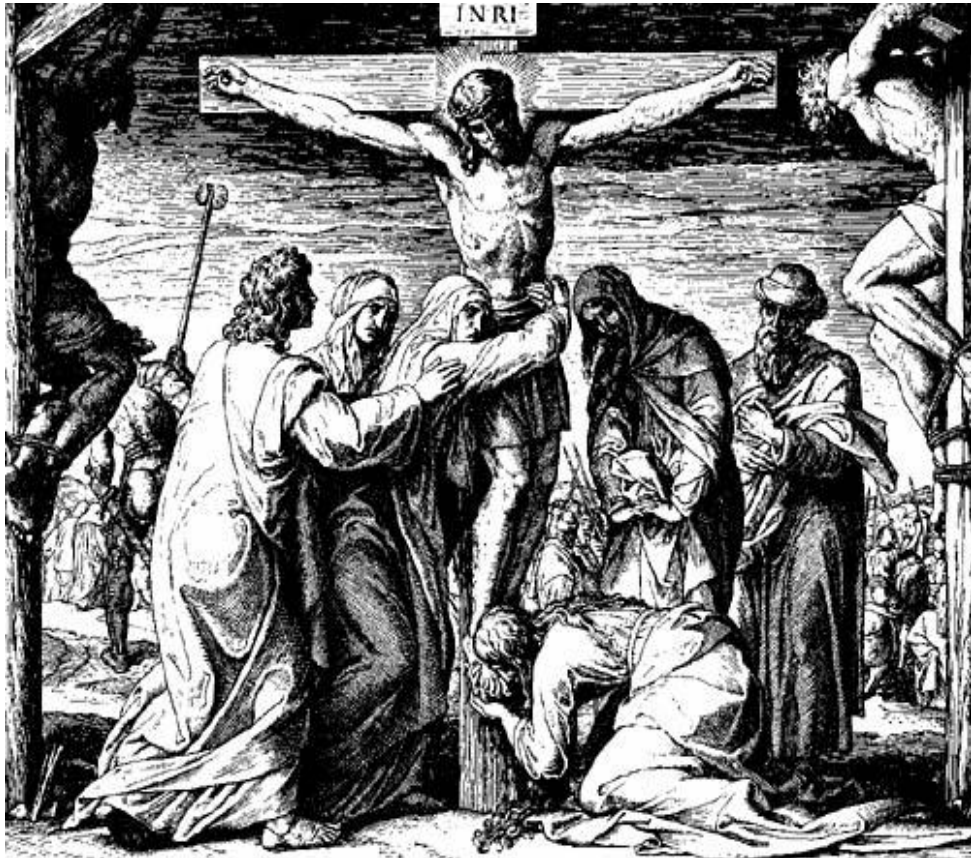
Easter Sunday Worship
7:00AM & 10:15AM
Easter Breakfast
7:30AM

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GOOD FRIDAY EVENING



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THE ORDER OF DIVINE SERVICE
+ *In Nomine Jesu* +

THE TOLLING OF THE BELL

Stand

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

P. Let us pray. Almighty God, graciously behold this Your family for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed and delivered into the hands of sinful men to suffer death upon the cross; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C. Amen.

Sit

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 52:13-53:12

P. This is the Word of the Lord.

C. Thanks be to God.

THE COLLECT

P. Let us pray. Merciful and everlasting God, You did not spare Your only son but delivered Him up for us all to bear our sins on the cross. Grant that our hearts may be so fixed with steadfast faith in Him that we fear not the power of sin, death, and the devil; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C. Amen.

THE EPISTLE LESSON

Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9

P. This is the Word of the Lord.

C. Thanks be to God.

THE COLLECT

P. Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, You willed that Your Son should bear for us the pains of the cross and so remove from us the power of the adversary. Help us so to remember and give thanks for our Lord's passion that we may receive forgiveness of sin and redemption from everlasting death; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C. Amen.

THE PASSION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

THE HYMN

“Jesus, I Will Ponder Now”

440, vs.1

P: The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. John.

Reading: John 18:1-11.

Hymn: “O Sacred Head, Now Wounded” (Hymn 450, vs.1)

Reading: John 18:12-27

Hymn: “O Sacred Head, Now Wounded” (Hymn 450, vs.2)

Reading: John 18:28-40

Hymn: “O Sacred Head, Now Wounded” (Hymn 450, vs.3)

Reading: John 19:1-16a

Hymn: “O Sacred Head, Now Wounded” (Hymn 450, vs.4)

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Reading: John 19:16b-24

Hymn: “O Sacred Head, Now Wounded” (Hymn 450, vs.5)

Reading: John 19:25-30

Hymn: “O Sacred Head, Now Wounded” (Hymn 450, vs.6)

Reading: John 19:31-42

Hymn: “O Sacred Head, Now Wounded” (Hymn 450, vs.7)

Sit

THE SERMON

John 18:1 – 19:42

“Holiness Wounded” – Pastor Ogrodowicz

THE HYMN OF THE DAY

“A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth”

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THE BIDDING PRAYER

P. Let us pray for the whole Christian Church, that our Lord God would defend her against all the assaults and temptations of the adversary and keep her perpetually on the true foundation, Jesus Christ: Almighty and everlasting God, since You have revealed Your glory to all nations in Jesus Christ and in the Word of His truth, keep, we ask You, in safety the works of Your mercy so that Your Church, spread throughout all the nations, may be defended against the adversary and may serv You in true faith and persevere in the confession of Your name; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C. Amen.

P. Let us pray for all the ministers of the Word, for all vocations in the Church, and for all the people of God: Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified, receive the supplications and prayers which we offer before You for all Your servants in Your holy Church that every member of the same may truly serve You according to Your calling; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C. Amen.

P. Let us pray for our catechumens, that our Lord God would open their hearts and the door of His mercy that, having received the remission of all their sins by the washing of regeneration, they may be mindful of their Baptism and evermore be found in Christ Jesus our Lord: Almighty God and Father, because You always grant growth to Your Church, increase the faith and understanding of our catechumens that, rejoicing in their new birth by the water of Holy Baptism, they may ever continue in the family of those whom You adopt as Your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C. Amen.

P. Let us pray our Lord God Almighty that He would deliver the world from all error, take away disease, ward off famine, set free those in bondage, and grant health to the sick and a safe journey to all who travel: Almighty and everlasting God, the consolation of the sorrowful and the strength of the weak, may the prayers of those who in any tribulation or distress cry to You graciously come before You, so that in all their necessities they may rejoice in Your manifold help and comfort; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C. Amen.

P. Let us pray for all who are outside the Church, that our Lord God would be pleased to deliver them from their error, call them to faith in the true and living God and His only Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and gather them into His family, the Church: Almighty and everlasting God, because You seek not the death but the life of all, hear our prayers for all who have no right knowledge of You, free them from their error, and for the glory of Your name bring them into the fellowship of Your hold Church; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C. Amen.

P. Let us pray for the fruits of the earth, that God would send down His blessing upon them and graciously dispose our hearts to enjoy them according to His own good will: O Lord, Father Almighty, by Your Word You created and You continue to bless and uphold all things. We pray You so to reveal to us Your Word, our Lord Jesus Christ that, through His dwelling in our hearts, we may by Your grace be made ready to receive Your blessing on all the fruits of the earth and whatsoever pertains to our bodily need; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C. Amen.

The Reproaches of the Cross (*Improperia Crucis*)

(The Liturgy of the Reproaches of the Cross was first developed for Christian pilgrims visiting Jerusalem, and historians tell of its regular usage as early as the 3rd Century. The core of the liturgy is a heartbreaking dialog between Christ and His people, which places divine faithfulness in stark contrast to human faithlessness. The substance of the liturgy is drawn from Old Testament texts like Micah 6:3, Psalm 69:21, and Isaiah 5:2-4.)

P. Behold the Tree of the Cross upon which hung the Savior of the World.

C. **Come, let us adore.**

P. My people, what have I done to you? Or in what have I grieved you? Answer Me! Because I brought you out of the land of Egypt, you have prepared a cross for your Savior?

C. **O holy God, O strong holy One, O holy immortal One, have mercy upon us.**

P. Because I led you through the desert for forty years, and fed you with manna, and brought you into a land exceedingly good, you have prepared a cross for your Savior?

C. **O holy God, O strong holy One, O holy immortal One, have mercy upon us.**

P. What ought I do for you that I have not done? I planted you indeed, My most beautiful vineyard; you have become exceedingly bitter to Me; for in My thirst, you gave Me vinegar to drink, and with a spear, you have pierced the side of your Savior.

C. **O holy God, O strong holy One, O holy immortal One, have mercy upon us.**

P. For your sake, I scourged Egypt with its firstborn, and you have scourged Me and delivered Me up. My people, what have I done to you? Or in what have I grieved you? Answer Me! I brought you out of Egypt having drowned Pharaoh in the Red Sea, and you have delivered Me to the chief priests.

C. **O holy God, O strong holy One, O holy immortal One, have mercy upon us.**

P. I opened the sea before you and you have opened My side with a spear. I went before you in a pillar of cloud, and you have brought Me to the Judgement Hall of Pilate. I fed you with manna in the desert, and you have beaten Me with rods and scourges.

C. **O holy God, O strong holy One, O holy immortal One, have mercy upon us.**

P. I gave you the Water of Salvation from the rock to drink and you have given Me gall and vinegar. For you, I struck down the kings of the Canaanites, and you have struck My head with a reed.

C. **O holy God, O strong holy One, O holy immortal One, have mercy upon us.**

- P.** I gave you a royal scepter, and you have placed a crown of thorns upon My head. I have exalted you with great power, and you have hanged Me upon the tree of the cross. My people, what have I done to you? Or in what have I grieved you? Answer me!
- C.** **We adore Your holy cross, O Lord. We praise and glorify Your holy resurrection! For behold, by the tree of the cross, joy has come into the world again. May God have mercy on us and bless us. May He cause the light of His countenance to shine upon us and have mercy on us. We adore Your cross, O Lord. We praise and glorify Your holy resurrection. For behold, by the tree of the cross joy has come into the world again.**

THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

P. The Lord be with You.

C. **And also with you.**

P. Lift up your hearts.

C. **We lift them to the Lord.**

P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C. **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

THE PROPER PREFACE "...Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:"

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

P. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C. **Amen.**

THE DISTRIBUTION

THE CONCLUDING COLLECT

P. Let us pray. We implore You, O Lord, that Your abundant blessing may be upon Your people who have held the passion and death of Your Son in devout remembrance, that we may receive Your pardon and the gift of Your comfort, and may increase in faith and take hold of eternal salvation; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever,

C. **Amen.**

THE CLOSING HYMN

"The Royal Banners Forward Go"

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**THE CONGREGATION SHALL EXIT THE CHURCH IN RESPECTFUL SILENCE.
ALL VISITING SHALL BE DONE OUTSIDE AFTER THE CHURCH IS EMPTIED.
WE PONDER THE GREAT SACRIFICE OF OUR LORD AND AWAIT ANXIOUSLY
THE CELEBRATION OF THE JOY OF THE RESURRECTION!**

