

HOLLYWOOD LUTHERAN CHURCH

Good Friday
Friday, April 2, 2021



INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

Life and death stand side by side as we enter into Good Friday. In John's passion account, Jesus reveals the power and glory of God, even as he is put on trial and sentenced to death. Standing with the disciples at the foot of the cross, we pray for the whole world in the ancient bidding prayer, as Christ's death offers life to all. We gather in solemn devotion, but always with the promise that the tree around which we assemble is indeed a tree of life. We depart silently, and we anticipate the culmination of the Three Days in the Easter Vigil.

Bulletin Key

- **Congregation**
- **Assisting Minister**
- **Lector**

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

PRELUDE

TIMOTHY LEÓN, ORGAN

“Via Dolorosa”

By Dino Kartonakis

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

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, one God, forever and ever.

Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING: *Isaiah 52:13--53:12*

A reading from Isaiah.

See, my servant shall prosper;
he shall be exalted and lifted up,
and shall be very high.

Just as there were many who were astonished at him
—so marred was his appearance, beyond human semblance,
and his form beyond that of mortals—

so 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.

Who has believed what we have heard?
And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?

For 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.

He 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.

Surely he has borne our infirmities
and carried our diseases;
yet we accounted him stricken,
struck down by God, and afflicted.
But 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.
All 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.

He 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.
By 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.
They 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.

Yet 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.
Out 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.
Therefore 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.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: *Psalm 71:1-16*

In you, Lord, I have taken refuge;
let me never be put to shame.

**In your righteousness, rescue me and deliver me;
turn your ear to me and save me.**

Be my rock of refuge, to which I can always go;
give the command to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress.

**Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked,
from the grasp of those who are evil and cruel.**

For you have been my hope, Sovereign Lord,
my confidence since my youth.

**From birth I have relied on you; you brought me forth from my mother's womb.
I will ever praise you**

I have become a sign to many;
you are my strong refuge.

**My mouth is filled with your praise,
declaring your splendor all day long.**

Do not cast me away when I am old;
do not forsake me when my strength is gone.

**For my enemies speak against me;
those who wait to kill me conspire together.**

They say, "God has forsaken him; pursue him and seize him,
for no one will rescue him."

**Do not be far from me, my God;
come quickly, God, to help me.**

May my accusers perish in shame:
may those who want to harm me be covered with scorn and disgrace.

**As for me, I will always have hope;
I will praise you more and more.**

My mouth will tell of your righteous deeds, of your saving acts all day long—
though I know not how to relate them all.

**I will come and proclaim your mighty acts, Sovereign Lord;
I will proclaim your righteous deeds, yours alone.**

INTRODUCTION TO THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS

My Song Is Love Unknown

1. My song is love un - known, My Sav - ior's love to
me, Love to the love - less shown That they might
love - ly be. Oh, who am I, That for my sake
My Lord should take Frail flesh and die?

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

In the name of the ✝ Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen

Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it." (Matthew 16:24-25)

Let us pray.

Almighty God, your Son our Savior suffered at the hands of sinful humanity and endured the shame of the cross. Grant that in true devotion we may follow him in the way of the cross and live a life worthy of his love; we ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

I

JESUS IS CONDEMNED TO DEATH



**We praise You, O Christ.
By your holy Cross we are redeemed.**

Pilate said to the Jews, "Here is your king!" The crowd yelled "Away with him! Crucify him! Crucify him!" Pilate asked, "What? Crucify your king?" The chief priests shouted back, "We have no king but Caesar." Then Pilate gave Jesus to them to be crucified." (John 19:14-16)

Let us pray.

Lord Jesus, how often have I too washed my hands of you? Grant me the courage to follow you even when I fear for myself.

II

JESUS CARRIES HIS CROSS

**We praise You, O Christ.
By your holy Cross we are redeemed.**

Then the Roman soldiers took him, beat him, and spit on him. When they tired of their sport, they put his clothes on him again, and led him away to be crucified.
(Matthew 27:30-31)



Let us pray.

Lord Jesus, when I think I can tolerate no more, fill me with the love you bore for me when you endured the rejection and humiliation of the cross.

III

JESUS FALLS THE FIRST TIME



**We praise You, O Christ.
By your holy Cross we are redeemed.**

...God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength... (1 Corinthians 10:12)

Let us pray.

Lord Jesus, when I fall to the temptations of my own flesh, raise me up again, knowing that my struggle, like yours, is one step at a time.

IV JESUS MEETS HIS AFFLICTED MOTHER

**We praise You, O Christ.
By your holy Cross we are redeemed.**

Let us pray.
**Lord Jesus, with Mother Mary give me the
grace to use my pain to share my life with
those who need your love.**



V SIMON OF CYRENE HELPS JESUS TO CARRY HIS CROSS



**We praise You, O Christ.
By your holy Cross we are redeemed.**

They compelled a passer-by who was coming in from
the country to carry his cross. It was Simon of
Cyrene. (Mark 15:21)

Let us pray.
**Lord Jesus, grant me your strength to help others
when the load has become too heavy to bear.**

VI A WOMAN WIPES THE FACE OF JESUS

**We praise You, O Christ.
By your holy Cross we are redeemed.**

Whatever you did for the least of these, you
did for me. (Matthew 25:40)

Let us pray.
**Lord Jesus, grant me the compassion to
extend your love to all who suffer.**



VII JESUS FALLS THE SECOND TIME



**We praise You, O Christ.
By your holy Cross we are redeemed.**

Let us pray.
**Lord Jesus, give me the faith to believe that
nothing can happen to me that you cannot
redeem.**

VIII JESUS MEETS THE WOMEN OF JERUSALEM

**We praise You, O Christ.
By your holy Cross we are redeemed.**

A large number of people followed him, including women who mourned and wailed for him. Jesus turned to them and said, “Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me; weep for yourselves and your children.” (Luke 23:27-28)



Let us pray.

**Lord Jesus, Sometimes I don't know what to say when somebody I know dies.
Give me the faith to face the death of others with compassion, and to face my
own death with hope.**

IX JESUS FALLS THE THIRD TIME



**We praise You, O Christ.
By your holy Cross we are redeemed.**

I fall prostrate in the dust; give me life according to your word. My soul weeps for sorrow; strengthen me with your words. (Psalm 119:25)

Let us pray.
**Lord Jesus, you embrace my human
weakness and share my pain. Help me share
your mercy and love with everyone who falls.**

X

JESUS IS STRIPPED OF HIS CLOTHES



**We praise You, O Christ.
By your holy Cross we are redeemed.**

Let us pray.

Lord Jesus, you humbled yourself and became human, sharing our suffering, our losses and humiliations, leading the way to transcendent glory.

XI

JESUS IS NAILED TO THE CROSS

**We praise You, O Christ.
By your holy Cross we are redeemed.**

He went out to what is called The Place of the Skull, which in Hebrew is called Golgatha. There they crucified him.
(John 19:17-18)



XII

JESUS DIES ON THE CROSS



**We praise You, O Christ.
By your holy Cross we are redeemed.**

It was about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. Then, Jesus cried out with a loud voice, "Father! Into your hands I commend my spirit!" Having said this, he breathed his last and died. (Luke 23:44-46)

Let us take a moment of silent contemplation
Amen

XIII

THE BODY OF JESUS IS TAKEN DOWN FROM THE CROSS



**We praise You, O Christ.
By your holy Cross we are redeemed.**

After these things Joseph of Arimathea, who was a disciple of Jesus, though a secret one because of his fear of the Jews, asked Pilate to let him take away the body of Jesus. Pilate gave him permission; so he came and removed his body.” (John 19:38)

Let us pray.

**Lord Jesus, You suffered torture and death for me that I might not be afraid to live
- or to die. I love you Lord Jesus.**

XIV

JESUS IS LAID IN THE TOMB



**We praise You, O Christ.
By your holy Cross we are redeemed.**

Let us pray.

**Lord Jesus, let me find hope in your dying my death, that from this moment on I
might live your life.**

My Song Is Love Unknown

6. Here might I stay and sing No sto - ry so di -
vine! Nev - er was love, dear King, Nev - er was
grief like thine. This is my friend, In whose sweet praise
I all my days Could glad - ly spend!

LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done,

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those

who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,

and the glory are yours,

now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

DISMISSAL

Litany for Christ's Work

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God, we know that in our darkest hour, when we feel like you have forsaken us

You are with us.

There, in the darkness and pain,

You are with us.

In the grief and disappointment,

You are with us.

We know that the pain is never unending,

Although it consumes us in the moment.

We know that the end of the story is never death

Although we often feel it is.

We know that the darkness of a tomb is never our ultimate home,

Although when we're there we feel we will never leave.

We know that the Savior, God Incarnate, went willingly to pain, death, and tomb,

To show us the end of suffering.

Christ allowed the powers of this world to do their dirty work on him,

So he could teach us about redemption.

And it is on this work, Christ's work, that we meditate,

To learn something precious.

Let us go in silence.

Amen.

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CELEBRATING OUR

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Images of the Stations of the Cross at Paserbiec, Poland

Please offer your prayers throughout the week for the following individuals:

For healing:

Billy Arbuckle, Zachery Bell, Colette Boudreaux, Javier Cruz, Joan DeBrincat, Jackie Edmonds, Jim Feederle, Sandra Ferrer, Jeanne Fouke, Angela Gabriel, Paulette Hunnewell, Brenda Jacob, Carol Johnson, Steve Joiner, Brett Lane, June McGough, Susan Murphy, Barb Musgjerd, Kat Nelson, Lee Nelson, Ken Neundorf, Ursula Rheinfurth, Georgina Rockwell, Lisa Sakugawa, Bob Shumate, Marie Sorenson, Cynthia Nitriani Stary, Carol Strand, Dicksie Thompson, Don Volger, Gail Watson, Janet Weber, Jason Zarookian

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Jully Bender, Mo Costa, Mary Hohmann, Martha Murphy, Cecelia Ortega, David Pugh, Edward Tursa, Adam Zarookian

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For hopefulness and strength:

Adnan Aswad, the Barcus-Schafer family, Steve Blass, Lily Friedkin, Priscilla Hardcastle, Billie Hayes, Maurine Higgins, Jason Kane, Era Kayln, Carol Lande, Raynard Lang, the Makaiwi family, Steve Martinez, Sharon Noble, Shaun Noble, Michael Osborne, Juan Antonio Rivera, Patricia Robb, Harlowe Skinner, Donna Volger, Adam Zarookian

For all people in the military who are deployed or serving our country.

Virtual Memorial Candles

are lit in memory of:



Lila Dee Barcus, James Blass, La Verne Mary Briscoe, Modesta Canales, Thomas Daniel, Elaine Donahue, Barbara Ruthroff Gates, Ray Huff, Joan Lawton, Franklin Makaiwi, Brendan McKane, Julia Prado, Juanita Riedell, Bayron Salguero, Sonia Martinez Zarookian

The **Rainbow Candelabra** on the altar serves as a reminder of this community's inclusive welcome to all of God's people and our intentional welcome to the LGBTQ community.

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Then sings my soul...



...My God,

How Great Thou Art!

Holy Week Schedule

AT
HOLLYWOOD LUTHERAN
CHURCH

**PASSION SUNDAY MARCH 28, 2021
AT 1:00 PM**

**GOOD FRIDAY APRIL 2, 2021
AT 2:00 PM**

**EASTER SUNDAY APRIL 4, 2021
AT 10:00 AM**

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