CHURCH OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN

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Good Friday

Please stand—all who are able—when the ministers enter the church.

All kneel for a time of silent prayer.

COLLECT OF THE DAY Remain kneeling.

Minister: Blessed be our God. People: For ever and ever. Amen.

Minister: 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 lives and reigns for ever and ever. *Amen*.

FIRST LESSON Seated.

A reading from the Book of Isaiah (52:13–53:12).

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.

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

PSALM 22:1–21 Spoken by all.

- 1 My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? * and are so far from my cry and from the words of my distress?
- 2 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.
- 10 I have been entrusted to you ever since I was born; * you were my God when I was still in my mother's womb.

11	Be not far from me, for trouble is near, *
	and there is none to help.

- 12 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.
- 14 I am poured out like water; all my bones are out of joint; * my heart within my breast is melting wax.
- 15 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.
- 16 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.
- 17 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.
- Save me from the sword, *my life from the power of the dog.
- 20 Save me from the lion's mouth, * my wretched body from the horns of wild bulls.
- 21 I will declare your Name to my brethren; * in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.

SECOND LESSON

A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews (10:16–25).

The Holy Spirit testifies saying, "This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord: I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds," he also adds, "I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more." Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin. Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

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

GOSPEL

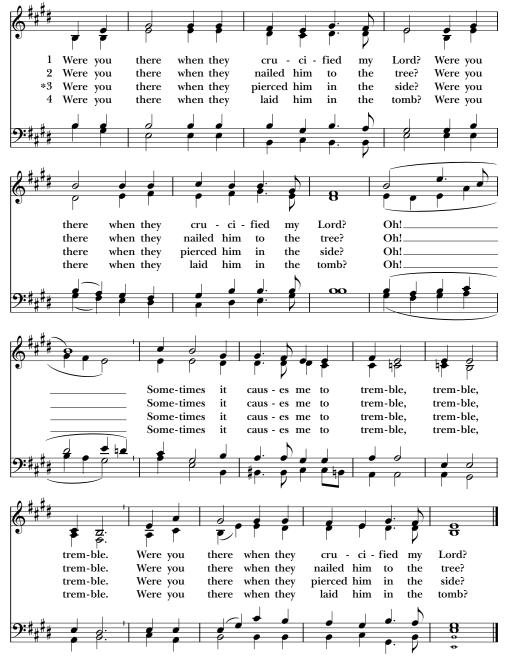
The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to John (John 18–19)

The text of the Passion Gospel is in the special insert. The congregation may be seated for the first part of the Passion. The customary responses before and after the Gospel are omitted. After the service, please leave the Passion Gospel inserts on your pew or at the door.

SERMON

HYMN "Were you there when they crucified my Lord?"

Standing, all who are able; everyone sings.



⁻Words and Music: African American spiritual.

THE SOLEMN COLLECTS Remain standing.

Minister: 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.

All kneel.

Minister: 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 Brian, our Bishop, and all the people of this diocese For all Christians in this community

That God will confirm his Church in faith, increase it in love, and preserve it in peace.

Silence.

Minister: 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.*

Minister: 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.

Minister: 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*.

Minister: 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.

Minister: 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.*

Minister: 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.

Minister: 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*.

Minister: Let us commit ourselves to 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.

Minister: 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*.

VENERATION OF THE CROSS Remain kneeling.

A wooden cross is carried through the midst of the people.

Minister: Behold the wood of the cross on which was hung the world's salvation. People: Come, let us adore him.

Silence is kept for a space; remain kneeling as you are able.



HYMN "When I survey the wondrous cross" Standing, all who are able; everyone sings.

—Words: Isaac Watts (1674–1748) Music: Rockingham, melody from Second Supplement to Psalmody in Miniature, 1780

IMPROPERIA (The Reproaches) Kneeling.

Minister: People:	Is it nothing to you, all you who pass by? Look and see if there is any sorrow like my sorrow, which was brought upon me, which the Lord inflicted on the day of his fierce anger. Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, have mercy upon us.
Minister:	O my people, O my Church, What have I done to you, or in what have I offended you? Testify against me. I led you forth from the land of Egypt and delivered you by the waters of Baptism; but you have prepared a cross for your Savior.
People:	Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, have mercy upon us.
Minister:	I led you through the desert forty years and fed you with manna; I brought you through tribulation and penitence, 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 Immortal One, have mercy upon us.
Minister:	What more could I have done for you that I have not done? I planted you, my chosen and fairest vineyard; I made you the branches of my vine; but when I was thirsty, you gave me vinegar to drink
People:	and pierced with a spear the side of your Savior. Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, have mercy upon us.

Minister: People:	I went before you in a pillar of cloud, and you have led me to the judgment hall of Pilate. I scourged your enemies and brought you to a land of freedom; but you have scourged, mocked, and beaten me. I gave you the water of salvation from the rock, but you have given me gall and left me to thirst. Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, have mercy upon us.
Minister: People:	I gave you a royal scepter and bestowed the keys to the kingdom, but you have given me a crown of thorns. I raised you on high with great power, but you have hanged me on the cross. Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, have mercy upon us.
Minister: People:	My peace I gave, which the world cannot give, and washed your feet as a sign of my love; but you draw the sword to strike in my name and seek high places in my kingdom. I offer you my body and blood, but you scatter, and deny and abandon me. Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, have mercy upon us.
Minister:	I sent the Spirit of truth to guide you, and you close your hearts to the Counselor. I pray that all may be as one in the Father and me, but you continue to quarrel and divide. I call you to go and bring forth fruit, but you cast lots for my clothing.
People:	Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, have mercy upon us.

Minister:	I grafted you a tree of my chosen Israel, and you turned on them with persecution and mass murder. I made you joint heirs with them of my covenants,
People:	but you made them scapegoats for your own guilt. Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, have mercy upon us.
Minister:	I came to you as the least of your brothers and sisters; I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, I was 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.
People:	Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, have mercy upon us.

HYMN "O sacred head, sore wounded" Standing, all who are able; everyone sings.



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Hymn, "O sacred head, sore wounded," continued



 —Words: Paul Gerhardt (1607–1676); tr. Robert Seymour Bridges (1844–1930)
 Music: Herlizch tut mich verlangen (Passion Chorale), Hans Leo Hassler (1564–1612); adapt. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

THE LORD'S PRAYER Kneeling.

Minister: Let us pray.

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.

CONCLUDING COLLECT Remain kneeling.

Minister: 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 the Holy Spirit you live and reign, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

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