

# 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.

*Silence may be kept.*

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.

*(continued)*

- 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.
- 18 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.
- 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 (4:14–16; 5:7–9).

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him.

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.*

1 Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? Were you  
 2 Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? Were you  
 \*3 Were you there when they pierced him in the side? Were you  
 4 Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? Were you

there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? Oh!  
 there when they nailed him to the tree? Oh!  
 there when they pierced him in the side? Oh!  
 there when they laid him in the tomb? Oh!

Some-times it caus - es me to trem-ble, trem-ble,  
 Some-times it caus - es me to trem-ble, trem-ble,  
 Some-times it caus - es me to trem-ble, trem-ble,  
 Some-times it caus - es me to trem-ble, trem-ble,

trem-ble. Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?  
 trem-ble. Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?  
 trem-ble. Were you there when they pierced him in the side?  
 trem-ble. Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

—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 Donald, 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.*

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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.*

1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross where the young  
 2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the  
 3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet sor - row and  
 4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were an

Prince of Glo - ry died, my rich - est gain I  
 cross of Christ, my God: all the vain things that  
 love flow min - gled down! Did e'er such love and  
 of - fering far too small; love so a - maz - ing,

count but loss, and pour con - tempt on all my pride.  
 charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to his blood.  
 sor - row meet, or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?  
 so di - vine, de - mands my soul, my life, my all.

—Words: Isaac Watts (1674–1748)

Music: *Rockingham*, melody from *Second Supplement to Psalmody in Miniature*, 1780

**IMPROPERIA (The Reproaches)** *Kneeling as able.*

Minister: 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.

People: 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  
and pierced with a spear the side of your Savior.

People: Holy God, Holy and Mighty,  
Holy Immortal One, have mercy upon us.

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Minister: 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.

People: Holy God, Holy and Mighty,  
Holy Immortal One, have mercy upon us.

Minister: 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.

People: Holy God, Holy and Mighty,  
Holy Immortal One, have mercy upon us.

Minister: 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.

People: 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.

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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,  
but you made them scapegoats for your own guilt.

People: 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.*



1 O sa - cred head, sore wound - ed, de - filed and put to scorn;  
3 In thy most bit - ter pas - sion my heart to share doth cry,



O king - ly head sur - round - ed with mock - ing crown of thorn:  
with thee for my sal - va - tion up - on the cross to die.



What sor - row mars thy gran - deur? Can death thy bloom de - flower?  
Ah, keep my heart thus mov - ed to stand thy cross be - neath,



O coun - te - nance whose splen - dor the hosts of heaven a - dore!  
to mourn thee, well - be - lov - ed, yet thank thee for thy death.

—Words: Paul Gerhardt (1607–1676); tr. Robert Seymour Bridges (1844–1930)

Music: *Herzlich tut mich verlangen* (*Passion Chorale*), Hans Leo Hassler (1564–1612);  
adapt. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

THE LORD'S PRAYER *Kneeling, as able.*

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.*

*All are invited to spend time contemplating the mystery and paradox of the cross, an instrument of torture and death, yet also a symbol of Christ's sacred journey through death to resurrection.*

*As part of your contemplation, you are welcome to come forward to engage the cross in any manner you wish—some may choose to bow or kneel before the cross, or to touch its wood.*

*You are also welcome to remain in your pew in quiet reflection. Depart when you wish.*

*Please leave the Passion Gospel inserts in your pew  
or at the door as you depart.*

## MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY

### *Presiders*

The Reverend Cal Calhoun, The Reverend Mark Colbert

### *Lectors*

Margaret Slattery, Alice Towery

### *Passion Gospelers*

Kenny Faught, Kathy Gray, Beverly Guiler, Bruce LaFetra, Margaret Slattery

### *Preacher*

Zane Scarlett

### *Musicians*

Good Samaritan Adult Choir

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## EASTER SERVICES

Sunday, April 2 at 8:15 AM – Holy Eucharist Rite I with Easter Hymns

Sunday, April 2 at 10:30 AM – Festive Holy Eucharist Rite II

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