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Good Friday

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PREPARATION_____

Opening Anthem: Cross of Jesus

Stainer

Cross of Christ, Cross of Sorrow
Where the blood of Christ was shed,
Perfect man on thee was tortured,
Perfect God on thee has bled.

Here the King of all the ages,
Throned in light ere world could be
Robed in mortal flesh is dying,
Crucified by sin for me.

Evermore for human failure
By His Passion we can plead;
God has borne all mortal anguish,
Surely He will know our need.

Dialog

Behold the Lamb of God,
who takes away the sins of the world.

Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows;
he was wounded for our transgressions and bruised for our iniquities.

O Savior of the world,
by your holy cross and precious blood you have redeemed us;
show us your mercy and grant us your salvation.

Opening Prayer

Let us pray.
Gracious Jesus, our Lord and our God,
at this hour you bore our sins in your own body on the tree
so that we, being dead to sin, might live unto righteousness.
Have mercy upon us now and at the hour of our death,
and grant to us, your servants,
with all others who devoutly remember your blessed Passion,
a holy and peaceful life in this world and,
through your grace, eternal glory in the life to come;
where, with the Father and the Holy Spirit,
you live and reign, God forever. **Amen**

FIRST WORD _____ “Father, forgive them”

WORD FROM THE CROSS

Saint Luke 23:34

Meditation

Penitential Psalm

from Psalm 130

Spoken together

**Out of the depths have I called to you, O LORD;
consider well the voice of my supplication.
If you were to note what is done amiss,
O LORD, who could stand?
For there is forgiveness with you;
therefore you shall be feared.
I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him
in his word is my hope.**

**My soul waits for the Lord,
more than watchmen for the morning.
O Israel, wait for the LORD, for with the LORD
there is mercy and plenteous redemption,
and the LORD shall redeem Israel from all their sins.**

Hymn

Lamb of God

1 Your on - ly Son, no sin to hide, but you have
2 Your gift of love we cru - ci - fied. We laughed and
3 I was so lost, I should have died, but you have

sent him from your side to walk up - on this guilt - y
scorned him as he died. The hum - ble king we named a
brought me to your side to be led by your staff and

Refrain
sod and to be - come the Lamb of God.
fraud and sac - ri - ficed the Lamb of God. O Lamb of
rod and to be called a lamb of God.

God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the ho - ly Lamb of God. Oh, wash me

in your pre - cious blood, my Je - sus Christ, the Lamb of God.



SECOND WORD_____ “Today you will be with me in paradise”

WORD FROM THE CROSS

Saint Luke 23:43

Meditation

Penitential Psalm

from Psalm 102

Spoken together

LORD, hear my prayer, and let my cry come before you;

hide not your face from me in the day of my trouble.

Incline your ear to me;

when I call, make haste to answer me,

My days pass away like a shadow,

and I wither like the grass.

But you, O LORD, endure forever,

and your name from age to age.



Hymn

Christ, the Life of All the Living

1 Christ, the life of all the liv - ing, Christ, the death of death, our foe,
2 You have suf - fered great af - flic - tion and have borne it pa - tient - ly,
3 Then, for all that bought my par - don, for the sor - rows deep and sore,

Christ, your - self for me once giv - ing to the dark - est depths of woe:
e - ven death by cru - ci - fix - ion, ful - ly to a - tone for me;
for the an - guish in the gar - den, I will thank you ev - er - more;

through your suf - f'ring, death, and mer - it life e - ter - nal I in - her - it.
for you chose to be tor - ment - ed that my doom should be pre - vent - ed.
thank you for the groan - ing, sigh - ing, for the bleed - ing and the dy - ing,

Thou - sand, thou - sand thanks are due, dear - est Je - sus, un - to you.
Thou - sand, thou - sand thanks are due, dear - est Je - sus, un - to you.
for that last tri - um - phant cry, praise you ev - er - more on high.

THIRD WORD _____ “Son, behold your mother”

WORD FROM THE CROSS Saint John 19:27

Meditation

Penitential Psalm *from* Psalm 32

Spoken together

**Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven,
and whose sin is put away!
Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes no guilt,
and in whose spirit there is no guile!
You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble;
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.
Great are the tribulations of the wicked;
but mercy embraces those who trust in the LORD.**

Anthem: Stabat Mater

At the cross her station keeping,
Stood the mournful Mother weeping,
Close to Jesus to the last.

Christ above in torment hangs;
She beneath beholds the pangs
Of her dying, glorious Son.

Make me feel as you have felt.
Make my soul to glow and melt
With the love of Christ my Lord.

FOURTH WORD _____ “My God, why have you forsaken me?”

WORD FROM THE CROSS Saint Matthew 27:46

Meditation

Penitential Psalm *from* Psalm 38

Spoken together

**O LORD, do not rebuke me in your anger;
do not punish me in your wrath.
For in you, O LORD, have I fixed my hope;
you will answer me, O Lord my God.**

**O LORD, do not forsake me;
be not far from me, O my God.
Make haste to help me,
O Lord of my salvation.**

Musical Reflection: Vierne Lamento in C# Minor (organ)

FIFTH WORD _____ “I thirst”

WORD FROM THE CROSS Saint John 19:28

Meditation

Penitential Psalm *from* Psalm 51

Spoken together

**Have mercy on me, O God, according to your lovingkindness;
in your great compassion blot out my offenses.
For behold, you look for truth deep within me,
and will make me understand wisdom secretly.
Hide your face from my sins,
and blot out all my iniquities.
Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.**



Hymn

Jesus, I Will Ponder Now



1 Je - sus, I will pon - der now on your ho - ly pas - sion;
 2 Make me see your great dis - tress, an - guish, and af - flic - tion,
 3 Yet, O Lord, not thus a - lone make me see your pas - sion,
 4 Let me view your pain and loss with re - pen - tant griev - ing,

let your Spir - it now en - dow me for med - i - ta - tion.
 bonds and blows and wretch - ed - ness and your cru - ci - fix - ion;
 but its cause to me make known and its ter - mi - na - tion.
 nor pre - pare a - gain your cross by un - ho - ly liv - ing.

Grant that I in love and faith may the im - age cher - ish
 make me see how scourge and rod, spear and nails, did wound you,
 For I al - so and my sin wrought your deep af - flic - tion;
 May I give you love for love! Hear me, O my Sav - ior,

of your suf - f'ring, pain, and death, that I may not per - ish.
 how you died for those, O God, who with thorns had crowned you.
 this the shame - ful cause has been of your cru - ci - fix - ion.
 that I may in heav'n a - bove sing your praise for - ev - er.

SIXTH WORD _____ "It is finished"

WORD FROM THE CROSS

Saint John 19:30

Meditation

Penitential Psalm

from Psalm 6*Spoken together***LORD, do not rebuke me in your anger;****do not punish me in your wrath.****Have pity on me, LORD, for I am weak;****heal me, LORD, for my bones are racked.****My spirit shakes with terror;****how long, O LORD, how long?****Turn, O LORD, and deliver me;****save me for your mercy's sake.**

Musical Reflection: Sarabende from D Minor Cello Suite

J.S. Bach

SEVENTH WORD _____ "Into your hands I commend my spirit"

WORD FROM THE CROSS

Saint Luke 23:46

Meditation

Penitential Psalm

from Psalm 143*Spoken together***LORD, hear my prayer,****and in your faithfulness heed my supplications;****answer me in your righteousness.****Teach me to do what pleases you, for you are my God;****let your good Spirit lead me on level ground.****Revive me, O LORD, for your name's sake;****for your righteousness' sake, bring me out of trouble.****Of your goodness, destroy my enemies****and bring all my foes to naught,****for truly I am your servant.**

Music Reflection Anthem: “Were You There”

Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?

Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

Kneel Bidding Prayer

*The presiding minister speaks the bids and the prayers. Silence follows each bid.
Each petition concludes:*

We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

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

**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**

Procession with the Cross

Adoration of the Cross

**Take the cross at your home altar, or look on the cross at Saint Luke
on your screen**

The following versicle and response is spoken three times.

Behold the life-giving cross, on which was hung the Savior of the world.
Oh, come, let us worship.



Hymn

Ah, Holy Jesus



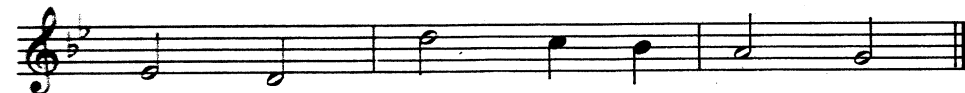
1. Ah, ho - ly Je - sus how have you of -
2. Who was the guilt - y? Who brought this up -
3. Lo, the Good Shep - herd for the sheep is
4. For me, kind Je - sus, was your in - car -
5. There - fore, kind Je - sus, since I can - not



fend - ed, That mor - tal judg - ment has on you de -
 on you? A - las, my trea - son, Je - sus has un -
 of - fered; The slave has sin - ned, and the Son has
 na - tion, Your mor - tal sor - row and your life's ob -
 pay you, I do a - dore you, and will ev - er



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 done you. 'Twas I, Lord Je - sus, I it was de -
 suf - fered: For our a - tone - ment, while we noth - ing
 la - tion, Your death of an - guish and your bit - ter
 pray you, Think on your pi - ty and your love un -



ject - ed, O most af - flict - ed!
 nied you; I cru - ci - fied you.
 heed - ed, God in - ter - ced - ed.
 pas - sion, For my sal - va - tion.
 swerv - ing, Not my de - serv - ing.

Prayer

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

By your holy cross you have redeemed the world.