

“By My Works I Will Show You My Faith”

James 2:18

April 10, 2020



GOOD FRIDAY

**ST. JAMES EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
LCMS**

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HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Saturday: 10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Holy Communion is available

Easter Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Easter Service

(Facebook Live)

11:00 a.m. Bible study on the Resurrection of Jesus

(Facebook Live)

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Good Friday Love from the Passion of Christ

The Hymn of Invocation: LSB 430, "My Song Is Love Unknown"



1 My song is love un - known, My Sav - ior's love to
2 He came from His blest throne Sal - va - tion to be -
3 Some - times they strew His way And His sweet prais - es
4 Why, what hath my Lord done? What makes this rage and



me, Love to the love - less shown That they might love - ly
stow; But men made strange, and none The longed - for Christ would
sing; Re - sound - ing all the day Ho - san - nas to their
spite? He made the lame to run, He gave the blind their



be. Oh, who am I That for my sake
know. But, oh, my friend, My friend in - deed,
King. Then "Cru - ci - fy!" Is all their breath,
sight. Sweet in - ju - ries! Yet they at these



My Lord should take Frail flesh and die?
Who at my need His life did spend!
And for His death They thirst and cry.
Them - selves dis - please And 'gainst Him rise.

5 They rise and needs will have
My dear Lord made away;
A murderer they save,
The Prince of Life they slay.
Yet cheerful He
To suff'ring goes
That He His foes
From thence might free.

- 6 In life no house, no home
My Lord on earth might have;
In death no friendly tomb
But what a stranger gave.
What may I say?
Heav'n was His home
But mine the tomb
Wherein He lay.
- 7 Here might I stay and sing,
No story so divine!
Never was love, dear King,
Never was grief like Thine.
This is my friend,
In whose sweet praise
I all my days
Could gladly spend!

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The Opening Litany on Love

P: I have loved you with an everlasting love;
therefore, I have continued my faithfulness to
you.

**C: This is what love is: it is not that we have
loved God, but that He loved us and sent His
Son to be the means by which our sins are
forgiven.**

P: You shall love the Lord your God with all your
heart, and with all your soul, and with all your
mind.

**C: This is what love is: it is not that we have
loved God, but that He loved us and sent His
Son to be the means by which our sins are
forgiven.**

P: You shall love your neighbor as yourself.

C: This is what love is: it is not that we have loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the means by which our sins are forgiven.

P: Love your enemies; do good to those who hate you; bless those who curse you; pray for those who abuse you.

C: This is what love is: it is not that we have loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the means by which our sins are forgiven.

P: And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and men loved the darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil.

C: This is what love is: it is not that we have loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the means by which our sins are forgiven.

P: But God shows His love for us in that while we were, yet sinners Christ died for us.

C: This is what love is: it is not that we have loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the means by which our sins are forgiven.

P: Greater love has no man than this, that [he] lay down his life for his friends.

C: This is what love is: it is not that we have loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the means by which our sins are forgiven.

ALL: For God so loved the world that He gave His only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him will not perish, but have everlasting life.

(Jer. 31:3b; 1 John 4:10 (TEV); Matt. 22:37, 39b; Luke 6:27b-28; John 3:19; Rom. 5:8; John 15:13; John 3:16)

The Epistle: 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 our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, 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 him who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered. And being made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

A Hymn: LSB 449, "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded"



1 O sa - cred Head, now wound - ed, With grief and shame weighed down,
2 What Thou, my Lord, hast suf - fered Was all for sin - ners' gain;
3 What lan - guage shall I bor - row To thank Thee, dear - est Friend,
4 Be Thou my con - so - la - tion, My shield, when I must die;



Now scorn - ful - ly sur - round - ed With thorns, Thine on - ly crown.
Mine, mine was the trans - gres - sion, But Thine the dead - ly pain.
For this Thy dy - ing sor - row, Thy pit - y with - out end?
Re - mind me of Thy pas - sion When my last hour draws nigh.



O sa - cred Head, what glo - ry, What bliss, till now was Thine!
Lo, here I fall, my Sav - ior! 'Tis I de - serve Thy place;
O make me Thine for - ev - er! And should I faint - ing be,
Mine eyes shall then be - hold Thee, Up - on Thy cross shall dwell,



Yet, though de-spised and gor - y, I joy to call Thee mine.
Look on me with Thy fa - vor, And grant to me Thy grace.
Lord, let me nev - er, nev - er, Out - live my love for Thee.
My heart by faith en - fold Thee. Who di - eth thus dies well.

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The Holy Gospel: John 19:17-30

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the nineteenth chapter.
- C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

[Jesus] went out, bearing his own cross, to the place called the place of a skull, which in Aramaic is called Golgotha. There they crucified him, and with him two others, one on either side, and Jesus between them. Pilate also wrote an inscription and put it on the cross. It read, "Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews." Many of the Jews read this inscription, for the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city, and it was written in Aramaic, in Latin, and in Greek. So the chief priests of the Jews said to Pilate, "Do not write, 'The King of the Jews,' but rather, 'This man said, I am King of the Jews.'" Pilate answered, "What I have written I have written."

When the soldiers had crucified Jesus, they took his garments and divided them into four parts, one part for each soldier; also his tunic. But the tunic was seamless, woven in one piece from top to bottom, so they said to one another, "Let us not tear it, but cast lots for it to see whose it shall be." This was to fulfill the Scripture which says,

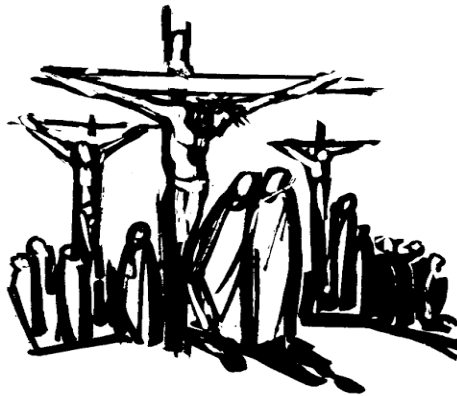
"They divided my garments among them,
and for my clothing they cast lots."

So the soldiers did these things, but standing by the cross of Jesus were his mother and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to his mother, "Woman, behold, your son!" Then he said to the disciple, "Behold, your mother!" And from that hour the disciple took her to his own home.

After this, Jesus, knowing that all was now finished, said (to fulfill the Scripture), "I thirst." A jar full of sour wine stood there, so they put a sponge full of the sour wine on a hyssop branch and held it to his mouth. When Jesus had received the sour wine, he said, "It is finished," and he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**



The Sermon Hymn: LSB 700, "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of
 2 Breathe, O breathe Thy lov - ing Spir - it In - to
 3 Come, Al - might - y, to de - liv - er; Let us
 4 Fin - ish then Thy new cre - a - tion, Pure and

heav'n, to earth come down! Fix in us Thy
 ev - 'ry trou - bled breast; Let us all in
 all Thy life re - ceive; Sud - den - ly re -
 spot - less let us be; Let us see Thy

hum - ble dwell - ing, All Thy faith - ful mer - cies crown.
 Thee in - her - it; Let us find Thy prom - ised rest.
 turn, and nev - er, Nev - er - more Thy tem - ples leave.
 great sal - va - tion Per - fect - ly re - stored in Thee,

Je - sus, Thou art all com - pas - sion, Pure, un -
 Take a - way the love of sin - ning; Al - pha
 Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing, Serve Thee
 Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry, Till in

bound - ed love Thou art; Vis - it us with
 and O - me - ga be; End of faith, as
 as Thy hosts a - bove, Pray and praise Thee
 heav'n we take our place, Till we cast our

Thy sal - va - tion, En - ter ev - 'ry trem - bling heart.
 its be - gin - ning, Set our hearts at lib - er - ty.
 with - out ceas - ing, Glo - ry in Thy per - fect love.
 crowns be - fore Thee, Lost in won - der, love, and praise!

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The Sermon: Mark 15:33-39 "The Fruit of the Spirit is Love"

The Offering

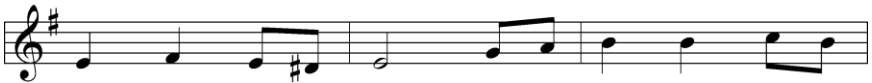
A Hymn: LSB 451, "Stricken, Smitten and Afflicted"



1 Strick-en, smit-ten, and af - flict - ed, See Him dy - ing on the
2 Tell me, ye who hear Him groan-ing, Was there ev - er grief like
3 Ye who think of sin but light - ly Nor sup - pose the e - vil
4 Here we have a firm foun - da - tion, Here the ref - uge of the



tree! 'Tis the Christ, by man re - ject - ed; Yes, my
His? Friends through fear His cause dis - own - ing, Foes in -
great Here may view its na - ture right - ly, Here its
lost: Christ, the Rock of our sal - va - tion, Is the



soul, 'tis He, 'tis He! 'Tis the long - ex - spect - ed
sult - ing His dis - tress; Man - y hands were raised to
guilt may es - ti - mate. Mark the sac - ri - fice ap -
name of which we boast; Lamb of God, for sin - ners



Proph - et, Da - vid's Son, yet Da - vid's Lord; Proofs I
wound Him, None would in - ter - vene to save; But the
point - ed, See who bears the aw - ful load; 'Tis the
wound - ed, Sac - ri - fice to can - cel guilt! None shall



see suf - fi - cient of it: 'Tis the true and faith - ful Word.
deep - est stroke that pierced Him Was the stroke that jus - tice gave.
Word, the Lord's a - noint - ed, Son of Man and Son of God.
ev - er be con - found - ed Who on Him their hope have built.

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The Good Friday Responsive Reading on Love

P: If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels,
but have not love:

C: I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal.

P: And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all
mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all

faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love:

C: I am nothing.

P: IF I give away all I have, and if I deliver my body to be burned, but have not love:

C: I gain nothing.

P: Love is patient and kind; love is not jealous or boastful; it is not arrogant or rude.

C: Love does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful.

P: It does not rejoice at wrong but rejoices in the right.

C: Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

P: Love never ends; as for prophecies, they will pass away; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will pass away.

C: For our knowledge is imperfect and our prophecy is imperfect; but when the perfect comes, the imperfect will pass away.

P: When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became a man, I gave up childish ways.

C: For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face.

P: Now I know in part; then I shall understand fully,

C: Even as I have been fully understood.

P: So faith, hope, love abide, these three;

C: But the greatest of these is love.

P: Beloved, let us love one another; for love is of God.

C: And he who loves is born of God and knows God.

P: He who does not love does not know God;

C: For God is love.

P: In this is love, not that we loved God but that He loved us and sent His Son

C: To save us from our sins.

ALL: For God so loved the world that He gave His only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him will not perish, but have everlasting life.

(1 Cor. 13; 1 John 4:7-10; John 3:16)

A Good Friday Prayer & The Lord's Prayer (All)

A Closing Statement

P: We adore you, O Christ, and we love You.

C: By Your holy cross You have redeemed the world.

Closing Hymn: "The Power of the Cross" (Getty)

Verse 1

Oh to see the dawn of the darkest day
Christ on the road to Calvary
Tried by sinful men torn and beaten then
Nailed to a cross of wood

Chorus 1

***This the pow'r of the cross
Christ became sin for us
Took the blame bore the wrath
We stand forgiven at the cross***

Verse 2

Oh to see the pain written on Your face
Bearing the awesome weight of sin
Ev'ry bitter thought ev'ry evil deed
Crowning Your bloodstained brow

Verse 3

Now the daylight flees now the ground beneath
Quakes as its Maker bows His head
Curtain torn in two dead are raised to life
Finished the vict'ry cry

Verse 4

Oh to see my name written in the wounds
For through Your suff'ring I am free
Death is crushed to death life is mine to live
Won through Your selfless love

Chorus 2

***This the pow'r of the cross
Son of God slain for us
What a love what a cost
We stand forgiven at the cross***

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The Service ends in silence.

***Please join us for worship on Easter Sunday at
9:30 a.m. The service will be on Facebook Live
and will be posted to the St. James' website
following the service.***