



THE LITURGY OF GOOD FRIDAY

APRIL 19, 2019 † 6:30 P.M.

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH † NORTHFIELD, MINNESOTA

Welcome to worship at St. John's!

We especially welcome all who are visiting this Holy Week.

*All are invited to **sign the welcome sheets** in the black folders at the end of the pews.*

*Please pass them to the center and then back
so you can greet those worshipping around you.*

Ushers will gather these following worship.

*In the red pew hymnal (Evangelical Lutheran Worship),
page numbers are at the bottom of the page in the front section,
and hymn numbers are at the top of the page in the hymn section.*

An asterisk () invites you to stand as you are able.*

P Pastor, **L** Leader (Assisting Minister), **C** Congregation

Children's Bibles and activity bags
*are available at both entrances to the Sanctuary
and scribble cards are available in the pews.*

Hearing assistance devices are available outside the Sanctuary or from an usher.

Large print bulletins are available for worship services.



*St. John's Lutheran Church is a community grounded in the promise of God's grace
and called to extend Christ's welcome to all people. Every day, Christ meets us all just as
we are, extending love to people of every age, race or ethnicity, physical appearance,
sexual orientation, gender identity, physical or mental ability, marital or
relationship status, economic circumstance, educational achievement,
political affiliation, or religious background.*

*While we do not always agree, we choose to walk and grow in faith together,
believing that God creates diversity, and loves and welcomes us.*

We warmly welcome you here.

OUR WORSHIP TODAY

At the heart of the Good Friday liturgy is the passion according to John, which proclaims Jesus as a triumphant king who reigns from the cross. The ancient title for this day — the triumph of the cross — reminds us that the church gathers not to mourn this day but to celebrate Christ's life-giving passion and to find strength and hope in the tree of life. In the ancient bidding prayer we offer petitions for all the world for whom Christ died. Today's liturgy culminates in the Easter Vigil tomorrow evening.

GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

The assembly gathers in silence.

*Prayer of the Day

☩ Lord Jesus, you carried our sins in your own body on the tree so that we might have life. May we and all who remember this day find new life in you now and in the world to come, where you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

☩ **Amen.**

Reading — Isaiah 52:13—53:12

Pew Bible, page 596

After the reading:

☩ The word of the Lord.

☩ **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn — No. 351

“O Sacred Head, Now Wounded”

Homily

Pastor Jonathan Davis

The Passion of Our Lord according to John — John 18:1—19:42

with *St. John Passion*, choral responses by John Ferguson

I. John 18:1-11 *Jesus in the garden*

Anthem — “Jesus! Name of Wondrous Love”

LOUEZ DIEU

Jesus! Name of wondrous love, name all other names above, unto which must every knee bow in deep humility. Jesus! Name of priceless worth to the fallen ones on earth for the promise that it gave, “Jesus shall his people save.” Jesus! Name of mercy mild, given to the holy child when the cup of human woe first he tasted below. Jesus! Name of wondrous love, human name of God above; pleading only this we flee, helpless, O our God to thee.

-William Walsham How

II. John 18:12-27 *Jesus denied by Peter*

Anthem — “When We are Tempted to Deny Your Son”

When we are tempted to deny your Son, because we fear the anger of the world, and we are few who bear the insults hurled, your will, O God, be done. When we are tempted to betray your Son, because he leads us in a harder way, and makes demands we do not want to pay, your will, O God, be done. When we forget the cross that held your Son, and would avoid the burden of this life, the cry for justice and an end to strife, your will, O God, your will be done.

-David Romig

III. John 18:28—19:16 *Jesus before Pilate*

***Hymn** — No. 349

“Ah, Holy Jesus”

Stanza 1 — choir

Stanza 2 — bass voices

Stanza 3 — treble voices

Stanza 4 — choir

Stanza 5 — all

IV. John 19:16b-22 *Jesus goes to Calvary*

Anthem — “Drop, Drop, Slow Tears”

Drop, drop, slow tears, and bathe those beautiful feet which brought from heaven the news and Prince of Peace. Cease not, wet eyes, his mercies to entreat; to cry for vengeance, sin does never cease. In your deep floods drown all my faults and fears; nor let his eye see sin, but through my tears.

-Phineas Fletcher

V. John 19:23-25a *Jesus is crucified*

Anthem — “To Mock Your Reign”

To mock your reign, O dearest Lord, they made a crown of thorns; set you with taunts along the road from which no one returns. They could not know, as we do now, how glorious is that crown; that thorns would flow'r upon your brow, your sorrows heal our own. In mock acclaim, O gracious Lord, they snatched a purple cloak, your passion turned, for all they cared, into a soldier's joke. They could not know, as we do now, that though we merit blame, you will your robe of mercy throw around our naked shame. A sceptered reed, O patient Lord, they thrust into your hand, and acted out their grim charade to its appointed end. They could not know, as we do now, though empires rise and fall, your kingdom shall not cease to grow till love embraces all.

-Fred Pratt Green

VI. John 19:25b-30 *Jesus gives up his spirit*

Anthem — “Sing My Tongue”

FORTUNATUS NEW

Sing, my tongue, the glorious battle; sing the ending of the fray. Now above the cross, the trophy, sound the loud triumphant lay; tell how Christ, the world's redeemer, as a victim won the day. Tell how, when at length the fullness of the appointed time was come, he, the Word, was born of woman, left for us his Father's home, blazed the path of true obedience, shone as light amidst the gloom. Thus, with thirty years accomplished, he went forth from Nazareth, destined, dedicated, willing, did his work, and met his death: like a lamb, he humbly yielded, on the cross, his dying breath. O cross, true sign of triumph, be for all the noblest tree; none in foliage, none in blossom, none in fruit your equal be; symbol of the world's redemption, for your burden makes us free. Unto God be praise and glory; to the Father and the Son, to the eternal Spirit honor now and evermore be done. Praise and glory in the highest, while the timeless ages run! -Venantius Fortunatus, tr. John Mason Neale

VII. John 19:31-42 *Jesus is placed in the tomb*

Anthem — “My Song is Love Unknown”

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Jesus! Name of wondrous love, name all other names above. My song is love unknown, my Savior’s love to me, love to the loveless shown, that they might lovely be. Oh, who am I, that for my sake my Lord should take frail flesh and die? Here might I stay and sing, no story so divine! Never was love, dear King, never was grief, was love like thine. This is my friend in whose sweet praise I all my days could gladly spend!

-Samuel Crossman

***Bidding Prayer**

***The Lord’s Prayer**

**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.**

Hymn — No. 803

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

Stanza 1 — all

Stanza 2 — choir

Stanza 3 — all

Stanza 4 — choir

Closing Response

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

☑ By your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

All depart in silence.

SERVING AT ST. JOHN'S TODAY:

Presiding	Pastor Pam Fickenscher
Preaching	Pastor Jonathan Davis
Assisting Minister	Dan Geslin
Organist	John Ferguson
Choir	St. John's Chorale, Nathan Proctor, director
Greeters / Welcome Desk	Phil and Barb Eaves, Kibby Errington
Ushers	Dallas Berg, Barry Becker, Erik Hong, Rob Nutt, Mark Polzin, Bruce Rickert

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Holy Week and Easter Worship

Holy Saturday, April 20

The Great Vigil of Easter

8:00 p.m.

Boe Chapel, St. Olaf College

6:30-7:30 p.m. Community Choir Rehearsal – *Everyone is welcome!*

Celebration of the Resurrection

Easter Sunday, April 21

8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., and 11:00 a.m.

Holy Communion at all Services

Easter Breakfast served from 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

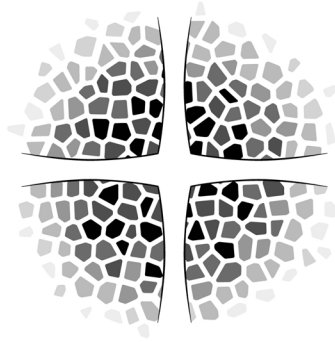
9:30 a.m. service broadcast on KYMN 1080 AM / 95.1 FM

St. John's Annual Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 20, 9:30 a.m.

Kids 5th grade and younger are invited to St. John's Annual Easter Egg Hunt.

Make sure to bring a basket or bag to collect all the eggs!



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