



REDEEMER
TR A V E R S E C I T Y

**And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice,
saying, “Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?”**

that is,

“My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”

—Matthew 27:46

The Lord’s Service

April 19, 2019

Good Friday

Welcome To Redeemer!

We are a church that exists to glorify God by making disciples, living in community, and doing good to all. If you are visiting our church today, we welcome you to our worship service and Christian community.

Good Friday service is a sacred service for the Christian, as we remember Jesus' suffering and death on the cross for our sins. It is intentionally a somber service, as we cannot truly enter into the joy of Easter morning if we do not confront the darkness at Golgotha, and our sin which made it necessary.

Our service tonight is a "Tenebrae" service which means "darkness." This service has a long history in the Christian church, and impresses upon our minds and hearts the awful consequences of sin and the magnitude of our Savior's sacrifice as Jesus experienced the darkness of God's absence while on the cross. One candle will remain burning symbolizing that even in the midst of death and darkness, the forces of hell shall not prevail against the light of Christ, and that he will be raised again on the third day!

*Please join us for worship
on Easter Sunday at 9 or 11 am*

Good Friday
Tenebrae Service

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Pastor Scott Korljan

Opening Hymn “Ah Holy Jesus”

Sung by Lindsay Korljan, Teresa Kott, Jenny Morrison

Ah, Holy Jesus, how have you offended,
that mortal judgment has on you descended?
By foes derided, by your own rejected,
O most afflicted!

Who was the guilty? Who brought this upon you?
It is my treason, Lord, that has undone you.
‘Twas I, Lord Jesus, I it was denied you;
I crucified you.

For me, kind Jesus, was your incarnation,
your mortal sorrow, and your life’s oblation;
your death of anguish, and your bitter passion,
for my salvation.

† = Stand if able

Bold Words = Congregation

Responsive Reading

Psalm 69:1-4; 7-10; 19-21

The experience of darkness and grief of Psalm 69 is alluded to multiple times in the Gospels as finding fullest expression in the life and suffering of Jesus. He was hated without cause (John 15:25), was consumed with zeal for God's house and bore reproach (John 2:17), and was utterly forsaken and given sour wine by his enemies (Matthew 27:48). Praise God for such a Savior!

Reader: Save me, O God, for the waters have come up to my neck.

People: I sink in deep mire, where there is no foothold;

Reader: I have come into deep waters, and the flood sweeps over me.

People: I am weary with my crying out; my throat is parched.

Reader: My eyes grow dim with waiting for my God.

People: More in number than the hairs of my head are those who hate me without cause.

Reader: For it is for your sake that I have borne reproach,
that dishonor has covered my face.

People: I have become a stranger to my brothers, an alien to my mother's sons.

Reader: For zeal for your house has consumed me,
and the reproaches of those who reproach you have fallen on me.

People: When I wept and humbled my soul with fasting, it became my reproach.

Reader: You know my reproach and my shame and my dishonor;
my foes are all known to you.

People: Reproaches have broken my heart, so that I am in despair.

Reader: I looked for pity, but there was none, and for comforters but I found none.

**People: They gave me poison for food,
and for my thirst they gave me sour wine to drink.**

Responsive Reading

Psalm 22 1-8; 16-18

This is the psalm of Lament that Jesus quoted while on the cross. The psalm expresses his experience of forsakenness, rejection, and shame during his suffering and death.

Reader: My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Why are you so far from saving me, from the words of my groaning?

People: **O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer, and by night, but I find no rest.**

Reader: Yet you are holy, enthroned on the praises of Israel.

People: **In you our fathers trusted; they trusted, and you delivered them.**

Reader: To you they cried and were rescued;
in you they trusted and were not put to shame.

People: **But I am a worm and not a man,
scorned by mankind and despised by the people.**

Reader: All who see me mock me; they make mouths at me;
they wag their heads;

People: **“He trusts in the Lord; let him deliver him;
let him rescue him, for he delights in him!”**

Reader: For dogs encompass me; a company of evildoers encircles me;
they have pierced my hands and feet—

People: **I can count all my bones—they stare and gloat over me;**

Reader: they divide my garments among them,
and for my clothing they cast lots.

Hymn "The Look"

Sung by Lindsay Korljan, Teresa Kott, Jenny Morrison

I saw one hanging on a tree in agony and blood,
who fixed His loving eyes on me as near His cross I stood.
And never till my dying breath will I forget that look.
It seemed to charge me with His death, though not a word he spoke.

My conscience felt and owned the guilt, and plunged me in despair.
I saw my sins His blood had spilt, and helped to nail Him there.
But with a second look He said "I freely all forgive.
This blood is for your ransom paid. I died that you might live."

Forever etched upon my mind is the look of Him who died,
the Lamb I crucified.
And now my life will sing the praise of pure atoning grace,
that looked on me and gladly took my place.

Thus while His death my sin displays for all the world to view,
such is the mystery of grace: It seals my pardon, too.
With pleasing grief and mournful joy, my spirit now is filled,
that I should such a life destroy, yet live by Him I killed.

Forever etched upon my mind is the look of Him who died,
the Lamb I crucified.
And now my life will sing the praise of pure atoning grace,
that looked on me and gladly took my place.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 27:32-54

³² As they went out, they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name. They compelled this man to carry his cross. ³³ And when they came to a place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull), ³⁴ they offered him wine to drink, mixed with gall, but when he tasted it, he would not drink it. ³⁵ And when they had crucified him, they divided his garments among them by casting lots. ³⁶ Then they sat down and kept watch over him there.

³⁷ And over his head they put the charge against him, which read, "This is Jesus, the King of the Jews." ³⁸ Then two robbers were crucified with him, one on the right and one on the left. ³⁹ And those who passed by derided him, wagging their heads ⁴⁰ and saying, "You who would destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, save yourself! If you are the Son of God, come down from the cross." ⁴¹ So also the chief priests, with the scribes and elders, mocked him, saying, ⁴² "He saved others; he cannot save himself. He is the King of Israel; let him come down now from the cross, and we will believe in him. ⁴³ He trusts in God; let God deliver him now, if he desires him. For he said, 'I am the Son of God.'" ⁴⁴ And the robbers who were crucified with him also reviled him in the same way.

⁴⁵ Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land until the ninth hour.

⁴⁶ And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?" that is, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" ⁴⁷ And some of the bystanders, hearing it, said, "This man is calling Elijah." ⁴⁸ And one of them at once ran and took a sponge, filled it with sour wine, and put it on a reed and gave it to him to drink. ⁴⁹ But the others said, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him.

⁵⁰ And Jesus cried out again with a loud voice and yielded up his spirit.

⁵¹ And behold, the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. And the earth shook, and the rocks were split. ⁵² The tombs also were opened. And many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised, ⁵³ and coming out of the tombs after his resurrection they went into the holy city and appeared to many.

⁵⁴ When the centurion and those who were with him, keeping watch over Jesus, saw the earthquake and what took place, they were filled with awe and said, "Truly this was the Son of God!"

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

Meditation "The Forsaken and Victorious Son of God!"

Pastor Scott Korljan

Tenebrae (Darkness)

Reading of the Passion History

First Reading: “Jesus Before Pilate” *John 18:28-40*

First Hymn “O Sacred Head, Now Wounded”

**O sacred Head, now wounded, with grief and shame weighed down;
now scornfully surrounded with thorns, thine only crown;
O sacred Head, what glory, what bliss till now was thine!
Yet, though despised and gory, I joy to call thee mine.**

Second Reading: “Jesus Delivered to be Crucified” *John 19:1-6; 12-16*

Second Hymn “O Sacred Head, Now Wounded”

**What thou, my Lord, hast suffered was all for sinners' gain:
mine, mine was the transgression, but thine the deadly pain.
Lo, here I fall, my Savior! 'Tis I deserve thy place;
look on me with thy favor, vouchsafe to me thy grace.**

**What language shall I borrow to thank thee, dearest Friend,
for this, thy dying sorrow, thy pity without end?
O make me thine forever; and should I fainting be,
Lord, let me never, never outlive my love to thee.**

Third Reading: “The Crucifixion” *John 19:17-27*

Third Hymn “Man of Sorrows! What a Name

**Man of Sorrows! what a name for the Son of God, who came
ruined sinners to reclaim: Hallelujah! what a Savior!**

**Bearing shame and scoffing rude, in my place condemned he stood,
sealed my pardon with his blood: Hallelujah! what a Savior!**

**Guilty, vile, and helpless we; spotless Lamb of God was he;
full atonement! can it be? Hallelujah! what a Savior!**

Fourth Reading: “The Death of Jesus” *John 19:28-37*

Fourth Hymn “Man of Sorrows! What a Name

**Lifted up was he to die, “It is finished!” was his cry;
now in heav’n exalted high: Hallelujah! what a Savior!**

**When he comes, our glorious King, all his ransomed home to bring,
then anew this song we’ll sing: Hallelujah! what a Savior!**

Fifth Reading: “Jesus is Buried” *John 19:38-42*

Fifth Hymn “How Deep the Father’s Love for Us”

**How deep the Father’s love for us, how vast beyond all measure;
That He should give His only Son to make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss; the Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the Chosen One bring many sons to glory.**

Sixth Reading: “Guards Secure Jesus’ Tomb” *Matthew 27:62-66*

Sixth Hymn “How Deep the Father’s Love for Us”

**Behold the Man upon a cross, my sin upon His shoulders;
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held Him there until it was accomplished.
His dying breath has brought me life; I know that it is finished.**

**I will not boast in anything: no gifts, no power, no wisdom;
But I will boast in Jesus Christ; His death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer.
But this I know with all my heart: His wounds have paid my ransom.**

Prayer of Committal

Father, though now we watch and wait in darkness at the closed entrance of a tomb, we bring you praise for the death that conquers death and becomes the only path to life.
Forgive us when we forget that death is not the final word;
Forgive us when we fail to trust the resilience of your life;
Forgive us when we lose heart, and stop waiting for resurrection.
Remind us of your sacrifice, your love and your power;
And renew us in faith, we pray. Amen.

Streptus

A book is loudly closed symbolizing the sealing of Jesus' tomb.

*The sanctuary will remain in total darkness
as we silently follow the burning Paschal candle out.*

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