

Good  
Friday  
Tenebrae

## **WELCOME TO HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH!**

God brought you here for a reason today! Trust the Lord, he cares for you. You can greet pastor after the service outside the main doors. **VISITORS & MEMBERS please at least put your name on the connection card and turn it in** with any other info and place in the offering plate in back. You can also do this online on your phone with this QR Code:



### **SURVEY QUESTION:**

No survey question during the Lenten season.

**TAKING COMMUNION:** We celebrate the Lord's Supper at most of our worship services. We believe that when Jesus said this "is" my body...and blood, "is" means "is". We receive the Body and Blood of Christ. He is truly present and gives himself for the forgiveness of our sins. If you have faith in these words of Jesus and have been baptized, you are welcome to receive. Questions, instruction, or examination in these beliefs occurs with first communion, confirmation, new member classes or meeting with pastor. You may come to the altar and receive a blessing by crossing your arms over your chest. \*Non-alcoholic wine is in the center of tray and gluten-free wafers are available.

**PREPARING FOR WORSHIP:** You may light a candle and enter the sanctuary in reverence, find a seat and take a moment to pray and be still. Please keep all social dialogue in the Narthex.

**FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED:** We are equipped with a personal hearing assistance system. If you would like a receiver for the service, please see an usher.

**WE CAN PRAY WITH YOU:** If you would like someone to pray for you or with you, the pastor, deacons or one of the Elders will join you at the Chancel rail following the worship service.

**GIVING:** Your tithes and offerings can be placed in the offering plates in back of church with your connection card. You can also give online with your phone using this QR Code:



## **GOOD FRIDAY TENEBRAE**

**March 29, 2024 ~ 7:30 PM**

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*The final sacrifice of Christ on the cross reveals His final victory. Everything Isaiah described about the suffering servant came true. The cross is a breathtaking glimpse into the working of God's history through the redemptive life and death of His son. The Tenebrae service is an appropriate way for us to remember that day on which our Lord was crucified because of man's rebelliousness against God.*

*This service is a version of the ancient Office of Tenebrae traditionally sung in Holy Week to impress on the minds and hearts of the believers that awful consequence of sin, and the magnitude of Christ's sacrifice. The Service begins in silence and ends in almost total darkness. The extinguishing of the lights has come to signify the flight of the disciples. The extinguishing of the Christ candle symbolizes the death of Christ. The noise (or "strepitus") of the closing of the Book at the conclusion of the service is to acknowledge that the meaning of the cross is fulfilled: "It is finished."*

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**PRE-SERVICE TRADITION OF THE NAILS**

*(Each worshipper is asked to take the nail that you received on Ash Wednesday and insert it into a pre-drilled hole in the cross that is in the narthex.)*

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**† PREPARATION †**

*The Congregation stands at the tolls of a bell.*

**OPENING HYMN**

**"On My Heart Imprint Your Image"**

**LSB 422**

1 On my heart imprint Your image,  
Blessèd Jesus, King of grace,  
That life's riches, cares, and pleasures  
Never may Your work erase;  
Let the clear inscription be:  
Jesus, crucified for me  
Is my life, my hope's foundation,  
And my glory and salvation!  
Please kneel if you are able.

## THE LITANY PRAYER

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C O Lord, have mercy on us.**

P O Christ, have mercy on us.

**C O Christ, have mercy on us.**

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C O Lord, have mercy on us.**

P O Christ, hear us.

**C O Christ, hear us.**

P O God, the Father in heaven,

**C have mercy on us.**

P O God, the Holy Spirit

**C have mercy on us.**

P Be gracious to us.

**C Spare us, Good Lord.**

P O Lord, Jesus Christ, Son of God

**C We implore you to hear us.**

P O Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,

**C have mercy on us.**

P O Christ, hear us.

**C O Christ, hear us.**

P O Lord, hear us.

**C O Lord, hear us.**

P O Christ, hear us.

**C O Christ, hear us.**

## REPROACH AND TRISAGION

P Thus says the Lord: What have I done to you, O My people, and wherein have I offended you? Answer Me. For I have raised you up out of the prison house of sin and death, and you have delivered up your Redeemer to be scourged. For I have redeemed you from the house of bondage, and you have nailed your Savior to the cross. O My people.

*Cantor:*

*Holy Lord God, holy and mighty God, holy and most merciful Redeemer; God eternal, leave us not to bitter death. O Lord, have mercy.*

Please stand if you are able.

*The hymn begins with no introduction.*

“Lamb of God, Pure and Holy”

LSB 434:1

1 Lamb of God, pure and ho - ly, Who on the cross didst suf - fer,  
Ev - er pa - tient and low - ly, Thy - self to scorn didst of - fer.  
All sins Thou bor - est for us, Else had de - spair reigned o'er us:  
Have mer - cy on us, O Je - sus! O Je - sus!

**THE RESPONSORY FOR PASSIONTIDE**

Holy Cross Choir

## **SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Let us pray. Almighty God, graciously behold this Your family for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed and delivered into the hands of sinful men to suffer death upon the cross; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

Please be seated,

## **ANTHEM**

“Where You There/There is a Balm in Gilead”

Duet: Marie Metcalfe, flute, Michael Katopodes, piano

## **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

Isaiah 52:13—53:12

<sup>13</sup>Behold, my servant shall act wisely; he shall be high and lifted up, and shall be exalted. <sup>14</sup>As many were astonished at you—his appearance was so marred, beyond human semblance, and his form beyond that of the children of mankind—<sup>15</sup>so shall he sprinkle many nations; kings shall shut their mouths because of him; for that which has not been told them they see, and that which they have not heard they understand. <sup>1</sup>Who has believed what they heard from us? And to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed? <sup>2</sup>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, and no beauty that we should desire him. <sup>3</sup>He was despised and rejected by men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief; and as one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not. <sup>4</sup>Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. <sup>5</sup>But he was wounded for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his stripes we are healed. <sup>6</sup>All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. <sup>7</sup>He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and

like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he opened not his mouth. <sup>8</sup>By oppression and judgment he was taken away; and as for his generation, who considered that he was cut off out of the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people? <sup>9</sup>And they made his grave with the wicked and with a rich man in his death, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth. <sup>10</sup>Yet it was the will of the Lord to crush him; he has put him to grief; when his soul makes an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring; he shall prolong his days; the will of the Lord shall prosper in his hand. <sup>11</sup>Out of the anguish of his soul he shall see and be satisfied; by his knowledge shall the righteous one, my servant, make many to be accounted righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. <sup>12</sup>Therefore I will divide him a portion with the many, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong, because he poured out his soul to death and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and makes intercession for the transgressors.

***Lights are dimmed.***

“Lamb of God”

LSB 550:1-2

1 Your only Son, no sin to hide,  
But You have sent Him from Your side  
To walk upon this guilty sod,  
And to become the Lamb of God. **Refrain**

**Refrain:** O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God,  
I love the holy Lamb of God!  
O wash me in His precious blood,  
My Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God.

2 Your Gift of love they crucified,  
They laughed and scorned Him as He died:  
The humble King they named a fraud,  
And sacrificed the Lamb of God. **Refrain**

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Please stand if you are able.

## READING

John 18:1–11

<sup>1</sup>When Jesus had spoken these words, he went out with his disciples across the Kidron Valley, where there was a garden, which he and his disciples entered. <sup>2</sup>Now Judas, who betrayed him, also knew the place, for Jesus often met there with his disciples. <sup>3</sup>So Judas, having procured a band of soldiers and some officers from the chief priests and the Pharisees, went there with lanterns and torches and weapons. <sup>4</sup>Then Jesus, knowing all that would happen to him, came forward and said to them, “Whom do you seek?” <sup>5</sup>They answered him, “Jesus of Nazareth.” Jesus said to them, “I am he.” Judas, who betrayed him, was standing with them. <sup>6</sup>When Jesus said to them, “I am he,” they drew back and fell to the ground. <sup>7</sup>So he asked them again, “Whom do you seek?” And they said, “Jesus of Nazareth.” <sup>8</sup>Jesus answered, “I told you that I am he. So, if you seek me, let these men go.” <sup>9</sup>This was to fulfill the word that he had spoken: “Of those whom you gave me I have lost not one.” <sup>10</sup>Then Simon Peter, having a sword, drew it and struck the high priest’s servant and cut off his right ear. (The servant’s name was Malchus.) <sup>11</sup>So Jesus said to Peter, “Put your sword into its sheath; shall I not drink the cup that the Father has given me?”

Please be seated.

“There Is a Redeemer”

LSB 971:1-2

1     There is a Redeemer—  
      Jesus, God’s own Son;  
      Precious Lamb of God, Messiah,  
      Holy One. **Refrain**

**Refrain:**     Thank You, O my Father,  
                  For giving us Your Son,  
                  And leaving Your Spirit  
                  Till the work on earth is done.

2     Jesus, my Redeemer,  
      Name above all names;



Precious Lamb of God, Messiah,  
Hope for sinners slain. **Refrain**

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Please stand if you are able.

**READING**

John 18:12–27

<sup>12</sup>So the band of soldiers and their captain and the officers of the Jews arrested Jesus and bound him. <sup>13</sup>First they led him to Annas, for he was the father-in-law of Caiaphas, who was high priest that year. <sup>14</sup>It was Caiaphas who had advised the Jews that it would be expedient that one man should die for the people.

<sup>15</sup>Simon Peter followed Jesus, and so did another disciple. Since that disciple was known to the high priest, he entered with Jesus into the court of the high priest, <sup>16</sup>but Peter stood outside at the door. So the other disciple, who was known to the high priest, went out and spoke to the servant girl who kept watch at the door, and brought Peter in. <sup>17</sup>The servant girl at the door said to Peter, “You also are not one of this man’s disciples, are you?” He said, “I am not.”

<sup>18</sup>Now the servants and officers had made a charcoal fire, because it was cold, and they were standing and warming themselves. Peter also was with them, standing and warming himself.

<sup>19</sup>The high priest then questioned Jesus about his disciples and his teaching.

<sup>20</sup>Jesus answered him, “I have spoken openly to the world. I have always taught in synagogues and in the temple, where all Jews come together. I have said nothing in secret. <sup>21</sup>Why do you ask me? Ask those who have heard me what I said to them; they know what I said.” <sup>22</sup>When he had said these things, one of the officers standing by struck Jesus with his hand, saying, “Is that how you answer the high priest?” <sup>23</sup>Jesus answered him, “If what I said is wrong, bear witness about the wrong; but if what I said is right, why do you strike me?” <sup>24</sup>Annas then sent him bound to Caiaphas the high priest.

<sup>25</sup>Now Simon Peter was standing and warming himself. So they said to him, “You also are not one of his disciples, are you?” He denied it and said, “I am not.”

<sup>26</sup>One of the servants of the high priest, a relative of the man whose ear Peter

had cut off, asked, “Did I not see you in the garden with him?” <sup>27</sup>Peter again denied it, and at once a rooster crowed.

Please be seated.

***Lights are dimmed.***

“Lord Jesus Christ”

Taizé: Songs for prayer #15

*Cantor: Lord Jesus Christ, Your light shines within us. Let not my doubts nor my darkness speak to me. Lord Jesus Christ, Your light shines within us. Let my heart always welcome your love.*

**ALL: Lord Jesus Christ, Your light shines within us. Let not my doubts nor my darkness speak to me. Lord Jesus Christ, Your light shines within us. Let my heart always welcome your love. (Repeat)**

*The Congregation hums the melody quietly during an instrumental verse.*

Please stand if you are able.

**READING**

John 18:28–40

<sup>28</sup>Then they led Jesus from the house of Caiaphas to the governor’s headquarters. It was early morning. They themselves did not enter the governor’s headquarters, so that they would not be defiled, but could eat the Passover. <sup>29</sup>So Pilate went outside to them and said, “What accusation do you bring against this man?” <sup>30</sup>They answered him, “If this man were not doing evil, we would not have delivered him over to you.” <sup>31</sup>Pilate said to them, “Take him yourselves and judge him by your own law.” The Jews said to him, “It is not lawful for us to put anyone to death.” <sup>32</sup>This was to fulfill the word that Jesus had spoken to show by what kind of death he was going to die.

<sup>33</sup>So Pilate entered his headquarters again and called Jesus and said to him, “Are you the King of the Jews?” <sup>34</sup>Jesus answered, “Do you say this of your own accord, or did others say it to you about me?” <sup>35</sup>Pilate answered, “Am I a Jew? Your own nation and the chief priests have delivered you over to me. What have

you done?” <sup>36</sup>Jesus answered, “My kingdom is not of this world. If my kingdom were of this world, my servants would have been fighting, that I might not be delivered over to the Jews. But my kingdom is not from the world.” <sup>37</sup>Then Pilate said to him, “So you are a king?” Jesus answered, “You say that I am a king. For this purpose I was born and for this purpose I have come into the world—to bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth listens to my voice.” <sup>38</sup>Pilate said to him, “What is truth?” After he had said this, he went back outside to the Jews and told them, “I find no guilt in him. <sup>39</sup>But you have a custom that I should release one man for you at the Passover. So do you want me to release to you the King of the Jews?” <sup>40</sup>They cried out again, “Not this man, but Barabbas!” Now Barabbas was a robber.

Please be seated.

***Lights are dimmed.***

“O Dearest Jesus, What Law Hast Thou Broken”

LSB 439:1,5

1 O dearest Jesus, what law hast Thou broken  
That such sharp sentence should on Thee be spoken?  
Of what great crime hast Thou to make confession,  
What dark transgression?

5 The sinless Son of God must die in sadness;  
The sinful child of man may live in gladness;  
Man forfeited his life and is acquitted;  
God is committed.

Please stand if you are able.

**READING**

John 19:1–16

<sup>1</sup>Then Pilate took Jesus and flogged him. <sup>2</sup>And the soldiers twisted together a crown of thorns and put it on his head and arrayed him in a purple robe. <sup>3</sup>They came up to him, saying, “Hail, King of the Jews!” and struck him with their hands. <sup>4</sup>Pilate went out again and said to them, “See, I am bringing him out to you that

you may know that I find no guilt in him.” <sup>5</sup>So Jesus came out, wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe. Pilate said to them, “Behold the man!” <sup>6</sup>When the chief priests and the officers saw him, they cried out, “Crucify him, crucify him!” Pilate said to them, “Take him yourselves and crucify him, for I find no guilt in him.” <sup>7</sup>The Jews answered him, “We have a law, and according to that law he ought to die because he has made himself the Son of God.” <sup>8</sup>When Pilate heard this statement, he was even more afraid. <sup>9</sup>He entered his headquarters again and said to Jesus, “Where are you from?” But Jesus gave him no answer. <sup>10</sup>So Pilate said to him, “You will not speak to me? Do you not know that I have authority to release you and authority to crucify you?” <sup>11</sup>Jesus answered him, “You would have no authority over me at all unless it had been given you from above. Therefore he who delivered me over to you has the greater sin.” <sup>12</sup>From then on Pilate sought to release him, but the Jews cried out, “If you release this man, you are not Caesar’s friend. Everyone who makes himself a king opposes Caesar.” <sup>13</sup>So when Pilate heard these words, he brought Jesus out and sat down on the judgment seat at a place called The Stone Pavement, and in Aramaic Gabbatha. <sup>14</sup>Now it was the day of Preparation of the Passover. It was about the sixth hour. He said to the Jews, “Behold your King!” <sup>15</sup>They cried out, “Away with him, away with him, crucify him!” Pilate said to them, “Shall I crucify your King?” The chief priests answered, “We have no king but Caesar.” <sup>16</sup>So he delivered him over to them to be crucified.

Please be seated.

### **Lights are dimmed.**

#### **ANTHEM**

“When Jesus Wept”

Holy Cross Choir

*When Jesus wept, the falling tear. In mercy flowed beyond all bound;  
When Jesus groaned, a trembling fear. Seized all the guilty world around.*

Please stand if you are able.

#### **READING**

John 19:17–24

So they took Jesus, <sup>17</sup>and he went out, bearing his own cross, to the place called the place of a skull, which in Aramaic is called Golgotha. <sup>18</sup>There they crucified him, and with him two others, one on either side, and Jesus between them.

<sup>19</sup>Pilate also wrote an inscription and put it on the cross. It read, "Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews." <sup>20</sup>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. <sup>21</sup>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.'" <sup>22</sup>Pilate answered, "What I have written I have written."  
<sup>23</sup>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, <sup>24</sup>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,

Please be seated.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

"My God, My God, why have You abandoned Me?"

Psalm 22

*Cantor: My God, My God, why have You abandoned Me?*

**Refrain ALL: My God, My God, why have You abandoned Me?**

*Cantor: All who see me scoff at me; they mock me with parted lips, they wag their heads: "He relied on the Lord; let Him deliver Him, let Him rescue Him, if he Loves Him.*

**Refrain ALL: My God, My God, why have You abandoned Me?**

*Cantor: They divide my garments among them, and for my vesture, they cast lots. But you, O Lord, be not far from me; O my help, hasten to aid me.*

**Refrain ALL: My God, My God, why have You abandoned Me?**

Please stand if you are able.

## READING

Matthew 27:45-49

<sup>45</sup>Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land until the ninth hour. <sup>46</sup>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?" <sup>47</sup>And some of the bystanders, hearing it, said, "This man is calling Elijah." <sup>48</sup>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. <sup>49</sup>But the others said, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him."

Please be seated.

***Lights are dimmed.***

## **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

"My God, My God, why have You abandoned Me?"

Psalm 22

*Cantor: Indeed many dogs surround me, a pack of evil doers closes in upon me; they have pierced my hands and my feet; I can count all my bones.*

**Refrain ALL: My God, My God, why have You abandoned Me?**

*Cantor: I will proclaim Your Name to my brethren, in the midst of the assembly I will praise You: "You who fear the Lord praise him; All you descendants of Jacob, give glory to him; Revere him, all you descendants of Israel!"*

**Refrain ALL: My God, My God, why have You abandoned Me?  
(Repeat)**

Please stand if you are able.

## **READING**

John 19:25–30

<sup>25</sup>but standing by the cross of Jesus were his mother and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. <sup>26</sup>When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to his mother, "Woman,

behold, your son!" <sup>27</sup>Then he said to the disciple, "Behold, your mother!" And from that hour the disciple took her to his own home.

<sup>28</sup>After this, Jesus, knowing that all was now finished, said (to fulfill the Scripture), "I thirst." <sup>29</sup>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. <sup>30</sup>When Jesus had received the sour wine, he said, "It is finished," and he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

Please be seated.

## THE MEDITATION

### Lights are dimmed.

"How Deep The Father's Love For Us"

OAR 203:1-2

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.

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.

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Please stand if you are able.

**READING**

John 19:31–42

<sup>31</sup>Since it was the day of Preparation, and so that the bodies would not remain on the cross on the Sabbath (for that Sabbath was a high day), the Jews asked Pilate that their legs might be broken and that they might be taken away. <sup>32</sup>So the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first, and of the other who had been crucified with him. <sup>33</sup>But when they came to Jesus and saw that he was already dead, they did not break his legs. <sup>34</sup>But one of the soldiers pierced his side with a spear, and at once there came out blood and water. <sup>35</sup>He who saw it has borne witness—his testimony is true, and he knows that he is telling the truth—that you also may believe. <sup>36</sup>For these things took place that the Scripture might be fulfilled: “Not one of his bones will be broken.” <sup>37</sup>And again another Scripture says, “They will look on him whom they have pierced.”

Please be seated.

***Lights are dimmed.***

“O Sacred Head, Now Wounded”

LSB 449:1, 3

- 1     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.
- 3     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 for Thee.

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*The Reading continues*

<sup>38</sup>After these things Joseph of Arimathea, who was a disciple of Jesus, but secretly for fear of the Jews, asked Pilate that he might take away the body of Jesus, and Pilate gave him permission. So he came and took away his body. <sup>39</sup>Nicodemus also, who earlier had come to Jesus by night, came bringing a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about seventy-five pounds in weight. <sup>40</sup>So they took the body of Jesus and bound it in linen cloths with the spices, as is the burial custom of the Jews. <sup>41</sup>Now in the place where he was crucified there was a garden, and in the garden a new tomb in which no one had yet been laid. <sup>42</sup>So because of the Jewish day of Preparation, since the tomb was close at hand, they laid Jesus there.

3     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?

***The Paschal Candle is extinguished.***

**THE STREPITUS**

*A loud noise symbolizing the closing of Christ's tomb.*

Please feel free to knee or sit for the silent meditation.

**SILENCE FOR MEDITATION**

*We ponder now the Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ in silent meditation.*

Please stand if you are able.

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** – (quietly spoken by the congregation)

**C     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  
      forever and ever. Amen**

**CONCLUDING COLLECT**

**P     We implore You, O Lord, that Your abundant blessing may be upon Your  
      people who have held the passion and death of Your Son in devout  
      remembrance, that we may receive Your pardon and the gift of Your  
      comfort, and may increase in faith and take hold of eternal salvation.**

**Amen.**

*Cantor: Our eyes are turned to the Lord Jesus Christ. Our eyes are turned to the Lord God, our Savior.*

**ALL: Our eyes are turned to the Lord Jesus Christ.  
Our eyes are turned to the Lord God, our Savior. (Repeat)**

*The Congregation hums the melody quietly during an instrumental verse*

**ALL: Our eyes are turned to the Lord Jesus Christ.  
Our eyes are turned to the Lord God, our Savior.**

## **PARTING**

*We now anticipate the joys of Easter while contemplating the solemnity of Christ's Passion.*

***There is no benediction as our service continues with our Easter Worship Services on Saturday, at 5:30pm, and Easter Sunday at 8:45 or 11:00am.***

***We leave now in complete silence until outside.***

## ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TONIGHT

**Pastor:** Rev. Eric Shanburn

**Cantor/Organist:** Mr. Michael Katopodes  
Holy Cross Choir and Handbell Choir

**Screen Operator:** Mrs. Carol Dehnke

**Lay Reader:** Mr. Kevin Atkinson

**Ushers:** Mr. Ray Marchionda