

## **Good Friday 2020**

*Christ Our God Dies on the Cross*

Zion Lutheran Church  
Wausau, Wisconsin

Tre Ore Service + 12–3 p.m.



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## 12:00 NOON

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*The bell tolls 12 times. The following is spoken three times before the image of Christ crucified:*

**P:** Behold, the life-giving cross on which was hung the salvation of the whole world.

**C:** **Oh, come, let us adore him.**

### **IMPROPERIA** (*"Reproaches"*)

**L:** 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.

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

**Response:**     **Lamb of God, pure and sinless, Once on the cross an off'ring,  
Patient, meek, though guiltless, Forsaken in your suff'ring!  
You died our guilt to banish That none in sin need perish!  
Grant us your mercy, O Jesus!**

**L:** Thus says the Lord: What have I done to you, O my people, and wherein have I offended you? Answer me. For I have conquered all your foes, and you have given me over and delivered me to those who persecute me. For I have fed you with my Word and refreshed you with living water, and you have given me gall and vinegar to drink. O my people.

Holy Lord God, holy and mighty God, holy and most merciful Redeemer; God eternal, allow us not to lose hope in the face of death and hell. O Lord, have mercy.

**Response: Lamb of God, pure and sinless, Once on the cross an off'ring,  
Patient, meek, though guiltless, Forsaken in your suff'ring!  
You died our guilt to banish That none in sin need perish!  
Grant us your mercy, O Jesus!**

L: Thus says the Lord: What have I done to you, O my people, and wherein have I offended you? Answer me. What more could have been done for my vineyard than I have done for it? When I looked for good grapes, why did it yield only bad? My people, is this how you thank your God? O my people.

Holy Lord God, holy and mighty God, holy and most merciful Redeemer;  
God eternal, keep us steadfast in the true faith. O Lord, have mercy.

**HYMN** "Sing, My Tongue" green hymnal #118;  
stanzas 1 & 4

**LESSON** Isaiah 52:13 – 53:12

**HYMN** "Jesus, I Will Ponder Now" green hymnal #115

**LESSON** Hebrews 4:12 – 5:10

### **PRAYER**

P: Gracious Jesus, our Lord and our God,

C: **at this hour you bore our sins in your own body on the tree so that we, being dead to sin, might live to 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, one God forever. Amen**

*An organ interlude is played.*



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## 12:20 PM: The First Station

"JESUS IS CONDEMNED TO DEATH."

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**HYMN** "A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth" green hymnal #105,  
stanzas 1 and 2

P: God spared not his only Son.

C: **But delivered him up for us all.**

**LESSON** Mark 15:1-5, 15

### RESPONSE

C: **Lamb of God, pure and sinless, Once on the cross an off'ring,  
Patient, meek, though guiltless, Forsaken in your suff'ring!  
You died our guilt to banish That none in sin need perish!  
Grant us your mercy, O Jesus!**

**MEDITATION** Pr. Steven K. Gjerde

### CHORAL OFFERING

"He Stood Before the Court"

... Christopher M. Idle

### PRAYER

P: Almighty God,

C: **we beg you, in your great love, to look on us, your family, for which our Lord Christ was willing to be betrayed, to be given into the hands of the wicked, and to suffer death on the cross; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen**

### BLESSING

*An organ interlude is played.*



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## 12:40 PM: The Second Station

"JESUS RECEIVES HIS BITTER CROSS"

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### HYMN "Stricken, Smitten, and Forgiven"



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



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



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 -



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



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.

P: The Lord has laid on Him the iniquity of us all.

C: Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows.

LESSON Matthew 27:27-31; John 19:16-17

## RESPONSE

**C:** Lamb of God, pure and sinless, Once on the cross an off'ring,  
Patient, meek, though guiltless, Forsaken in your suff'ring!  
You died our guilt to banish That none in sin need perish!  
Grant us your mercy, O Jesus!

**MEDITATION** Pr. Joseph Pinzl

## CHORAL OFFERING

"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

... Isaac Watts

**PRAYER** *Please kneel.*

**P:** Almighty and everlasting God, who willed that your Son should bear  
for us the pains of the cross:

**C:** Help us so to remember and give thanks for our Lord's passion that  
we may obtain remission of sin and redemption from everlasting  
death; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## BLESSING

*An organ interlude is played.*



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## 1:00 PM: The Third Station

"SIMON HELPS JESUS CARRY HIS CROSS"

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**HYMN** "Ah, Holy Jesus" green hymnal #123

**P:** Whoever does not carry his cross and come after me,

**C:** cannot be my disciple.

**LESSON** Mark 15:21

## RESPONSE

**C:** Lamb of God, pure and sinless, Once on the cross an off'ring,  
Patient, meek, though guiltless, Forsaken in your suff'ring!  
You died our guilt to banish That none in sin need perish!  
Grant us your mercy, O Jesus!

**MEDITATION** Pr. Christopher Johnson

## CHORAL OFFERING

"The Tree of Life"

... Stephen P. Starke/David von Kampen

**PRAYER** *Please kneel.*

**P:** Merciful God, who has not spared your only Son, but delivered him up for us all, that he might bear our sins upon the cross:

**C:** Grant that our hearts may be so fixed with steadfast faith in him that we may not fear any trouble, but take up our cross in his same spirit of compassion; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## BLESSING

*An organ interlude is played.*



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## 1:20 PM: The Fourth Station

"WOMEN OF JERUSALEM WEEP OVER JESUS"

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**HYMN** "At the Cross, Her Station Keeping" green hymnal #110

**P:** You have turned my mourning into gladness.

**C:** Those who sow in tears shall reap in joy.

**LESSON** Luke 23:27-31

## RESPONSE

**C:** Lamb of God, pure and sinless, Once on the cross an off'ring,  
Patient, meek, though guiltless, Forsaken in your suff'ring!  
You died our guilt to banish That none in sin need perish!  
Grant us your mercy, O Jesus!

**MEDITATION** Pr. Joseph Pinzl

## CHORAL OFFERING

"What Wondrous Love"

... American Folk Hymn

## PRAYER

**P:** O God, the Comfort of all who hope in you:

**C:** As your Son consoled others in the midst of his own suffering, so  
also give to us selfless hearts and the desire to serve our neighbors;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## BLESSING

*An organ interlude is played.*



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## 1:40 PM: The Fifth Station

"JESUS IS STRIPPED OF HIS GARMENTS"

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**HYMN** "Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed" green hymnal #98

**P:** They divided my garments among them.

**C:** And for my vesture they did cast lots.

**LESSON** John 19:23-25

## RESPONSE

**C:** Lamb of God, pure and sinless, Once on the cross an off'ring,  
Patient, meek, though guiltless, Forsaken in your suff'ring!  
You died our guilt to banish That none in sin need perish!  
Grant us your mercy, O Jesus!

**MEDITATION** Pr. Christopher Johnson

## CHORAL OFFERING

"The Blood of Jesus"

... Mark Knickelbein

## PRAYER

**P:** Strip us, O Lord, of our former self with its evil deeds and ways,  
**C:** and clothe us with that new nature which is created after the manner  
of God with justice and in holiness of truth. Help us see that it is  
you who enriches us by giving us an opportunity to serve you as we  
help clothe the naked and feed the hungry. Amen

## BLESSING

*An organ interlude is played.*



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## 2:00 PM: The Sixth Station

"JESUS IS NAILED TO THE CROSS "

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**HYMN** "Deep Were His Wounds" green hymnal #100

**P:** They have pierced my hands and my feet.

**C:** They have numbered all my bones.

**LESSON** Luke 23:32-33

## RESPONSE

**C:** Lamb of God, pure and sinless, Once on the cross an off'ring,  
Patient, meek, though guiltless, Forsaken in your suff'ring!  
You died our guilt to banish That none in sin need perish!  
Grant us your mercy, O Jesus!

**MEDITATION** Pr. Joseph Pinzl

## CHORAL OFFERING

"Lamb of God"

... Twila Paris/John A. Behnke

## PRAYER

**P:** O Jesus, crucified for me,

**C:** subdue my heart with your holy fear and love, and since my sins  
were the cruel nails that pierced you, grant that in sorrow for my past  
life I may pierce and nail to your cross all that offends you. Amen

## BLESSING

*An organ interlude is played.*



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## 2:20 PM: The Seventh Station

"JESUS DIES ON THE CROSS"

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**HYMN** "Jesus, in Thy Dying Woes" green hymnal #113

**P:** Christ for our sake became obedient unto death,

**C:** even the death of the cross.

**LESSON** Matthew 27:45-54

## RESPONSE

**C:** Lamb of God, pure and sinless, Once on the cross an off'ring,  
Patient, meek, though guiltless, Forsaken in your suff'ring!  
You died our guilt to banish That none in sin need perish!  
Grant us your mercy, O Jesus!

**MEDITATION** Pr. Christopher Johnson

## CHORAL OFFERING

"In Silent Pain the Eternal Son"

... Christopher M. Idle

## PRAYER

**P:** O Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God,

**C:** who at the sixth hour was crucified for the redemption of the world,  
and did shed your precious blood for the remission of our sins: grant  
us, we beg you, that when we die we may enter the gates of Paradise  
through your merits and your victory over death. Amen

## BLESSING

*An organ interlude is played.*



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## 2:40 PM: The Eighth Station

"JESUS IS LAID IN THE TOMB"

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**HYMN** "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" green hymnal #116

**P:** My body also shall rest in hope,

**C:** for you will not abandon me to the grave, nor let your Holy One see the  
pit.

**LESSON** Matthew 27:55-61

**MEDITATION** Pr. Steven Gjerde

## **PRAYER**

P: O Jesus, most compassionate Lord,

**C: we adore you, who are enclosed in the tomb. We desire to enclose you within our hearts, that, united with you, we may rise to newness of life, and by the gift of faithful confession, may also die in your grace. Amen**

## **CHORAL OFFERING**

“Pie Jesu”

... Gabriel Fauré

Blessed Jesus, Christ our Lord, grant them everlasting rest. Bestow on them peaceful sleep, sleep that brings a kind repose, everlasting calm relief. Faithful Jesus, Lord our God, grant your servants everlasting sleep and rest.

## **LITANY OF THE PASSION**

P: O Lord,

**C: have mercy upon us.**

P: O Christ,

**C: have mercy upon us.**

P: O Lord,

**C: have mercy upon us.**

P: God the Father in heaven,

**C: have mercy upon us.**

P: God the Son, Redeemer of the world,

**C: have mercy upon us.**

P: God the Holy Spirit, sanctifying us in Holy Baptism,

**C: have mercy upon us.**

P: O holy and blessed Trinity,

**C: have mercy and hear us.**

P: O Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh, hated by the world, sold for thirty pieces of silver, sweating blood in your bitter agony, betrayed by Judas, for-

saken by your disciples,

**C: have mercy and hear us.**

P: O Jesus Christ, struck upon the cheek, accused by false witnesses, spit upon in the face, denied by Peter, mocked by Herod, scourged by Pilate, rejected for Barabbas,

**C: have mercy and hear us.**

P: O Jesus, burdened with the cross, crowned with thorns, stripped of your clothing, nailed to the tree, reviled by your nation's leaders, taunted by the malefactor, wounded in the side, giving your holy and precious blood, forsaken by your Father, dying for our sins,

**C: have mercy and hear us.**

P: O Jesus, taken gently from the cross, laid in the sepulcher, rising gloriously, ascending brilliantly into heaven, sending upon your Church the Holy Spirit,

**C: have mercy and hear us.**

P: O Jesus our Sacrifice, our Prophet, Priest, and King,

**C: have mercy and hear us.**

P: Be merciful.

**C: Spare us, O Lord.**

P: Be merciful.

**C: Graciously hear us, O Lord.**

P: From all sin, from all evil, from anger and hatred,

**C: Lord Jesus, deliver us.**

P: From malice and revenge, from unbelief and hardness of heart,

**C: Lord Jesus, deliver us.**

P: From blasphemy and sacrilege, from hypocrisy and covetousness,

**C: Lord Jesus, deliver us.**

P: From blindness to the one true faith, from danger of soul and body,

**C: Lord Jesus, deliver us.**

P: From everlasting death,

**C: Lord Jesus, deliver us.**

P: We sinners beseech you to hear us, good Lord: That you would spare us, pardon us, defend your one holy Church, bless your own, convert your foes, spread the truth, destroy error, break to pieces false gods, and increase your elect,

**C: we beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

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

**C: have mercy on us.**

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

**C: have mercy on us.**

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

**C: grant us your peace.**

P: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless your name forever;

**C: by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.**

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray.

**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**

### **HYMN "O Christ, Thou Lamb of God"**

**C: O Christ, thou Lamb of God  
That takest away the sin of the world,  
Have mercy upon us!  
O Christ, thou Lamb of God  
That takest away the sin of the world,**

**Have mercy upon us!  
O Christ, thou Lamb of God  
That takest away the sin of the world,  
Grant us thy peace! A – men**

**P:** We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you;

**C:** By your holy Cross you have redeemed the world.

## **SILENT RECESSION**

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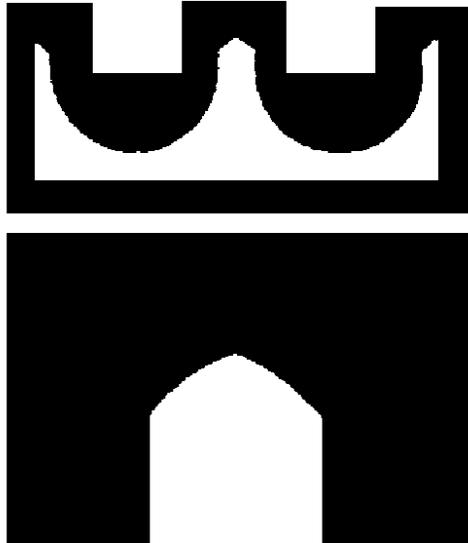
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Those who trust in the Lord shall be like Mount Zion,  
which cannot be moved, but abides forever. (Psalm 125:1)

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