IT IS FINISHED ... FOR YOU HE WALKED THE PATH TO CALVARY

April 15, 2022 ... 1:00 PM



GLORIFY HIM ...
GROW IN HIM ...
GO WITH HIS GOSPEL

Good Friday --- Redeemed, Restored, Forgiven

April 15, 2022

A place to call home: St. Mark's Lutheran Church & School

In the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ, welcome home. We especially welcome to our house of worship our guests who have joined us today. We pray you will be strengthened by the good news about God's grace, love, and forgiveness to us through Jesus.

We say with the Psalmist, whether here on campus or viewing online, "I rejoiced with those who said to me, Let us go to the house of the LORD" (Psalm 122:1).

May the Lord continue to help us grow in His grace and knowledge as we hear, speak, and sing His holy Word.

Some items to keep in mind as we gather for worship in this place:

Members & our Guests ... Please pick up and fill out a **Connection Card** which can be found in the Entryway; before you leave place it in the basket labeled "Filled out Connection Cards." Thank you!

We do have **LARGE PRINT** copies of the Bulletin; you will find them on the table with the Bulletins.

Hymns from 'Christian Worship' are in the 'red' book / 'Christian Worship Supplement' in the 'blue' 'Christian Worship Hymnal' is our 2021 Edition (not yet in the Pews)

Personal hearing assistance devices are available on the entryway wall near the west entrance. The sanctuary is also 'looped' for those who have hearing aids that can pick up the signal.

Holy Communion is offered on the 1st, 3rd, & 5th Sundays. Since Holy Communion is a confession of faith, we ask that at this time only members partake of the Sacrament. If you are not a member and would like to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion, please reach out to our Pastor.



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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Worship Focus: During the Season of Lent, for our midweek Lenten journey with Jesus to the cross, we have been looking at various 'shadows of the Savior,' that which pointed ahead to what Jesus as Savior would do as part of gaining our salvation. On this Good Friday, we continue our look at such shadows; today's is centered on a snake. All who looked on 'this snake' had their life spared. How that snake served as a shadow is our focus. Sin comes with a deadly bite; Jesus has the antidote.

PRELUDE

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

Arr by Victor Labenske

Greeting & Invocation

Minister: LORD, your mercies

Congregation: are new every morning.

M: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you.

M: Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God!

C: How unsearchable His judgments, and His paths beyond tracing out!

M: Who has known the mind of the Lord?

C: Or who has been His counselor?

M: Who has ever given to God, that God should repay him?

C: For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things.

ALL: To Him be the glory forever! Amen.

OPENING HYMN

Were You There

Musical Introduction

New Christian Worship # 426

See page 11 of this Bulletin for the Hymn

P: We confess our sins –

ALL: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against You and do not deserve to be called Your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to Your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

HYMN

Musical Introduction

Jesus Sinners Does Receive

New Christian Worship # 654

I, a sinner, come to you with a penitent confession. Savior, show me mercy, too; grant for all my sins remission. Let these words my soul relieve: Jesus sinners does receive.

P: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, He has removed your guilt forever. You are His own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to His will.

C: Amen.

HYMN

Musical Introduction

Jesus Sinners Does Receive

New Christian Worship # 654

Jesus sinners does receive, even I have been forgiven. And when I this earth must leave, I shall find an open heaven. Dving, still to him I cleave: Jesus sinners does receive.

A READING FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 52:13-53:12

Read aloud when we come to the bold print

Prophecy fulfilled in the Christ who hung from the cross

See, my servant will act wisely; he will be raised and lifted up and highly exalted. ¹⁴ Just as there were many who were appalled at him—his appearance was so disfigured beyond that of any human being and his form marred beyond human likeness—¹⁵ so he will sprinkle many nations, and kings will shut their mouths because of him. For what they were not told, they will see, and what they have not heard, they will understand. Who has believed our message and to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed? ² He grew up before him like a tender shoot, and like a root out of dry ground. He had no beauty or majesty to attract us to him, nothing in his appearance that we should desire him. ³ He was despised and rejected by mankind, a man of suffering, and familiar with pain. Like one from whom people hide their faces he was despised, and we held him in low esteem.

⁴ Surely he took up our pain and bore our suffering, yet we considered him punished by God, stricken by him, and afflicted. ⁵ But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed. ⁶ We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to our own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

⁷He was oppressed and afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; he was led like a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. ⁸By oppression and judgment he was taken away. Yet who of his generation protested? For he was cut off from

the land of the living; for the transgression of my people he was punished. ⁹ He was assigned a grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his death, though he had done no violence, nor was any deceit in his mouth. ¹⁰ Yet it was the LORD's will to crush him and cause him to suffer, and though the LORD makes his life an offering for sin, he will see his offspring and prolong his days, and the will of the LORD will prosper in his hand. ¹¹ After he has suffered, he will see the light of life and be satisfied; by his knowledge my righteous servant will justify many, and he will bear their iniquities. ¹² Therefore I will give him a portion among the great, and he will divide the spoils with the strong, because he poured out his life unto death, and was numbered with the transgressors. For he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

M: The Word of the Lord. C: God have mercy on us.

HYMN Musical Introduction

Deep Were His Wounds *Christian Worship # 107*

See page 12 of this Bulletin for the Hymn

M: Why would God in heaven have a need to send His One and Only Son to earth to serve as our Substitute? We turn to Ephesians 2 for an answer.

Men: As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins, in which you used to live when you followed the ways of this world and of the ruler of the kingdom of the air, the spirit who is now at work in those who are disobedient.

ALL: All of us also lived among them at one time, gratifying the cravings of our sinful nature and following its desires and thoughts. Like the rest, we were by nature objects of wrath.

Women: But because of His great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions – it is by grace you have been saved.

HYMN

Oh, How He Loves You and Me

Musical Introduction

Join on the **bold print** words of the 2nd verse

Let All The People Praise You $\#\,218$

Oh, how he loves you and me; Oh, how he loves you and me.

He gave his life – what more could he give?

Oh, how he loves you; Oh, how he loves me;

Oh, how he loves you and me.

Jesus to Calvary did go, His love for sinners to show. What he did there brought hope from despair. Oh, how he loves you; Oh, how he loves me; Oh, how he loves you and me.

A READING FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE

Galatians 3:10-13

Read aloud when we come to the bold print

On-going perfection is demanded. Who can live up to such a demand? Christ did; and what He has done has been credited to us.

For all who rely on the works of the law are under a curse, as it is written: "Cursed is everyone who does not continue to do everything written in the Book of the Law." ¹¹ Clearly no one who relies on the law is justified before God, because "the righteous will live by faith." ¹² The law is not based on faith; on the contrary, it says, "The person who does these things will live by them." ¹³ Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us, for it is written: "Cursed is everyone who is hung on a pole."

M: The Word of the Lord. C: Lord have mercy on us.

HYMN

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

Musical Introduction

New Christian Worship # 428

See page 13 of this Bulletin for the Hymn

A READING FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE

John 19:17-30

Read aloud when we come to the bold print

The crucifixion of our Lord.

Carrying his own cross, he went out to the place of the Skull (which in Aramaic is called Golgotha). ¹⁸ There they crucified him, and with him two others—one on each side and Jesus in the middle. ¹⁹ Pilate had a notice prepared and fastened to the cross. It read: JESUS OF NAZARETH, THE KING OF THE JEWS. ²⁰ Many of the Jews read this sign, for the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city, and the sign was written in Aramaic, Latin and Greek. ²¹ The chief priests of the Jews protested to Pilate, "Do not write 'The King of the Jews,' but that this man claimed to be king of the Jews." ²² Pilate answered, "What I have written, I have written." ²³ When the soldiers crucified Jesus, they took his clothes, dividing them into four shares, one for each of them, with the undergarment remaining. This garment was seamless, woven in one piece from top to bottom. ²⁴ "Let's not tear it," they said to one another. "Let's decide by lot who will

get it." This happened that the scripture might be fulfilled that said, "They divided my clothes among them and cast lots for my garment." So this is what the soldiers did. ²⁵ Near the cross of Jesus stood his mother, his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. ²⁶ When Jesus saw his mother there, and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to her, "Woman, here is your son," ²⁷ and to the disciple, "Here is your mother." From that time on, this disciple took her into his home. ²⁸ Later, knowing that everything had now been finished, and so that Scripture would be fulfilled, Jesus said, "I am thirsty." ²⁹ A jar of wine vinegar was there, so they soaked a sponge in it, put the sponge on a stalk of the hyssop plant, and lifted it to Jesus' lips. ³⁰ When he had received the drink, Jesus said, "It is finished." With that, he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

M: The Word of the Lord. C: God have mercy on us.

HYMN *Musical Introduction*

The Power of the Cross

New Christian Worship # 423

See page 14 of this Bulletin for the Hymn

FOCUS ON THE SCRIPTURES

Based on Numbers 21:4-9

"Shadows of the Savior: The Bronze Snake"

They traveled from Mount Hor along the route to the Red Sea, to go around Edom. But the people grew impatient on the way; ⁵ they spoke against God and against Moses, and said, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? There is no bread! There is no water! And we detest this miserable food!" ⁶ Then the LORD sent venomous snakes among them; they bit the people and many Israelites died. ⁷ The people came to Moses and said, "We sinned when we spoke against the LORD and against you. Pray that the LORD will take the snakes away from us." So Moses prayed for the people. ⁸ The LORD said to Moses, "Make a snake and put it up on a pole; anyone who is bitten can look at it and live." ⁹ So Moses made a bronze snake and put it up on a pole. Then when anyone was bitten by a snake and looked at the bronze snake, they lived.

HYMN

God Was There on Calvary

Musical Introduction

New Christian Worship # 433

God was there on Calvary, God the Father's only Son, dying that the world might live, there on Calvary.

All the world on Calvary crucified the Prince of life, pierced the hands of God's own Son, there on Calvary.

Sin was there on Calvary, all the sins of ev'ryone, laid upon God's sinless Lamb there on Calvary.

OUR THANK OFFERING (Not collected during the Service)

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- M: Heavenly Father, you are a just God who accepts nothing less than perfection. All too often we fail to realize how much our sins offend you. We forget that the wages of sin truly is death. We forget that there actually is a hell. Lead us to recognize the seriousness of our sinfulness. Lead us also to admit our inability to make things right with you.
- C: Teach us to look to you as the only one who can make us just and right.
- M: Today we are reminded not only of your justice but also of your love. You did not spare your own Son but gave him as a ransom for each one of us. Comfort us with the knowledge of this great love. Give us the peace that the forgiveness of sins brings.
- C: When we feel our guilt, point us to the cross, where our guilt was washed away in Jesus' blood.
- M: Lord Jesus, we thank you for paying the debt that we could not pay. We thank you for coming to earth so that we could be with you forever in heaven.
- C: For being our perfect substitute, we thank you, Lord Jesus.
- M: Son of God, you offered up your body as an unblemished sacrifice for sin and commended your spirit into the hands of your Father. Teach us to cast the cares of this brief life on our heavenly Father and commit our bodies and souls to his love.
- C: Give us the courage to face death, knowing that it is the gate to our home in heaven.
- M: The cross was once an instrument of death. It is now a sign of life.
- C: Dear Savior, we humbly kneel at the cross in awe of your power and of your love. Amen.

And we also pray ...

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are Yours now and forever. Amen.

Musical Introduction

New Christian Worship # 433

Love was there on Calvary, streaming from the heart of God, reaching out for ev'ryone there on Calvary.

Life was there on Calvary, flowing from his wounded side, spent that death itself might die there on Calvary.

We were there on Calvary; we were pardoned, saved, set free, saved to live eternally—blessèd Calvary!

M: What is one truth, of many, that we heard today which we ought to reflect on as we leave this house of worship? Romans 5 says:

C: But God demonstrates His own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

M: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen.

SONG *Vocalist(s)*

Rest, O Christ, from All Your Labor

New Christian Worship # 437

Peace at last from all your anguish, wounds in hands and feet and side.

Enemies no longer mock you, scourged, abandoned, crucified.

Faithful women gather spices, weep for you whom sin has slain.

Though they mourn, the God who guards you will not let your death be vain.

Help us keep this solemn Sabbath as we wait for Easter dawn.
Earth's dark night of sin is passing; death's long reign will soon be gone.
Christ, in whom the new creation rises brighter than the sun:
may we, as we watch for morning, trust the vict'ry you have won.

A READING FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE

John 19:38-42

The Burial of Jesus

³⁸ Later, Joseph of Arimathea asked Pilate for the body of Jesus. Now Joseph was a disciple of Jesus, but secretly because he feared the Jewish leaders. With Pilate's permission, he came and took the body away. ³⁹ He was accompanied by Nicodemus, the man who earlier had visited Jesus at night. Nicodemus brought a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about seventy-five pounds. ⁴⁰ Taking

Jesus' body, the two of them wrapped it, with the spices, in strips of linen. This was in accordance with Jewish burial customs. ⁴¹ At the place where Jesus was crucified, there was a garden, and in the garden a new tomb, in which no one had ever been laid. ⁴² Because it was the Jewish day of Preparation and since the tomb was nearby, they laid Jesus there.

SLAMMING OF THE TOMB ... ONE CANDLE REMAINS LIT TO REMIND US OF THE EASTER VICTORY!

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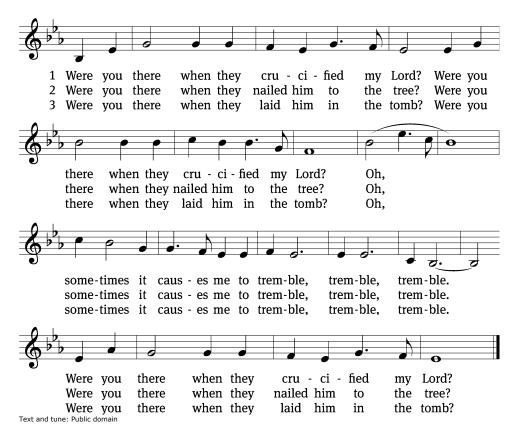
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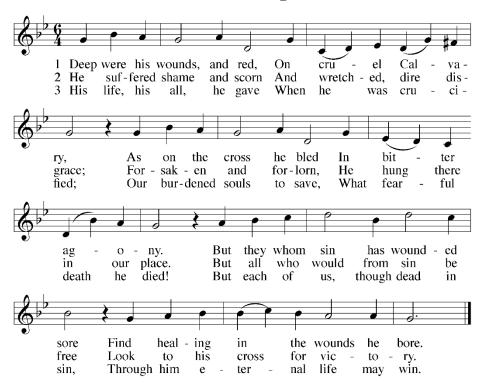
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Oh, to see my name written in the wounds, for through your suff'ring I am free. Death is crushed to death; life is mine to live, won through your selfless love! (Final Refrain)

(Final Refrain) 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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