The Crucial Hours

"They Bound Him"

Midweek Lent - April 6, 2022

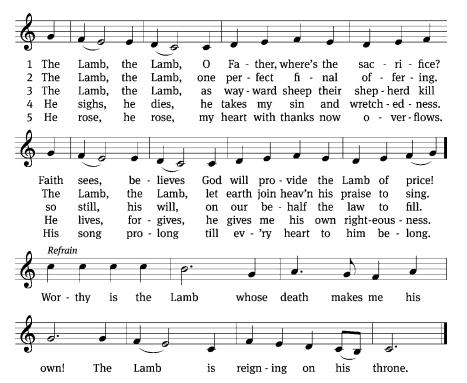
Opening Hymn - 525 The Lamb

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Verses 1-3: Students

v. 4 : Men v. 5: Women

All join on the refrain



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Confession of Sins

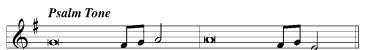
Almighty God, our heavenly Father,

we have sinned against you in our thoughts, in our words, in our deeds, and in all that we have not done. Forgive us in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Deliver and restore us, that we may rest in peace.

By the mercy of God we are redeemed by Jesus Christ, and in him we are forgiven. Let us rest in his peace until the rising of the sun, when we shall serve him in newness of life. **Amen.**

Psalm 40





I waited patiently <u>for</u> the LORD; he turned to me and <u>heard</u> my cry.

Do not withhold your mercy from me, O LORD; may your love and your truth always protect me.

For troubles without number sur<u>round</u> me; my sins have overtaken me, and I <u>cannot</u> see.

They are more than the hairs of my head, and my heart fails within me.

Be pleased, O LORD, to <u>save</u> me; O LORD, come quickly to <u>help</u> me.

Refrain

I waited patiently <u>for</u> the LORD; he turned to me and <u>heard</u> my cry.

He put a new song in my mouth, a hymn of praise to our God. Many will see and fear and put their trust in the LORD.

Blessed is the man who makes the <u>LORD</u> his trust, who does not look to the proud, to those who turn aside to <u>false</u> gods.

Many, O LORD my God, are the wonders <u>you</u> have done. The things you planned for us no one can recount to you;

were I to speak and <u>tell</u> of them, they would be too many <u>to</u> declare.

Glory be to the Father and <u>to</u> the Son and to the Holy <u>Spirit</u>,

as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Refrain

Psalm Prayer

Lord Jesus, when the difficulties of life become more than we can bear and we find ourselves sinking into despair, put our feet back on the rock of your righteousness. You obeyed your Father's will on our behalf. When Satan would lead us to despair, give us confidence to cry, "My Savior lived and died for me!" In his name we pray. Amen.

Passion Reading

Luke 23:26-56

²⁶As the soldiers led him away, they seized Simon from Cyrene, who was on his way in from the country, and put the cross on him and made him carry it behind Jesus. ²⁷A large number of people followed him, including women who mourned and wailed for him. ²⁸Jesus turned and said to them, "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me; weep for yourselves and for your children. ²⁹For the time will come when you will say, 'Blessed are the childless women, the wombs that never bore and the breasts that never nursed!' ³⁰Then

"'they will say to the mountains, "Fall on us!" and to the hills, "Cover us!"

³¹For if people do these things when the tree is green, what will happen when it is dry?"

³²Two other men, both criminals, were also led out with him to be executed. ³³When they came to the place called the Skull, they crucified him there, along with the criminals—one on his right, the other on his left. ³⁴Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing." And they divided up his clothes by casting lots.

³⁵The people stood watching, and the rulers even sneered at him. They said, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is God's Messiah, the Chosen One."

³⁶The soldiers also came up and mocked him. They offered him wine vinegar ³⁷and said, "If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself."

³⁸There was a written notice above him, which read: this is the king of the jews.

³⁹One of the criminals who hung there hurled insults at him: "Aren't you the Messiah? Save yourself and us!"

⁴⁰But the other criminal rebuked him. "Don't you fear God," he said, "since you are under the same sentence? ⁴¹We are punished justly, for we are getting what our deeds deserve. But this man has done nothing wrong."

⁴²Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."

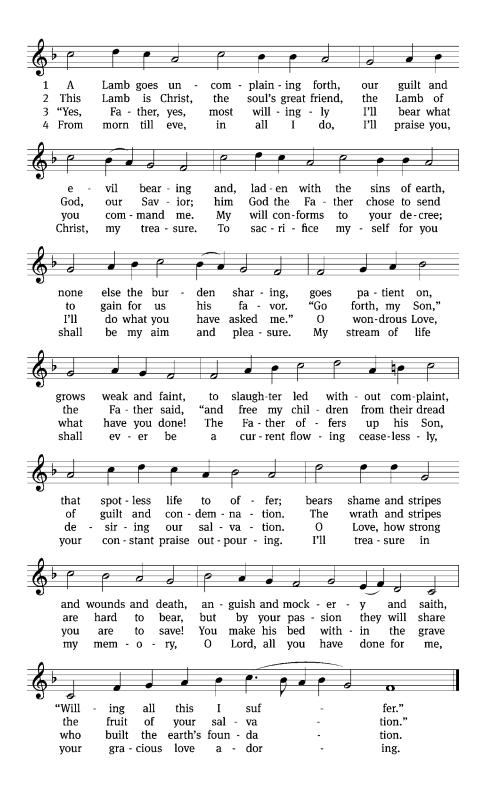
⁴³Jesus answered him, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise."

⁴⁴It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, ⁴⁵for the sun stopped shining. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two. ⁴⁶Jesus called out with a loud voice, "Father, into your hands I commit my spirit." When he had said this, he breathed his last.

⁴⁷The centurion, seeing what had happened, praised God and said, "Surely this was a righteous man." ⁴⁸When all the people who had gathered to witness this sight saw what took place, they beat their breasts and went away. ⁴⁹But all those who knew him, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things.

⁵⁰Now there was a man named Joseph, a member of the Council, a good and upright man, ⁵¹who had not consented to their decision and action. He came from the Judean town of Arimathea, and he himself was waiting for the kingdom of God. ⁵²Going to Pilate, he asked for Jesus' body. ⁵³Then he took it down, wrapped it in linen cloth and placed it in a tomb cut in the rock, one in which no one had yet been laid. ⁵⁴It was Preparation Day, and the Sabbath was about to begin.

⁵⁵The women who had come with Jesus from Galilee followed Joseph and saw the tomb and how his body was laid in it. ⁵⁶Then they went home and prepared spices and perfumes. But they rested on the Sabbath in obedience to the commandment.



Sermon John 18:12

¹²Then the detachment of soldiers with its commander and the Jewish officials arrested Jesus. They bound him

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Offering

Prayer

Abide with us, Lord, for it is evening and the day is almost over. Abide with us and with your whole Church. Abide with us in the evening of the day, in the evening of life, in the evening of the world. Abide with us in your grace and goodness, in your holy Word and sacrament, in your comfort and blessing. Abide with us when we are overcome by the night of sorrow and fear, by the night of doubt and affliction, by the night of bitter death. Abide with us and with all your people in time and in eternity.

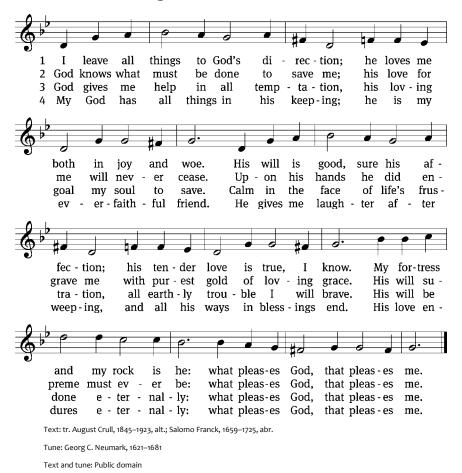
Amen.

Lord's Prayer

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.

Blessing

May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face shine on us. May God bless us still, so that all the ends of the earth will fear him.



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Welcome to Our Savior's Welcome to worship, especially our guests! May God bless your time with us richly.

Sincere Thanks We thank Pastor Andrew Buschkopf from Mountain of the Lord for leading today's worship. Next week Pastor Walter Davidson will lead our Holy Week worship.

Holy Week Schedule

Maundy Thursday (4/14) Worship with Communion at 1:00 & 6:30 PM

Good Friday (4/15) Worship at 1:00 & 6:30 PM

Easter Sunday (4/17) Easter Worship at 8:00 AM Fellowship hour to follow

Good Friday Service Times Please note that the services on Good Friday will be at 1:00 & 6:30 pm and will be the same service with a Tenebrae type theme.

Easter Breakfast Following our Easter Sunday worship, the Ladies' Aid will serve a light breakfast in the school cafeteria while we enjoy some fellowship time together. Please join us! We thank Thrivent for providing funds for the treats.



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