

The Crucial Hours

“They Bound Him”

Midweek Lent – April 6, 2022

Opening Hymn - 525 *The Lamb*

CW 525

Verses 1-3: Students

v. 4 : Men

v. 5: Women

All join on the refrain



1 The Lamb, the Lamb, O Fa - ther, where's the sac - ri - fice?
2 The Lamb, the Lamb, one per - fect fi - nal of - fer - ing.
3 The Lamb, the Lamb, as way - ward sheep their shep - herd kill
4 He sighs, he dies, he takes my sin and wretch - ed - ness.
5 He rose, he rose, my heart with thanks now o - ver - flows.



Faith sees, be - lieves God will pro - vide the Lamb of price!
The Lamb, the Lamb, let earth join heav'n his praise to sing.
so still, his will, on our be - half the law to fill.
He lives, for - gives, he gives me his own right - eous - ness.
His song pro - long till ev - 'ry heart to him be - long.

Refrain



Wor - thy is the Lamb whose death makes me his



own! The Lamb is reign - ing on his throne.

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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

Refrain



O Lord, my God, man-y are the won-ders you have done.

Psalm Tone



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

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

For troubles without number surround me;
my sins have overtaken me, and I cannot see.

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

Be pleased, O LORD, to save me;
O LORD, come quickly to help me.

Refrain

I waited patiently for the LORD;
he turned to me and heard 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 LORD his trust,
who does not look to the proud, to those who turn aside to false gods.

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

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

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit,**

**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.



1 A Lamb goes un - com - plain - ing forth, our guilt and
 2 This Lamb is Christ, the soul's great friend, the Lamb of
 3 "Yes, Fa - ther, yes, most will - ing - ly I'll bear what
 4 From morn till eve, in all I do, I'll praise you,



e - vil bear - ing and, lad - en with the sins of earth,
 God, our Sav - ior; him God the Fa - ther chose to send
 you com - mand me. My will con - forms to your de - cree;
 Christ, my trea - sure. To sac - ri - fice my - self for you



none else the bur - den shar - ing, goes pa - tient on,
 to gain for us his fa - vor. "Go forth, my Son,"
 I'll do what you have asked me." O won - drous Love,
 shall be my aim and plea - sure. My stream of life



grows weak and faint, to slaugh - ter led with - out com - plaint,
 the Fa - ther said, "and free my chil - dren from their dread
 what have you done! The Fa - ther of - fers up his Son,
 shall ev - er be a cur - rent flow - ing cease - less - ly,



that spot - less life to of - fer; bears shame and stripes
 of guilt and con - dem - na - tion. The wrath and stripes
 de - sir - ing our sal - va - tion. O Love, how strong
 your con - stant praise out - pour - ing, I'll trea - sure in



and wounds and death, an - guish and mock - er - y and saith,
 are hard to bear, but by your pas - sion they will share
 you are to save! You make his bed with - in the grave
 my mem - o - ry, O Lord, all you have done for me,



"Will - ing all this I suf - fer."
 the fruit of your sal - va - tion."
 who built the earth's foun - da - tion.
 your gra - cious love a - dor - ing.

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.

799 I Leave All Things to God's Direction

CW 799



1 I leave all things to God's di - rec - tion; he loves me
2 God knows what must be done to save me; his love for
3 God gives me help in all temp - ta - tion, his lov - ing
4 My God has all things in his keep - ing; he is my



both in joy and woe. His will is good, sure his af -
me will nev - er cease. Up - on his hands he did en -
goal my soul to save. Calm in the face of life's frus -
ev - er - faith - ful friend. He gives me laugh - ter af - ter



fec - tion; his ten - der love is true, I know. My for - tress
grave me with pur - est gold of lov - ing grace. His will su -
tra - tion, all earth - ly trou - ble I will brave. His will be
weep - ing, and all his ways in bless - ings end. His love en -



and my rock is he: what pleas - es God, that pleas - es me.
preme must ev - er be: what pleas - es God, that pleas - es me.
done e - ter - nal - ly: what pleas - es God, that pleas - es me.
dures e - ter - nal - ly: what pleas - es God, that pleas - es me.

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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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