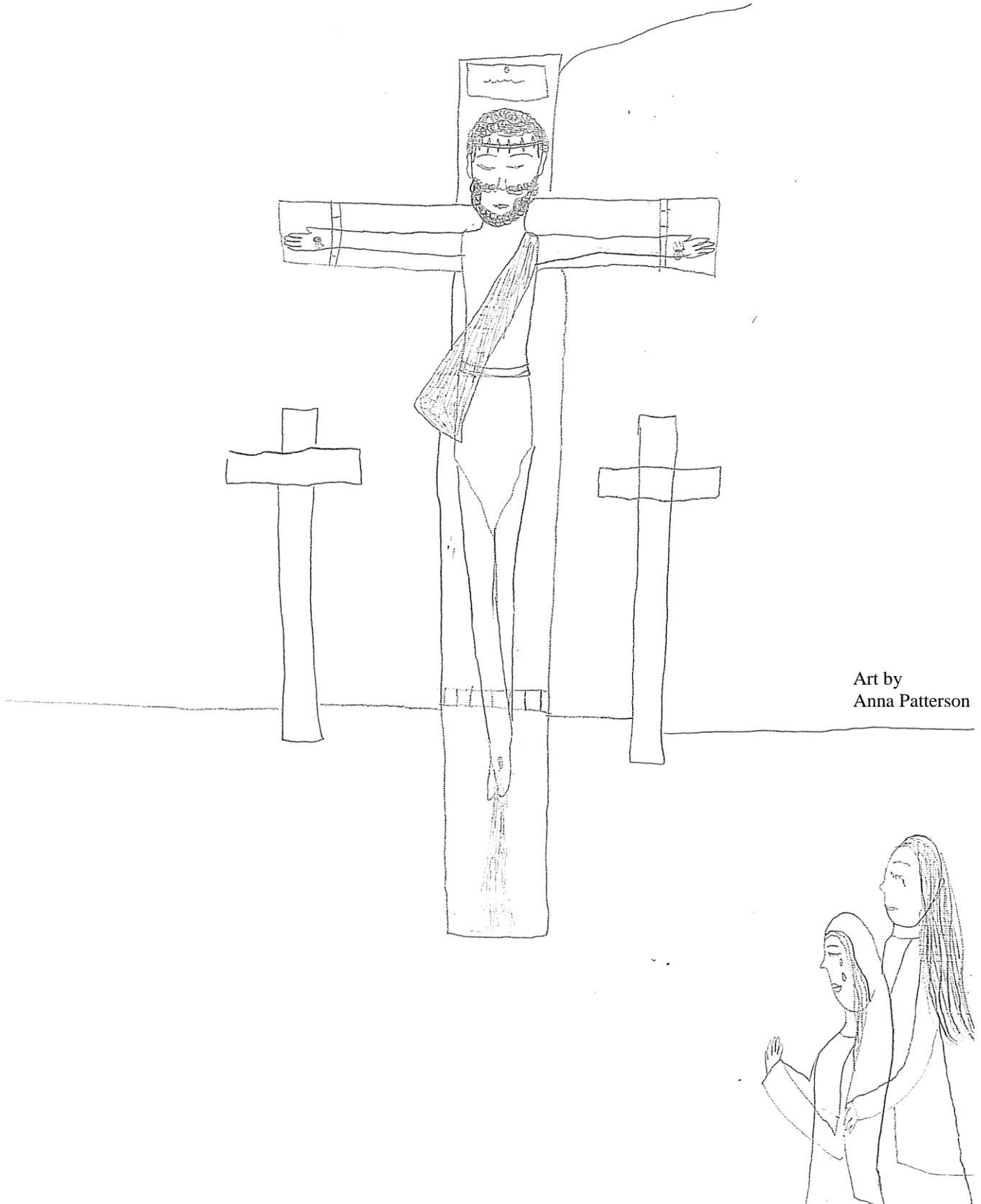


GOOD FRIDAY, April 14th, 2017
Service of Light and Darkness
Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Lena, Illinois



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Gathering *All gather in silence. The assembly stands when the ministers stand.*

Prayer of the Day:

Almighty God, look with loving mercy on your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, to be given over to the hands of sinners, and to suffer death on the cross; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **Amen.**

Reading Isaiah 52:13—53:12

Psalm 22

¹My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Why so far from saving me, so far from the words of my groaning?

²**My God, I cry out by day, but you do not answer; by night, but I find no rest.**

³Yet you are the Holy One, enthroned on the praises of Israel.

⁴**Our ancestors put their trust in you, they trusted, and you rescued them.**

⁵They cried out to you and were delivered; they trusted in you and were not put to shame.

⁶**But as for me, I am a worm and not human, scorned by all and despised by the people.**

⁷All who see me laugh me to scorn; they curl their lips; they shake their heads.

⁸**“Trust in the LORD; let the LORD deliver; let God rescue him if God so delights in him.”**

⁹Yet you are the one who drew me forth from the womb, and kept me safe on my mother’s breast.

¹⁰**I have been entrusted to you ever since I was born; you were my God when I was still in my mother’s womb.**

¹¹Be not far from me, for trouble is near, and there is no one to help.

¹²**Many young bulls encircle me; strong bulls of Bashan surround me.**

¹³They open wide their jaws at me, like a slashing and roaring lion.

¹⁴**I am poured out like water; all my bones are out of joint; my heart within my breast is melting wax.**

¹⁵My strength is dried up like a potsherd; my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth; and you have laid me in the dust of death.

¹⁶**Packs of dogs close me in, a band of evildoers circles round me; they pierce my hands and my feet.**

¹⁷I can count all my bones while they stare at me and gloat.

¹⁸**They divide my garments among them; for my clothing, they cast lots.**

¹⁹But you, O LORD, be not far away; O my help, hasten to my aid.

²⁰**Deliver me from the sword, my life from the power of the dog.**

²¹Save me from the lion’s mouth! From the horns of wild bulls you have rescued me.

²²**I will declare your name to my people; in the midst of the assembly I will praise you.**

²³You who fear the LORD, give praise! All you of Jacob’s line, give glory. Stand in awe of the LORD, all you offspring of Israel.

²⁴**For the LORD does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty; neither is the LORD’s face hidden from them; but when they cry out, the LORD hears them.**

²⁵From you comes my praise in the great assembly; I will perform my vows in the sight of those who fear the LORD.

²⁶**The poor shall eat and be satisfied, Let those who seek the LORD give praise! May your hearts live forever!**

²⁷All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD; all the families of nations shall bow before God.

²⁸**For dominion belongs to the LORD, who rules over the nations.**

²⁹Indeed, all who sleep in the earth shall bow down in worship; all who go down to the dust, though they be dead, shall kneel before the LORD.

³⁰**Their descendants shall serve the LORD, whom they shall proclaim to generations to come.**

³¹They shall proclaim God's deliverance to a people yet unborn, saying to them, "The LORD has acted

The Passion According to St. John

John 18:1-11 (*First candle may be extinguished.*)

ELW #345 Jesus, I will ponder now

John 18:12-27 (*Second candle may be extinguished.*)

ELW# 351 O sacred head, now wounded, versus 1-2

John 18:28-40 (*Third candle may be extinguished.*)

ELW# 351 O sacred head, now wounded, versus 3-4

John 19:1-7 (*Fourth candle may be extinguished.*)

ELW#349 Ah, Holy Jesus, versus 1-2

John 19:8-16a (*Fifth candle may be extinguished.*)

ELW#349 Ah, holy Jesus, versus 3-5

John 19:16b-22 (*Sixth candle may be extinguished.*)

ELW#803 When I survey the Wondrous Cross, versus 1-2

John 19:23-30 (*Seventh candle may be extinguished.*)

ELW#803 When I survey the Wondrous Cross, versus 3-4

John 19:31-42 (*Eighth candle may be extinguished.*)

ELW#353 Were you there

Meditation "Story of a Cross" by Susan D. Gordon

Silence for reflection follows.

Bidding Prayer

Silence for prayer follows each bid. At the conclusion of each prayer, "...through Christ our Lord," the assembly responds Amen.

P: Finally, let us pray for all those things for which our Lord would have us ask.

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

What Wondrous Love Is This

ELW #666

P: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

C: By your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

All depart in silence.