



Good Friday

Friday, April 3, 2015

6:30pm

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All gather in silence.....

Prayer of the Day.....

A: Merciful God,

your Son was lifted up on the cross to draw all people to himself.

Grant that we who have been born out of his wounded side may at all times find mercy in him, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen

First Lesson.....Isaiah 52:13-53:12

The fourth servant poem promises ultimate vindication for the servant, who made his life an offering for sin. The early church saw in the servant's pouring himself out to death and being numbered with the transgressors important keys for understanding the death of Jesus.

Chapter 52

¹³See, my servant shall prosper;

he shall be exalted and lifted up,
and shall be very high.

¹⁴Just as there were many who were astonished at him

— so marred was his appearance, beyond human semblance,
and his form beyond that of mortals —

¹⁵so he shall startle many nations;

kings shall shut their mouths because of him;
for that which had not been told them they shall see,
and that which they had not heard they shall contemplate.

Chapter 53

Who has believed what we have heard?

And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?

²For he grew up before him like a young plant,
and like a root out of dry ground;

he had no form or majesty that we should look at him,
nothing in his appearance that we should desire him.

³He was despised and rejected by others;

a man of suffering and acquainted with infirmity;
and as one from whom others hide their faces
he was despised, and we held him of no account.

⁴Surely he has borne our infirmities

and carried our diseases;
yet we accounted him stricken,
struck down by God, and afflicted.

⁵But he was wounded for our transgressions,

crushed for our iniquities;
upon him was the punishment that made us whole,
and by his bruises we are healed.

⁶All we like sheep have gone astray;

we have all turned to our own way,
and the LORD has laid on him
the iniquity of us all.

- ⁷He was oppressed, and he was afflicted,
yet he did not open his mouth;
like a lamb that is led to the slaughter,
and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent,
so he did not open his mouth.
- ⁸By a perversion of justice he was taken away.
Who could have imagined his future?
For he was cut off from the land of the living,
stricken for the transgression of my people.
- ⁹They made his grave with the wicked
and his tomb with the rich,
although he had done no violence,
and there was no deceit in his mouth.
- ¹⁰Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him with pain.
When you make his life an offering for sin,
he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days;
through him the will of the LORD shall prosper.
- ¹¹Out of his anguish he shall see light;
he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge.
The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous,
and he shall bear their iniquities.
- ¹²Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great,
and he shall divide the spoil with the strong;
because he poured out himself to death,
and was numbered with the transgressors;
yet he bore the sin of many,
and made intercession for the transgressors.

Lector: Word of God, Word of Life.

Congregational Response: Thanks be to God.

Second Lesson.....Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9
In his death Jesus functions as great high priest who experiences temptation and suffering in order that we would receive mercy and find grace, because he is the source of true salvation.

Chapter 4

¹⁴Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. ¹⁵For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. ¹⁶Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Chapter 5

⁷In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. ⁸Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; ⁹and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him.

Lector: Word of God, Word of Life.

Congregational Response: Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Acclamation.....

Congregation: Look to Jesus, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God. (Heb. 12:2)

The Passion according to St. John, Part one:.....John 18:1-11

After Jesus had spoken these words, he went out with his disciples across the Kidron valley to a place where there was a garden, which he and his disciples entered. ²Now Judas, who betrayed him, also knew the place, because Jesus often met there with his disciples. ³So Judas brought a detachment of soldiers together with police from the chief priests and the Pharisees, and they came there with lanterns and torches and weapons. ⁴Then Jesus, knowing all that was to happen to him, came forward and asked them, "Whom are you looking for?" ⁵They answered, "Jesus of Nazareth." Jesus replied, "I am he." Judas, who betrayed him, was standing with them. ⁶When Jesus said to them, "I am he," they stepped back and fell to the ground. ⁷Again he asked them, "Whom are you looking for?" And they said, "Jesus of Nazareth." ⁸Jesus answered, "I told you that I am he. So if you are looking for me, let these men go." ⁹This was to fulfill the word that he had spoken, "I did not lose a single one of those whom you gave me." ¹⁰Then Simon Peter, who had a sword, drew it, struck the high priest's slave, and cut off his right ear. The slave's name was Malchus. ¹¹Jesus said to Peter, "Put your sword back into its sheath. Am I not to drink the cup that the Father has given me?"

First candles may be extinguished.

Hymn..... "*Jesus, I Will Ponder Now*".....#345 verses 1-2

The Passion According to St. John, Part two:.....John 18:12-27

¹²So the soldiers, their officer, and the Jewish police arrested Jesus and bound him. ¹³First they took him to Annas, who was the father-in-law of Caiaphas, the high priest that year. ¹⁴Caiaphas was the one who had advised the Jews that it was better to have one person die for the people.

¹⁵Simon Peter and another disciple followed Jesus. Since that disciple was known to the high priest, he went with Jesus into the courtyard of the high priest, ¹⁶but Peter was standing outside at the gate. So the other disciple, who was known to the high priest, went out, spoke to the woman who guarded the gate, and brought Peter in. ¹⁷The woman said to Peter, "You are not also one of this man's disciples, are you?" He said, "I am not." ¹⁸Now the slaves and the police had made a charcoal fire because it was cold, and they were standing around it and warming themselves. Peter also was standing with them and warming himself.

¹⁹Then the high priest questioned Jesus about his disciples and about his teaching. ²⁰Jesus answered, "I have spoken openly to the world; I have always taught in synagogues and in the temple, where all the Jews come together. I have said nothing in secret. ²¹Why do you ask me? Ask those who heard what I said to them; they know what I said." ²²When he had said this, one of the police standing nearby struck Jesus on the face, saying, "Is that how you answer the high priest?" ²³Jesus answered, "If I have spoken wrongly, testify to the wrong. But if I have spoken rightly, why do you strike me?" ²⁴Then Annas sent him bound to Caiaphas the high priest.

²⁵Now Simon Peter was standing and warming himself. They asked him, "You are not also one of his disciples, are you?" He denied it and said, "I am not." ²⁶One of the slaves of the high priest, a relative of the man whose ear Peter had cut off, asked, "Did I not see you in the garden with him?" ²⁷Again Peter denied it, and at that moment the cock crowed.

Second candles may be extinguished.

Hymn..... "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded".....#351 verses 1-2

The Passion according to St. John, Part Three:.....John 18:28-40

²⁸Then they took Jesus from Caiaphas to Pilate's headquarters. It was early in the morning. They themselves did not enter the headquarters, so as to avoid ritual defilement and to be able to eat the Passover. ²⁹So Pilate went out to them and said, "What accusation do you bring against this man?" ³⁰They answered, "If this man were not a criminal, we would not have handed him over to you." ³¹Pilate said to them, "Take him yourselves and judge him according to your law." The Jews replied, "We are not permitted to put anyone to death." ³²(This was to fulfill what Jesus had said when he indicated the kind of death he was to die.)

³³Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" ³⁴Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" ³⁵Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" ³⁶Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." ³⁷Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice." ³⁸Pilate asked him, "What is truth?"

After he had said this, he went out to the Jews again and told them, "I find no case against him." ³⁹But you have a custom that I release someone for you at the Passover. Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?" ⁴⁰They shouted in reply, "Not this man, but Barabbas!" Now Barabbas was a bandit.

Third candles may be extinguished.

Hymn..... "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded".....#351 verses 3-4

The Passion According to St. John, Part Four:.....John 19:1-7

Then Pilate took Jesus and had him flogged. ²And the soldiers wove a crown of thorns and put it on his head, and they dressed him in a purple robe. ³They kept coming up to him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!" and striking him on the face. ⁴Pilate went out again and said to them, "Look, I am bringing him out to you to let you know that I find no case against him." ⁵So Jesus came out, wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe. Pilate said to them, "Here is the man!" ⁶When the chief priests and the police saw him, they shouted, "Crucify him! Crucify him!" Pilate said to them, "Take him yourselves and crucify him; I find no case against him." ⁷The Jews answered him, "We have a law, and according to that law he ought to die because he has claimed to be the Son of God."

Fourth candles may be extinguished.

Hymn..... "Ah, Holy Jesus"#349 verse 1

The Passion According to St. John, Part Five:.....John 19:8-16a

⁸Now when Pilate heard this, he was more afraid than ever. ⁹He entered his headquarters again and asked Jesus, "Where are you from?" But Jesus gave him no answer. ¹⁰Pilate therefore said to him, "Do you refuse to speak to me? Do you not know that I have power to release you, and power to crucify you?" ¹¹Jesus answered him, "You would have no power over me unless it had been given you from above; therefore the one who handed me over to you is guilty of a greater sin." ¹²From then on Pilate tried to release him, but the Jews cried out, "If you release this man, you are no friend of the emperor. Everyone who claims to be a king sets himself against the emperor."

¹³When Pilate heard these words, he brought Jesus outside and sat on the judge's bench at a place called The Stone Pavement, or in Hebrew Gabbatha. ¹⁴Now it was the day of Preparation for the Passover; and it was about noon. He said to the Jews, "Here is your King!" ¹⁵They cried out, "Away with him! Away with him! Crucify him!" Pilate asked them, "Shall I crucify your King?" The chief priests answered, "We have no king but the emperor." ¹⁶Then he handed him over to them to be crucified.

Fifth candles may be extinguished.

Hymn..... "Ah, Holy Jesus"#349 verses 2-3

The Passion According to St. John, Part Six;.....John 19:16b-22

^{16b}So they took Jesus; ¹⁷and carrying the cross by himself, he went out to what is called The Place of the Skull, which in Hebrew is called Golgotha. ¹⁸There they crucified him, and with him two others, one on either side, with Jesus between them. ¹⁹Pilate also had an inscription written and put on the cross. It read, "Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews." ²⁰Many of the Jews read this inscription, because the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city; and it was written in Hebrew, in Latin, and in Greek. ²¹Then the chief priests of the Jews said to Pilate, "Do not write, 'The King of the Jews,' but, 'This man said, I am King of the Jews.'" ²²Pilate answered, "What I have written I have written."

Sixth candles may be extinguished.

Hymn..... "Ah, Holy Jesus"#349 verses 4-5

The Passion According to St. John, Part Seven:.....John 19:23-30

²³When the soldiers had crucified Jesus, they took his clothes and divided them into four parts, one for each soldier. They also took his tunic; now the tunic was seamless, woven in one piece from the top. ²⁴So they said to one another, "Let us not tear it, but cast lots for it to see who will get it." This was to fulfill what the scripture says,

"They divided my clothes among themselves,
and for my clothing they cast lots."

²⁵And that is what the soldiers did.

Meanwhile, standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene.

²⁶When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing

beside her, he said to his mother, "Woman, here is your son." ²⁷Then he said to the disciple, "Here is your mother." And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

²⁸After this, when Jesus knew that all was now finished, he said (in order to fulfill the scripture), "I am thirsty." ²⁹A jar full of sour wine was standing there. So they put a sponge full of the wine on a branch of hyssop and held it to his mouth. ³⁰When Jesus had received the wine, he said, "It is finished." Then he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

Seventh candle may be extinguished.

Hymn..... "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross".....#803

The Passion According to St. John, Part Eight:.....John 19:31-42

³¹Since it was the day of Preparation, the Jews did not want the bodies left on the cross during the sabbath, especially because that sabbath was a day of great solemnity. So they asked Pilate to have the legs of the crucified men broken and the bodies removed. ³²Then the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first and of the other who had been crucified with him. ³³But when they came to Jesus and saw that he was already dead, they did not break his legs. ³⁴Instead, one of the soldiers pierced his side with a spear, and at once blood and water came out. ³⁵(He who saw this has testified so that you also may believe. His testimony is true, and he knows that he tells the truth.) ³⁶These things occurred so that the scripture might be fulfilled, "None of his bones shall be broken." ³⁷And again another passage of scripture says, "They will look on the one whom they have pierced."

³⁸After these things, Joseph of Arimathea, who was a disciple of Jesus, though a secret one because of his fear of the Jews, asked Pilate to let him take away the body of Jesus. Pilate gave him permission; so he came and removed his body. ³⁹Nicodemus, who had at first come to Jesus by night, also came, bringing a mixture of myrrh and aloes, weighing about a hundred pounds. ⁴⁰They took the body of Jesus and wrapped it with the spices in linen cloths, according to the burial custom of the Jews. ⁴¹Now there was a garden in the place where he was crucified, and in the garden there was a new tomb in which no one had ever been laid. ⁴²And so, because it was the Jewish day of Preparation, and the tomb was nearby, they laid Jesus there.

Eighth candle may be extinguished.

Meditation.....Pastor Miranda Klosterboer

Hymn..... "Were You There".....#353

Offering.....Jesse Klosterboer

Bidding Prayer.....Page 263

The assembly kneels or sits. The assisting minister leads the invitations to prayer (the bids). Silence for prayer follows each bid. The presiding minister leads the prayers that conclude the silence.

Assisting Minister: Let us pray...

Pastor: Almighty and eternal God....

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Congregation: Amen.

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

The Lords Prayer.....

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed by 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 power, and glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

Procession of the Cross.....Page 264

*A large cross is carried in procession through the church
and placed before the assembly. The assembly stands
and faces the cross as it is brought forward.*

The following dialogue is said three times throughout the procession:

Pastor: Behold the life-giving cross,
on which was hung the Savior of the whole world.

Congregation: **Oh, come, let us worship him.**

Solemn Reproaches.....Page 265 and Hymn #161

Pastor: O my people, O my church, what have I done to you?...
...but you have prepared a cross for your Savior.

Congregation: **Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal,
Have mercy on us. (ELW Hymn #161)**

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

Congregation: **By your holy cross you have redeemed the world.**

All depart in silence.

*During this time you may come to the cross to make a sign of reverence.
Reverencing the cross may include actions such as pausing before the cross,
bowing, kneeling before it for prayer, or touching it.*

~ *Worship Assistants* ~

Pastor ~ Pastor Miranda Klosterboer
Assistant Minister ~ Jesse Klosterboer
Acolyte ~ Coltin Coonts
Lector ~ Marybeth Brinker
Ushers ~ Virgil and Joanne Martin, Paul and Shirley Fox
Greeter ~ Lee Wenzel, Jean Wenzel, Willie Kayser
Sound ~ Wayne Kurth
Organist ~ Karen Niemeier
Special Music ~ Jesse Klosterboer

~ *Prayer Requests* ~

Thanksgiving to God for...

-Good Shepherd Lutheran Church's mission and ministry.

God's guidance and direction for...

-For peace in Afghanistan, Iraq, Syria and among all the nations of the world.

God's protection and safety for those being deployed...

- Please remember all our veterans. Give them all God's comfort in their memories of war and service to their country.

Healing and health concerns...

Ellen Betty Lynn Meyers Roger
Steve Gray Jon Forsythe Donna Eulers Brenda's family
Kerry and family

We pray for those who are confined to their homes or health care centers...

Eugene Alice Dorothy Gladys Evelyn
Verl Steve Laura Lois Dorothy

Please note: If you have a prayer request and want it put in the bulletin, please write it down on the Welcome to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Friendship Pads or notify the office before noon on Wednesday. Prayer requests will remain for 4 weeks unless otherwise requested. Please continue to pray for those who have been removed.

~ Calendar of Events~

Friday April 3, 2015

6:30pm Good Friday Service

Saturday April 4, 2015

4:00 pm Youth and Children prepare for Easter Breakfast

Sunday April 5, 2015

7:00am **Easter Sunrise Service** with Holy Communion

8:00am *Easter Breakfast*

9:30 am **Easter Festival Service** with Holy Communion

Tuesday April 7, 2015

1:00pm Faith Circle Bible Study at Lena Living Center

Wednesday April 8, 2015

8am-11:30am Piece Corps Quilters

3:30 pm Afterschool Program at the Hangout

Thursday April 9, 2015

12:00pm Friendship Club Potluck and Entertainment with
"Bobby Edler"

Sunday April 12, 2015

9:30am Worship with Holy Communion/
Preschool & Kindergarten Sunday School after
Children's Message

10:30am Fellowship

10:45am Sunday School

11:00am Choir Practice

12:00 pm Sunday School Teacher Meeting

5:00pm Chime Practice

Easter Sunday Services April 5, 2015

Join us for celebratory services as we worship our Risen Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We will process singing "Jesus Christ is Risen Today" and hear the testimony of the Resurrection of Jesus Christ as recorded in the Gospel of Mark. The hymns will be accompanied by brass and organ.

Sunday April 5, 2015,

7:00 am Easter Sunrise Service

8:00 am Easter Breakfast

9:30 am Easter Festival Service

Northern Illinois Synod NW Conference

Spring 2015 Gathering:

Soup and Sandwich at Christ Lutheran in Stockton Thursday April 23rd at 6pm. For lay members, Synod Assembly, congregation representatives, and pastors with presenter Jesse Klosterboer from LOMC

Summer 2015 Mission Trip to Pine Ridge Indian Reservation

Dates: August 7th to August 15th

We are in the process of forming our team for this year's Good Shepherd Mission Trip. We will be going to the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in South Dakota, as we did in 2013. We will work with Pastor Karen at the Pine Ridge Retreat Center as she serves as a mission outpost of service, pastoral ministry, meeting basic needs, offering a Sanctuary for kids to come after school, offering a sandwich ministry at lunchtime, and organizing cultural learning and service in the community with groups that come to learn and serve. The Pine Ridge Retreat center is a Lutheran Lakota Shared Ministry. I encourage you to pray about going yourself and/or about inviting a friend to join you. Consider joining this year's team and see what God will do in and through you! If you are interested contact Pastor Miranda 815-291-5793. Financial Assistance is available.

Scholarship Applications

Scholarship applications can now be picked up at the church office.

Applications must be filled out and returned by April 30, 2015

SAVE THE DATE for YOUTH SUNDAY April 26th at 9:30am

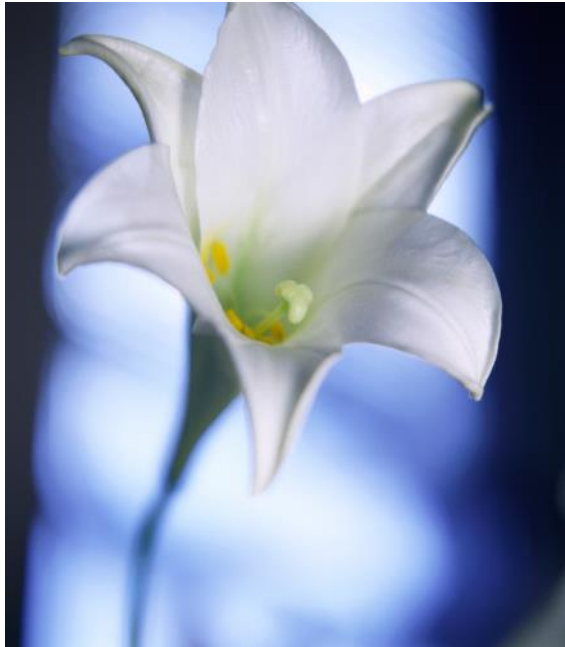
Good Shepherd Youth will plan and lead worship on April 26th.

The youth and children will be planning and preparing during Sunday School and Confirmation.

High School Youth and Young Adults will also be helping to choose music and share the message.

Youth Lock-In at Good Shepherd for 6th- 12th Grades will be postponed.

The Lena United Methodist Church was not able to team with us, and we did not have enough youth signed up. Watch for information about upcoming High School Events (see newsletter) and summer Wild Wednesdays and plan to join in the fun of Youth Sunday April 26th!



Easter Sunday Services

<i>Sunrise Service</i>	<i>7:00 am</i>
<i>Easter Breakfast</i>	<i>8:00 am</i>
<i>Festival Service</i>	<i>9:30 am</i>