



*For God so loved
the world that he
gave his one and
only Son ...*

John 3:16

Trinity Lutheran Church

Noon & 7:00 pm

Friday, April 3rd, 2026

Pastor David Nissen

GOOD FRIDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

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Please Enter in Silence: Out of profound respect for the meaning of this day, you are requested to maintain the Discipline of Silence as a prelude to our worship. Thank you.

Silence

Prayer

Lord Jesus, you carried our sins in your own body on the tree so that we might have life. May we all who remember this day find new life in you now and in the world to come, where you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

HYMN

Jesus, Remember Me

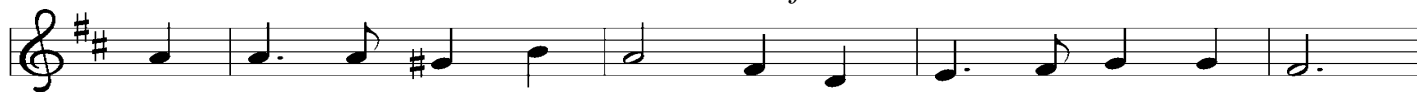
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ISAIAH 2:2-5

In days to come the mountain of the LORD's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. Many peoples shall come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the LORD!



1 Be - neath the cross of Je - sus I long to take my stand;
 2 Up - on the cross of Je - sus, my eye at times can see
 3 I take, O cross, your shad - ow for my a - bid - ing place;



the shad - ow of a might - y rock with - in a wea - ry land,
 the ver - y dy - ing form of one who suf - fered there for me.
 I ask no oth - er sun - shine than the sun - shine of his face;



a home with - in a wil - der - ness, a rest up - on the way,
 And from my con - trite heart, with tears, two won - ders I con - fess:
 con - tent to let the world go by, to know no gain nor loss,



from the burn - ing of the noon - tide heat and bur - dens of the day.
 the . . . won - der of his glo - rious love and my un - wor - thi - ness.
 my . . . sin - ful self my on - ly shame, my glo - ry all, the cross.

JESUS IS CONDEMNED TO DEATH

John 19:5-16

Then Pilate took Jesus and had him flogged. And the soldiers wove a crown of thorns and put it on his head, and they dressed him in a purple robe. They kept coming up to him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!" and striking him on the face. Pilate 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." So Jesus came out, wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe. Pilate said to them, "Here is the man!" When 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." The 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."

Now when Pilate heard this, he was more afraid than ever. He entered his headquarters again and asked Jesus, "Where are you from?" But Jesus gave him no answer. Pilate 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?" Jesus 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." From 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."

When 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. Now it was the day of Preparation for the Passover; and it was about noon. He said to the Jews, "Here is your King!" They 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." Then he handed him over to them to be crucified.

1 O sa - cred head, now wound - ed, with grief and shame weighed down,
 now scorn - ful - ly sur - round - ed with thorns, thine on - ly crown;
 O sa - cred head, what glo - ry, what bliss till now was thine!
 Yet, though de - spised and gor - y, I joy to call thee mine.

JESUS IS LED TO CALVARY

Mark 15:20-21

After mocking him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him out to crucify him. They compelled a passer-by, who was coming in from the country, to carry his cross; it was Simon of Cyrene, the father of Alexander and Rufus.

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

2 How pale thou art with an - guish, with sore a - buse and scorn;
 how does thy face now lan - guish, which once was bright as morn!
 Thy grief and bit - ter pas - sion were all for sin - ners' gain;
 mine, mine was the trans - gres - sion, but thine the dead - ly pain.

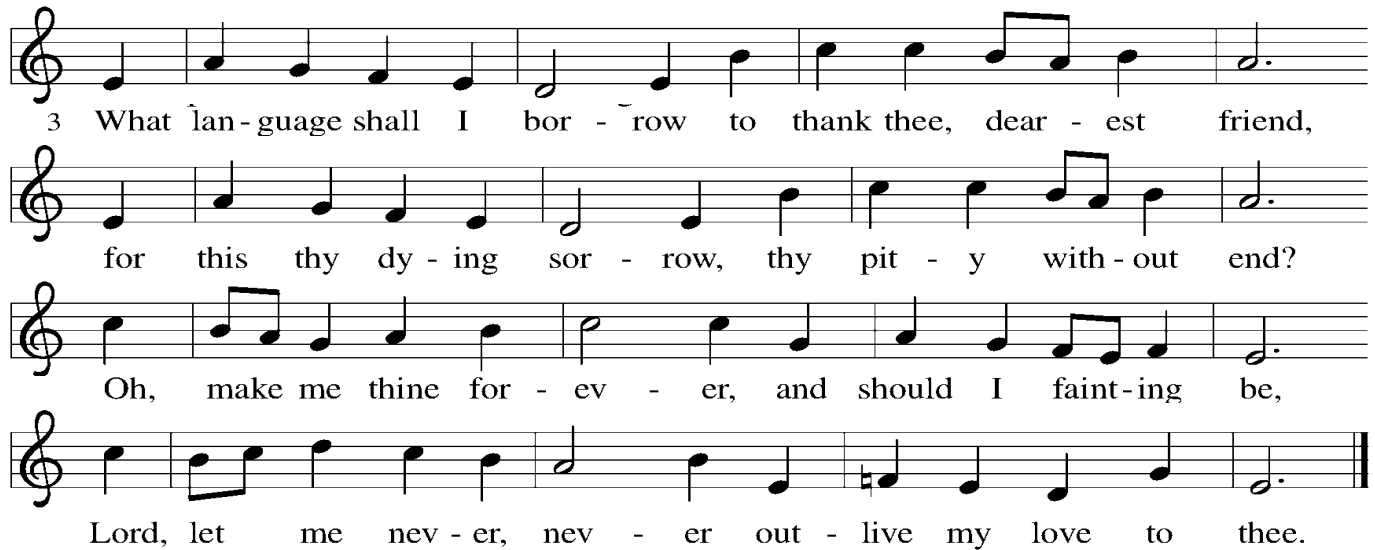
JESUS SPEAKS TO THE WOMEN

Luke 23:27-32

A great number of the people followed him, and among them were women who were beating their breasts and wailing for him. But Jesus turned to them and said, "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. For the days are surely coming when they will say, 'Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bore, and the breasts that never nursed.' Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us'; and to the hills, 'Cover us.' For if they do this when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?" Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him.



O Sacred Head, Now Wounded



3 What lan - guage shall I bor - row to thank thee, dear - est friend,
for this thy dy - ing sor - row, thy pit - y with - out end?
Oh, make me thine for - ev - er, and should I faint - ing be,
Lord, let me nev - er, nev - er out - live my love to thee.

JESUS IS STRIPPED OF HIS GARMENTS

John 19:23-25a

When 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. So 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." And 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.

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded



4 Lord, be - my con - so - la - tion; shield me when I must die;
re - mind me of thy pas - sion when my last hour draws nigh.
These eyes, new faith re - ceiv - ing, from thee shall nev - er move;
for all who die be - liev - ing die safe - ly in thy love.

JESUS IS NAILED TO THE CROSS

Mark 15:23-27

And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh; but he did not take it. And they crucified him, and divided his clothes among them, casting lots to decide what each should take. It was nine o'clock in the morning when they crucified him. The inscription of the charge against him read, "The King of the Jews." ²⁷And with him they crucified two bandits, one on his right and one on his left.

D GM⁷ D F#m

1 Your on - ly Son, no sin to hide, but you have
2 Your gift of love we cru - ci - fied. We laughed and
3 I was so lost, I should have died, but you have

Bm F#m Em⁷ D/F# GM⁷ Bm F#m

sent him from your side to walk up - on this guilt - y
scorned him as he died. The hum - ble king we named a
brought me to your side to be led by your staff and

G GM⁷ D/A GM⁷/A D *Refrain* A/C#

sod and to be - come the Lamb of God.
fraud and sac - ri - ficed the Lamb of God. O Lamb of
rod and to be called a lamb of God.

Bm A²/G D F#m Bm D/F# Em⁷ A⁷ D

God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the ho - ly Lamb of God. Oh, wash me

GM⁷ F#m⁷ Bm GM⁷ D/A GM⁷/A D

in your pre - cious blood, my Je - sus Christ, the Lamb of God.

JESUS IS MOCKED IN HIS AGONY**Matthew 27:39-44**

Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying, "You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself! If you are the Son of God, come down from the cross." In the same way the chief priests also, along with the scribes and elders, were mocking him, saying, "He saved others; he cannot save himself. He is the King of Israel; let him come down from the cross now, and we will believe in him. He trusts in God; let God deliver him now, if he wants to; for he said, 'I am God's Son.'" The bandits who were crucified with him also taunted him in the same way.

THE SOLEMN REPROACHES

O my people, O my church, what have I done to you? How have I offended you? Answer me. I led you out of slavery into freedom, and delivered you through the waters of rebirth, but you have prepared a cross for your Savior. Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal,
have mercy on us.

Oh my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you? Answer me.
Forty years I led you through the desert, feeding you with manna on the way;
I saved you from the time of trial and gave you my body, the bread of heaven,
But you have prepared a cross for your Savior. Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal,
have mercy on us.

Oh my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you? Answer me.
I led you on your way in a pillar of cloud and fire, but you led me to the judgment hall of Pilate;
I guided you by the light of the Holy Spirit, but you have prepared a cross for your Savior.
Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal,
have mercy on us.

Oh my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you? Answer me.
I planted you as my fairest vineyard, but you brought forth bitter fruit;
I made you branches of the vine and never left your side,
but you have prepared a cross for your Savior. Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal,
have mercy on us.

Oh my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you? Answer me.
I poured out saving water from the rock, but you gave me vinegar to drink;
I poured out my life and gave you the new covenant in my blood,
but you have prepared a cross for your Savior. Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal,
have mercy on us.

Oh my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you? Answer me.
I gave you a royal scepter, but you gave me a crown of thorns;
I gave you the kingdom and crowned you with eternal life,
but you have prepared a cross for your Savior. Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal,
have mercy on us.

Oh my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you? Answer me.
I struck down your enemies, but you struck my head with a reed;
I gave you my peace, but you draw the sword in my name,
but you have prepared a cross for your Savior. Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal,
have mercy on us.

Oh my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you? Answer me.
I opened the waters to lead you to the promised land, but you opened my side with a spear;
I washed your feet as a sign of my love, but you have prepared a cross for your Savior.
Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal,
have mercy on us.

Oh my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you? Answer me.
I lifted you up to the heights, but you lifted me high on a cross;
I raised you from death and prepared for you the tree of life,
but you have prepared a cross for your Savior.
Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal,
have mercy on us.

Oh my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you? Answer me.
 I grafted you into my people Israel, but you made them scapegoats for your own guilt,
 and you have prepared a cross for your Savior. Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal,
have mercy on us.

Oh my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you? Answer me.
 I came to you in the least of your brothers and sisters,
 But I was hungry and you gave me no food, thirsty and you gave me no drink,
 A stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me,
 Sick and in prison and you did not visit me,
 and you have prepared a cross for your Savior. Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal,
have mercy on us.

DARKNESS

Luke 23:44-46

It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, while the sun's light failed; and the curtain of the temple was torn in two. Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said, "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit." Having said this, he breathed his last.

REFLECTION

Pastor Dave Nissen

HYMN

Were You There

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Capo 3: C
Eb

Dm G C F C
Fm Bb Eb Ab Eb

1 Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?
 2 Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
 3 Were you there when they pierced him in the side?
 4 Were you there when the sun re - fused to shine?
 5 Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

F C G F G
Ab Eb Bb Ab Bb

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Refrain C F C F C E/G# Am F C/E F G
Eb Ab Eb Ab Eb G/B Cm Ab Eb/G Ab Bb

Oh, some-times it caus-es me to trem-ble, trem-ble, trem-ble.

F C Dm G C F C
Ab Eb Fm Bb Eb Ab Eb

Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?
 Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
 Were you there when they pierced him in the side?
 Were you there when the sun re - fused to shine?
 Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

2 Corinthians 4:6

For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

1 John 1:7

but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.

LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us pray:

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.

Matthew 27:57-60

When it was evening, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who was also a disciple of Jesus. He went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus; then Pilate ordered it to be given to him. So Joseph took the body and wrapped it in a clean linen cloth and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had hewn in the rock. He then rolled a great stone to the door of the tomb and went away.



THE STREPITUS

A loud sound is heard symbolizing the closing of the tomb. Jesus now lies in death's strong bonds. The paschal Candle will be brought back into the sanctuary on Sunday morning as a testimony to the resurrection.

"You are the light of the world. A city on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp and puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lamp stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works, and give glory to your Father in heaven." Matthew 5:14-16

Please Depart in Reverent Silence.



Our thanks and appreciation to those who have served our mid-week services by offering their preparation, ushering, and collection of the offering each week. May God bless your service!



HOLY WEEK SERVICE SCHEDULE EASTER MORNING SERVICE TIMES 6:30 & 9:00 AM



The season of Lent has ended. All Wednesday service offerings in Lent and otherwise are given to the **General Fund**. Please turn in your Quarter folders and/or film canisters. **THANK YOU** for your faithful generosity!

GREAT THANKS to all those who participated in and worked for our Lenten Suppers. Because of your help, we have raised about \$577.00 for upcoming projects here at church.



Thank you to all of our Trinity Family!

MEALS THAT MATTER With the delicious meals available in the freezer located in room 109 just off the dining room we now need your help. The meals are to be given to people who are experiencing some sort of life changing event, be it a new baby, illness, a death in the family, or anyone you think would benefit from a tasty, readymade dinner. Remember, you are the hands of Jesus in our world.



Thank you for being the hands of Jesus!



Cinnamon Rolls, Juice, and Coffee will be served by TLC youth and the Youth & Fellowship Boards from 7:30-8:45 a.m.

Remaining Rolls will be available following the 9:00 am service.



Free will offering to be used by our
Trinity Youth Projects



Trinity's Mission Statement

We are a community where Jesus is Lord: our mission is to invite, welcome, nurture, and equip all people to be disciples in His name.

TRINITY'S PRAYER CHAIN Send an email to secretary@trinitysleepyeve.org or call the office at 507 794-5051. Leave a message.

TRINITY'S WEBPAGE Send an email to the church office at secretary@trinitysleepyeve.org and let Darlene know you want your newsletter via email!

TRINITY IS NOW ON FACEBOOK
"Trinity Lutheran (ELCA) Sleepy Eye MN"

The Trinity Tidings newsletter is now also posted on www.sleepyeveonline.com watch this site for community news and events.



If you haven't already, please consider *Simply Giving*, an automated giving program for your offering. You determine the frequency of your offering which is deposited into Trinity's account the same day it is withdrawn from your account. It's a "hassle-free" way to give. Talk to Pat or Darlene if you are interested. Thank You.

Last week at Trinity

Weekly Worship Attendance:	179
Website	65
Bible Studies Attendance:	4+8=12
Church School	45
Weekly Giving: (\$6058.00 Needed)	\$5139.63
March Giving: (\$29,325.00 .Needed)	\$28,809.56

This Week's Prayer Concerns

Pray for Trinity...that the Holy Spirit would keep our Trinity family united as we continue in worship and in helping others as we are able ...

Pray for the Church...that the Holy Spirit would empower us to live in the image of God so that we would speak and act in every way bringing glory to God before all the nations and peoples with what we have been given...

Pray for our World...that pain of war, which has penetrated so many lives that your light Lord would help us to see your presence and that the Spirit would lead us to seek the truth and practice grace for all who are hurting...

Pray for all who are ill, afflicted, or recovering...that the Holy Spirit would give comfort and daily strength to **Dave, Susie, Gary, Mark, Sherry, Kali, Isak, Vivian, Kim, Pam, Pat, Beth, Harold, Rita, Paul, Ray, Lorinda, Chris, Kathy, Emmett, Joan, Lois, Joyce, Emma, Duane, Milo, Ed, Carlo, Dorothy, Tina, Ethan, Robyn, Carmen, Linette, Tammy, John, Tony, Ted, Connor, Kimora, and Mary Jo.**

Pray for the beloved... who now rest from their labors in God's mercy and for all who mourn the personal loss of loved ones...especially Diane Eckstein and her family in the loss of her sister, **Linda Strand**...that God would fill each one with the hope of our Lord's promise to bring us to a new heaven and earth where suffering, crying, pain and death will be no more....

Pray for all families...that the Holy Spirit would bring compassion and mercy to all who are separated from one another and each would give way to mercy, love and reconciliation...

Pray for the men and women serving in the Armed Forces and those far from home...for **Brady Augustin** and his wife ...and for all of our military Veterans that the Holy Spirit would guard them in safety and keep their hearts stayed in Christ...

Pray for the missionaries of our church (ELCA)...that they proclaim their witness of the Gospel throughout the world.

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GOOD

Friday

When he had
received the drink,

Jesus said,
"It is finished!"

With that, he
bowed his head
and gave up
his spirit.

John 19:30

