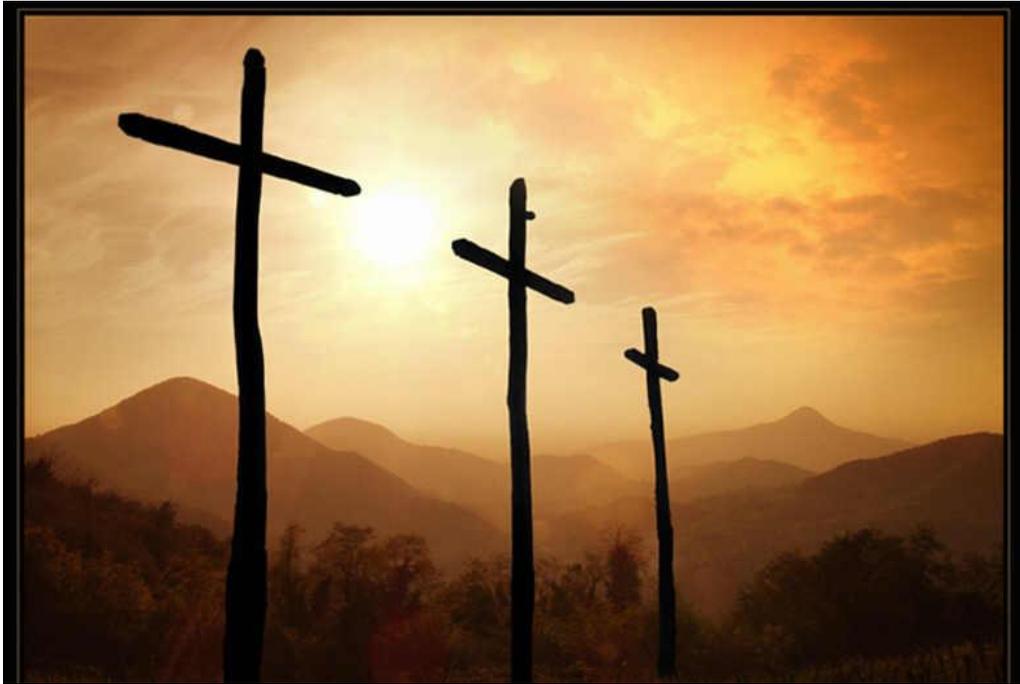


# Good Friday



**CHRIST** Lutheran Church

*"Our hope in Jesus is an anchor for the soul."* Hebrews 6:19

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*Organist: Christine Bright*

*Thank you to Choir members for singing*

M: In the name of our God, to whom all hearts are open and from whom no secrets are hidden. Amen.

**Hymn Response:**      *Oh, Perfect Life Of Love*                      138

1. ***Oh, perfect life of love! All, all is finished now,  
All that he left his throne above To do for us below.***

**C: O Lord, hear my prayer, listen to my cry for mercy,  
and in your faithfulness, come to my relief.  
Do not bring your servant into judgment,  
for no one living is righteous before you.  
Answer me quickly, O Lord; my spirit fails.  
Do not hide your face from me, for I have put my trust in you.  
Show me the way I should go,  
for to you I lift up my soul.  
Teach me to do your will, for you are my God.**

**Hymn Response**

2. ***No work is left undone Of all the Father willed;  
His toil, his sorrows, one by one, The Scriptures have fulfilled.***

**Almighty God, merciful Father,  
I, a troubled and repentant sinner,  
confess that I have sinned against you  
in my thoughts, my words, and my actions.  
I have not loved you with my whole heart.  
I have not loved others as I should.  
I am distressed by the sins that trouble me  
and am deeply sorry for them.**

**Hymn Response**

3. ***No pain that we can share But he has felt its smart;  
All forms of human grief and care Have pierced that tender heart.***

Silence for private confession

M: Jesus says to his people, "If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven." His death paid for the guilt of your sins and the sins of the whole world. Do you believe this?

C: Yes, I believe.

### *Hymn Response*

**4. *And on his thorn-crowned head And on his sinless soul  
Our sins in all their guilt were laid That he might make us whole.***

M: Because of the promise of our Savior Jesus, I forgive you all your sins. Be assured that you are a dear child of God and an heir of eternal life.

C: Amen.

### *Hymn Response*

**5. *In perfect love he dies; For me he dies, for me!  
O all-atoning Sacrifice, You died to make me free!***

**6. *In ev'ry time of need, Before the judgment throne,  
Your works, O Lamb of God, I'll plead, Your merits, not my own.***

### **PRAYER**

M: God Most Holy, look with mercy on this your family for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, be given over into the hands of the wicked, and suffer death upon the cross. Keep us always faithful to him, our only Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

**Anthem: "Where you There" (Soloist: Liesl Jordan. Piano: Christine Bright. Oboe: Katie Rasmussen)**

**PASSION HISTORY** John 18-19

**HYMN 100**

## A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth



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 says,  
 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

*Isaiah 52:13-53:12*

<sup>13</sup>Look, my servant will succeed. He will rise. He will be lifted up. He will be highly exalted. <sup>14</sup>Just as many were appalled at him—his appearance was so disfigured that he did not look like a man, and his form was disfigured more than any other person—<sup>15</sup>so he will sprinkle many nations, and kings will shut their mouths because of him, because they will see something they had never been told before, and they will understand something they had never heard before. <sup>53</sup>Who has believed our report, and to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed? <sup>2</sup>He grew up before him like a tender shoot and like a root from dry ground. He had no attractiveness and no majesty. When we saw him, nothing about his appearance made us desire him. <sup>3</sup>He was despised and rejected by men, a man who knew grief, who was well acquainted with suffering. Like someone whom people cannot bear to look at, he was despised, and we thought nothing of him. <sup>4</sup>Surely he was taking up our weaknesses, and he was carrying our sufferings. We thought it was because of God that he was stricken, smitten, and afflicted, <sup>5</sup>but it was because of our rebellion that he was pierced. He was crushed for the guilt our sins deserved. The punishment that brought us peace was upon him, and by his wounds we are healed. <sup>6</sup>We all have gone astray like sheep. Each of us has turned to his own way, but the LORD has charged all our guilt to him. <sup>7</sup>He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth. Like a lamb he was led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that is silent in front of its shearers, he did not open his mouth. <sup>8</sup>He was taken away without a fair trial and without justice, and of his generation, who even cared? So, he was cut off from the land of the living. He was struck because of the rebellion of my people. <sup>9</sup>They would have assigned him a grave with the wicked, but he was given a grave with the rich in his death, because he had done no violence, and no deceit was in his mouth. <sup>10</sup>Yet it was the LORD's will to crush him and to allow him to suffer. Because you made his life a guilt offering, he will see offspring. He will prolong his days, and the LORD's gracious plan will succeed in his hand. <sup>11</sup>After his soul experiences anguish, he will see the light of life. He will provide satisfaction. Through their knowledge of him, my just servant will justify the many, for he himself carried their guilt. <sup>12</sup>Therefore I will give him an allotment among the great, and with the strong he will share plunder, because he poured out his life to death, and he let himself be counted with rebellious sinners. He himself carried the sin of many, and he intercedes for the rebels. <sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> [\*Holy Bible: Evangelical Heritage Version\*](#). (2019). (Is 52:13–53:12). Milwaukee, WI: Northwestern Publishing House.

# Undefeated by Sin

**OFFERING** *(May God continue to bless you with all that you need for body and life, just as he has supplied all you need for eternal life. May God bless all the gifts given in thanks to him!)*

M: Dear Lord and Christ, on this night you willingly suffered in our place. Hear our prayers as we remember your great Sacrifice for our sin.

*Silent Prayer*

**HYMN RESPONSE:** Jesus in Your Dying Woes 139

**Jesus, in your dying woes, Even while your lifeblood flows  
Craving pardon for your foes: Hear us, holy Jesus!**

M: Dear Lord and Christ, help us to rejoice in your love. As we see you on the cross, we confess our many sins that robbed you of the love you deserve from us. Instead of love, we've offered hate. Instead of service, we've been selfish. We certainly do not deserve your amazing love for us. Open our hearts to joyfully hear your words of love to unlovable sinners:

**C: "Father, forgive them for they do not know what they are doing."**

*Silent Prayer*

**HYMN RESPONSE:** Jesus, pitying the sighs Of the thief who near you dies,  
Promising him paradise: Hear us, holy Jesus!

M: Dear Lord and Christ, you were beaten, mocked and tortured by so many. You gladly offered your back to carry our sin. Help us to rejoice that it was for each of us personally that you went to that cross. Give us the same comfort that you gave the thief who was dying beside you:

**C: "I tell you the truth, today you will be with me in paradise"**

*Silent Prayer*

**HYMN RESPONSE: Jesus, loving to the end Her whose heart your sorrows rend,  
And your dearest human friend: Hear us, holy Jesus!**

M: Dear Lord and Christ, we are so often distracted by selfish desires and goals. We become so focused on our careers, our sports, our leisure that we can even forget those closest to us. You never forgot those close to you. In fact, it was for the sins of your creation, those closest to your heart, that you suffered and died. Thank you for demonstrating your deepest love when you said,

**C: “Dear woman, here is your son,” and to the disciple he said, “Here is your mother.”**

*Silent Prayer*

**HYMN RESPONSE: Jesus, plunged in depths unknown With our evil foe alone,  
While no light from heav’n is shown: Hear us, holy Jesus!**

M: Dear Lord and Christ, you displayed your love for the people who put you on the cross. You displayed your love for the dying thief beside you. You displayed your love to your mother and disciple. Your death also displayed your love for us. And yet, we realize that while on that cross you were not loved. Our loveless acts put you on that cross. It was our sin that made it necessary for you to take our place. Our just and holy God saw us when he looked at you. Dear Lord, we shudder at what our sins did. We tremble at what we deserve. With fear, trembling and awe, we hear you cry out:

**C: “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”**

*Silent Prayer*

**HYMN RESPONSE: Jesus, in your thirst and pain, While your wounds the lifeblood drain,  
Thus fulfilling Scripture’s plan: Hear us, holy Jesus!**

M: Dear Lord and Christ, you do all things well. You made sure that every aspect of our plan of salvation was perfect and complete. We praise you for covering our sin with your holy life. We honor you for removing our debt of hell with your perfect suffering and death. We praise you for reminding us that you were willing to fulfill everything, and declare fulfilled everything the Scriptures said about you when you said:

**C: “I am thirsty.”**

*Silent Prayer*

**HYMN RESPONSE: Jesus, all our ransom paid, All your Father’s will obeyed  
By your suff’rings perfect made: Hear us, holy Jesus!**

M: Dear Lord and Christ, you made this Friday “good!” You defeated Satan! You shattered sin! You emptied death of its power! We lift our voices in unending praise for paying our debt in full. We owe nothing! Our sin is no longer credited to us! Thank you for telling us that every sin is now removed by your completed work. How beautiful are these words:

**C: “It is finished!”**

*Silent Prayer*

**HYMN RESPONSE: Jesus, all your labor vast, All your woe and conflict past,  
Yielding up your soul at last: Hear us, holy Jesus!**

M: Dear Lord and Christ, we prepare to leave this hour of worship in silence. We remember how you had to suffer and die. We rejoice that you were willing to suffer in our place, and die our death. When we face our death, remind us that you already faced death for us. When our death comes, you give us the ability to say the same thing you did when you died:

**C: “Father, into your hands I commit my spirit.”**

*Silent Prayer*

## **LORD’S PRAYER**

**M/C: 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.**

We encourage you to remain silent for a moment to ponder Jesus' amazing love for you. As you ponder Jesus' love, follow this link to hear the Martin Luther College choir sing, "His Robes for Mine":

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May God keep you until we worship again on Sunday, knowing you are undefeated by sin!

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