

Friday, April 10, 2020

Good Friday

WORSHIP FOCUS: See the Ultimate Battle Won for Us!

INVOCATION

HYMN – 127 "Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted"

PSALM 22:1-24

God foreshadows the sufferings of Jesus. Because he forsook Jesus Christ, we know that he never forsakes us in our distress.

A psalm of David. My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Why are you so far from saving me, so far from the words of my groaning? ² O my God, I cry out by day, but you do not answer, by night, and am not silent. ³ Yet you are enthroned as the Holy One; you are the praise of Israel.⁴ In you our fathers put their trust; they trusted and you delivered them. ⁵ They cried to you and were saved; in you they trusted and were not disappointed.

⁶ But I am a worm and not a man, scorned by men and despised by the people. ⁷ All who see me mock me; they hurl insults, shaking their heads: ⁸ "He trusts in the LORD; let the LORD rescue him. Let him deliver him, since he delights in him." ⁹ Yet you brought me out of the womb; you made me trust in you even at my mother's breast. ¹⁰ From birth I was cast upon you; from my mother's womb you have been my God. ¹¹ Do not be far from me, for trouble is near and there is no one to help. ¹² Many bulls surround me; strong bulls of Bashan encircle me. ¹³ Roaring lions tearing their prey open their mouths wide against me. ¹⁴ I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint. My heart has turned to wax; it has melted away within me. ¹⁵ My strength is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth; you lay me in the dust of death. ¹⁶ Dogs have surrounded me; a band of evil men has encircled me, they have pierced my hands and my feet. ¹⁷ I can count all my bones; people stare and gloat over me. ¹⁸ They divide my garments among them and cast lots for my clothing.

¹⁹ But you, O LORD, be not far off; O my Strength, come quickly to help me. ²⁰ Deliver my life from the sword, my precious life from the power of the dogs. ²¹ Rescue me from the mouth of the lions; save me from the horns of the wild oxen. ²² I will declare your name to my brothers; in the congregation I will praise you. ²³ You who fear the LORD, praise him! All you descendants of Jacob, honor him! Revere him, all you descendants of Israel!

²⁴ For he has not despised or disdained the suffering of the afflicted one; he has not hidden his face from him but has listened to his cry for help.

TRIO – Three Men on a Mountain

Written by T.H Campbell, published by Paul Craft music, Arranged by The Divers

Isaiah 53:2-12

Isaiah foreshadows the sufferings of Christ that brings us peace. He has made intercession for us, for the transgressors.

² He grew up before him like a tender shoot, and like a root out of dry ground. He had no beauty or majesty to attract us to him, nothing in his appearance that we should desire him. ³ He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows, and familiar with suffering. Like one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not. ⁴ Surely he took up our infirmities and carried our sorrows, yet we considered him stricken by God, smitten by him, and afflicted. ⁵ But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon him, and by his wounds we are healed. We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

⁷ He was oppressed and afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; he was led like a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. ⁸ By oppression and judgment he was taken away. And who can speak of his descendants? For he was cut off from the land of the living; for the transgression of my people he was stricken.⁹ He was assigned a grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his death, though he had done no violence, nor was any deceit in his mouth.

¹⁰ Yet it was the LORD's will to crush him and cause him to suffer, and though the LORD makes his life a guilt offering, he will see his offspring and prolong his days, and the will of the LORD will prosper in his hand. After the suffering of his soul, he will see the light of life and be satisfied; by his knowledge my righteous servant will justify many, and he will bear their iniquities. ¹² Therefore I will give him a portion among the great, and he will divide the spoils with the strong, because he poured out his life unto death, and was numbered with the transgressors. For he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

HYMN - 105 v. 1-4 "O Sacred Head Now Wounded"

SERMON Matthew 27:45-50

From noon until three in the afternoon darkness came over all the land. About three in the afternoon Jesus cried out in a loud voice, *"Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?"* (which means "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"). When some of those standing there heard this, they said, "He's calling Elijah." Immediately one of them ran and got a sponge. He filled it with wine vinegar, put it on a staff, and offered it to Jesus to drink. The rest said, "Now leave him alone. Let's see if Elijah comes to save him." And when Jesus had cried out again in a loud voice, he gave up his spirit.

Theme: The Greatest Battle Ever Fought

1) His enemy fought relentlessly

2) But in the end, he won!

HYMN – 105 v. 5-7 "O Sacred Head Now Wounded"

OFFERING

Offerings may be made by mailing them to the school at 105 Allen Street, Jenera, OH 45841. You may also drop them off at the school between 9am and noon, Monday through Friday. If these hours are not convenient for you, please call the school at 419.326.4685 to make other arrangements.

You may also make your offering using "Online Giving." . Please see the website for instructions.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

READING – Matthew 27:57-61

Even in Jesus' burial, God still fulfills the prophesies from Holy Scripture.

⁵⁷ As evening approached, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who had himself become a disciple of Jesus. ⁵⁸ Going to Pilate, he asked for Jesus' body, and Pilate ordered that it be given to him. ⁵⁹ Joseph took the body, wrapped it in a clean linen cloth, ⁶⁰ and placed it in his own new tomb that he had cut out of the rock. He rolled a big stone in front of the entrance to the tomb and went away. ⁶¹ Mary Magdalene and the other Mary were sitting there opposite the tomb.

STREPITUS

HYMN -- 119 "Were You There?"



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOIN US for an Easter Sunday Service which will be posted to YouTube. Check the church website or the school Facebook page for a link.

THERE WILL BE NO CHURCH or school activities throughout the month of April.

<u>SERMONS AND DEVOTIONALS</u> may be found on line, on YouTube. Please check the church website, www.tlcjenera.org, or the Trinity Lutheran School Facebook page, for links to the videos. You may also find all up-dates posted on the website.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE A DVD of the sermons, please email the school at <u>tlsoffice@tlcjenera.org</u>. Or you may call the office during the new hours of 9:00AM to noon, Monday through Friday. You may pick up DVD's of the sermons, newsletters and printed sermons during these hours. Offerings may also be dropped off at the school. If these hours are not convenient for you, please call the school at 419.326.4685 to make other arrangements.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE to be added to the email list for newsletters, bulletins, sermons, and other correspondence, please email the school at <u>tlsoffice@tlcjenera.org</u>.

<u>COMMUNION</u>: Pastor Schmitzer and Pastor Nowak are offering private communion to anyone who is interested. You can meet one of them at church or they can come to your home. Please contact them by phone or email to make arrangements.

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A MESSAGE FROM WELS

WELS families are certainly missing the opportunity to gather for Easter this year—waking up for a joy-filled early service, singing loudly with the organ trumpeting "He's Risen!," sharing a big breakfast with fellow believers. This year it will look . . . different.

But even at home, you can still hear about and celebrate the greatest victory in the history of the world—Jesus' victory over death and sin! Tune into your local congregation's morning service if it offers a livestream or broadcast. Then, at 6 p.m. (central time) you can tune into the FIRST EVER livestreamed, synod-wide Easter worship celebration. Even though we are not together physically, fellow believers from around the world can gather "Together at the Empty Tomb."

WELS President Mark Schroeder and WELS First Vice President James Huebner will preside, and Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary President Earle Treptow will preach. Immediately following the service, Schroeder, Treptow, and Rev. Jon Hein from WELS Congregational Services will be available for a live Question and Answer session.

Though virtual, this has the potential to be the most-attended WELS worship service ever. Join your Christian brothers and sister and get "Together at the Empty Tomb."

Share this link—<u>livestream.com/wlslive/togetherattheemptytomb</u>—with everyone you can for an opportunity to worship synod-wide and across the world. **Christ is risen! He is risen, indeed!**