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April 2, 2021

Holy Week: Tre-Ore Service



Prayers

Our Lord Jesus Taught Us

Father, I have given them the words
You gave Me, and they have received
them and have come to know
in truth that I came from You;
and they have believed that
You sent Me.
I am praying for them.
~from John 17

✠ IN THE NAME OF JESUS ✠

RINGING OF THE BELL ~ CALL TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

WELCOME

SALUTATION AND PRAYER

2 Corinthians 13:14; Matthew 27:46, Mark 15:34

Pastor: The grace of our Lord ✠ Jesus Christ, the love of God the Father, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Congregation: And also with you!

P: We pray: Our Father in heaven, we thank You that, when Your Son cried out on the cross, "My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?" You did not forsake us. His death was for the sake of our life. As our Lord Jesus died to make us Your dear children, may we live our days in prayer and service to You and in love and service to all; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: **Amen!**

HYMN # 779:1, 3 & 5 "Come, My Soul, with Every Care"

**Come, my soul, with ev'ry care, Jesus loves to answer prayer;
He Himself has bid thee pray, therefore will not turn away.**

**With my burden I begin: Lord, remove this load of sin;
Let Thy blood, for sinners spilt, set my conscience free from guilt.**

**While I am a pilgrim here, let Thy love my spirit cheer;
As my Guide, my Guard, my Friend, lead me to my journey's end.**

+++ PRAYERS OUR LORD JESUS TAUGHT US ~ The First Petition +++

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OPENING SENTENCES

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18; Psalm 19:14; Exodus 20:7; Jeremiah 23:28; Matthew 6:9-13, Luke 11:1-4

P: Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

C: **May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing in Your sight, O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer.**

P: You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not hold anyone guiltless who misuses His name.

C: **Let the one who has My Word speak it faithfully.**

ALL: Our Father who art in heaven, HALLOWED BE THY NAME!

HYMN # 801:1 & 3 "How Great Thou Art"

**O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the works Thy hand hath made,
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder, Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed;**

Refrain: Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee, how great Thou art! How great Thou art! (repeat)

**But when I think that God, His Son not sparing, sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in—
That on the cross my burden gladly bearing He bled and died to take away my sin;**

Refrain: Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee, how great Thou art! How great Thou art! (repeat)

READINGS

John 12:27-28

Jesus prayed, "Now is My soul troubled. And what shall I say? 'Father, save Me from this hour'? But for this purpose I have come to this hour. Father, glorify Your name." Then a voice came from heaven: "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again."

John 17:1-5

Jesus lifted up His eyes to heaven, and prayed, "Father, the hour has come; glorify Your Son that the Son may glorify You, since You have given Him authority over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom You have given Him. And this is eternal life,

Lord, teach us to pray... Luke 11:1 ✠ Hear my prayer, O Lord... Psalm 102:1

that they know You the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent. I glorified You on earth, having accomplished the work that You gave Me to do. And now, Father, glorify Me in Your own presence with the glory that I had with You before the world existed."

RESPONSE TO HISTORY P: This is the Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to You, O Christ!

HYMN # 507:3 & 4 "Holy, Holy, Holy"

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee, though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see,
Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee, perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

HOMILY

PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13; Luke 11:2-4

P: We pray:

ALL: 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!

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+++ PRAYERS OUR LORD JESUS TAUGHT US ~ The Second Petition +++

~12:25~

OPENING SENTENCES

1 Thess 5:16-18; Ps 19:14; 1 Timothy 2:4; Isaiah 55:11; Mt 6:9-13, Lk 11:1-4

P: Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

C: May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing in Your sight, O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer.

P: God wants all to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth.

C: My Word will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it.

ALL: Our Father who art in heaven, THY KINGDOM COME!

HYMN # 653:1-3 "In Christ There Is No East or West" alternate tune: "How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds"

In Christ there is no east or west, in Him no south or north,
But one great fellowship of love throughout the whole wide earth.

With God there is no tribe or race; in Him we all are one.

He loves us as His children through our faith in His dear Son.

So, brothers, sisters, praise His name who died to set us free
From sin, division, hate, and shame, from spite and enmity!

READINGS

Luke 10:21

In that same hour Jesus rejoiced in the Holy Spirit and prayed, "I thank You, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that You have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children; yes, Father, for such was Your gracious will."

John 17:20-26

Jesus prayed, "I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in Me through their word, that they may all be one, just as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that You have sent Me. The glory that You have given Me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, I in them and You in Me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that You sent Me and loved them even as You loved Me.

"Father, I desire that they also, whom You have given Me, may be with Me where I am, to see My glory that You have given Me because You loved Me before the foundation of the world. O righteous Father, even though the world does not know You, I know You, and these know that You have sent Me. I made known to them Your name, and I will continue to make it known, that the love with which You have loved Me may be in them, and I in them."

RESPONSE TO HISTORY P: This is the Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to You, O Christ!

HYMN # 649 "Blest Be the Tie That Binds Our Hearts"

Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love;
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.

Before our Father's throne we pour our ardent prayers;

Lord, teach us to pray... Luke 11:1
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Hear my prayer, O Lord... Psalm 102:1

Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our comforts and our cares.

**We share our mutual woes, Our mutual burdens bear,
And often for each other flows the sympathizing tear.**

**When here our pathways part, we suffer bitter pain,
Yet, one in Christ and one in heart, We hope to meet again.**

**From sorrow, toil, and pain, and sin we shall be free
And perfect love and friendship reign through all eternity.**

HOMILY

PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13; Luke 11:2-4

P: We pray:

ALL: 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!

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+++ PRAYERS OUR LORD JESUS TAUGHT US ~ The Third Petition +++

~12:50~

OPENING SENTENCES

1 Thess 5:16-18; Ps 19:14; 1 John 2:15-17; Psalm 119:35; Mt 6:9-13, Lk 11:1-4

P: Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

C: May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing in Your sight, O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer.

P: Do not love the world or anything in the world. For everything in the world comes not from the Father but from the world. The world and its desires pass away, but the one who does the will of God lives forever.

C: Direct me in the path of Your commands, for there I find delight.

ALL: Our Father who art in heaven, THY WILL BE DONE ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN!

HYMN # 760:1-3 "What God Ordains Is Always Good"

What God ordains is always good: His will is just and holy.

As He directs my life for me, I follow meek and lowly.

My God indeed in ev'ry need knows well how He will shield me; To Him, then I will yield me.

What God ordains is always good: He never will deceive me;

He leads me in His righteous way, And never will He leave me.

I take content what He has sent; His hand that sends me sadness Will turn my tears to gladness.

What God ordains is always good: His loving thought attends me;

No poison can be in the cup that my Physician sends me.

My God is true; each morning new I trust His grace unending, My life to Him commending.

READINGS

Mark 14:32-36

And they went to a place called Gethsemane. And Jesus said to His disciples, "Sit here while I pray." And He took with Him Peter and James and John, and began to be greatly distressed and troubled. And Jesus said to them, "My soul is very sorrowful, even to death. Remain here and watch."

And going a little farther, He fell on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from Him. And He prayed, "Abba, Father, all things are possible for You. Remove this cup from Me. Yet not what I will, but what You will."

Romans 8:26-28

Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. And He who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to His purpose.

RESPONSE TO HISTORY P: This is the Word of the Lord. C: **Thanks be to God!**

HYMN # 760:4-6 "What God Ordains Is Always Good"

What God ordains is always good: He is my Friend and Father;

He suffers naught to do me harm though many storms may gather.

Now I may know both joy and woe; Some day I shall see clearly that He has loved me dearly.

What God ordains is always good: though I the cup am drinking

Which savors now of bitterness, I take it without shrinking.

Lord, teach us to pray... Luke 11:1 ✠ Hear my prayer, O Lord... Psalm 102:1

For after grief God gives relief, My heart with comfort filling and all my sorrow stilling.

What God ordains is always good: this truth remains unshaken.

Though sorrow, need, or death be mine, I shall not be forsaken.

I fear no harm, for with His arm He shall embrace and shield me; so to my God I yield me.

HOMILY

PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13; Luke 11:2-4

P: We pray:

ALL: 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!

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+++ PRAYERS OUR LORD JESUS TAUGHT US ~ The Fourth Petition +++

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OPENING SENTENCES

1 Thess. 5:16-18; Ps 19:14; Psalm 145:15-16; Ephesians 5:19-20; 1 Peter 5:7; Mt 6:9-13, Lk 11:1-4

P: Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.

C: May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing in Your sight, O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer.

P: The eyes of all look to You, and You give them their food at the proper time. You open Your hand and satisfy the desires of every living thing.

C: Cast all your anxiety on Him, because He cares for you. Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord, always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

ALL: Our Father who art in heaven, GIVE US THIS DAY OUR DAILY BREAD!

HYMN/ANTHEM # 736 “Consider How the Birds Above” *alternate tune: “From Heaven Above”*

Consider how the birds above feed day by day with carefree ease—

Does God not keep them in His love? Are we not worth much more than these?

The lilies grow, they do not toil; how fair is their fragility—

If God clothes these, which quickly spoil, will He not clothe both you and me?

Set not your heart on food or drink, nor be weighed down by worldly care;

About such things the godless think, yet never thank the Lord in prayer.

Be on your guard against all greed, for life is more than what we own.

Our Father knows our ev’ry need before our needs to us are known.

Be not afraid to suffer loss of all the things for which you pray,

For He who faced for you the cross will give you strength to live each day.

Seek first God’s reign, His boundless grace, His holy name in all you do:

Christ first and last in ev’ry place; all else will then be given you.

READINGS

Matthew 14:14-20

When Jesus went ashore He saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them and healed their sick. Now when it was evening, the disciples came to Him and said, “This is a desolate place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves.” But Jesus said, “They need not go away; you give them something to eat.” They said to Him, “We have only five loaves here and two fish.” And He said, “Bring them to Me.”

Then Jesus ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass, and taking the five loaves and the two fish, He looked up to heaven and prayed a blessing. Then He broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over.

James 1:17

Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change.

RESPONSE TO HISTORY P: This is the Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God!

HYMN # 740 “I Am Jesus’ Little Lamb”

I am Jesus’ little lamb, ever glad at heart I am;

For my Shepherd gently guides me, knows my need and well provides me,

Loves me ev’ry day the same, even calls me by my name.

Day by day, at home, away, Jesus is my staff and stay.

When I hunger, Jesus feeds me, into pleasant pastures leads me;
When I thirst, He bids me go where the quiet waters flow.
Who so happy as I am, even now the Shepherd's lamb?
And when my short life is ended, by His angel host attended,
He shall fold me to His breast, there within His arms to rest.

HOMILY

PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13; Luke 11:2-4

P: We pray:

ALL: 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!

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+++ PRAYERS OUR LORD JESUS TAUGHT US ~ The Fifth Petition +++

~1:40~

OPENING SENTENCES *1 Thess 5:16-18; Ps 19:14; Proverbs 28:13; Psalm 32:5; Matthew 6:14-15; Ephesians 4:32; Mt 6:9-13, Lk 11:1-4*

P: Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

C: May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing in Your sight, O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer.

P: Whoever conceals his sins will not prosper, but whoever confesses and forsakes them will find mercy.

C: I said, "I will confess my sins to the Lord"—and You forgave the guilt of my sin.

P: If you forgive others when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive others their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins.

C: Be kind and compassionate to one another forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

ALL: Our Father who art in heaven, FORGIVE US OUR TRESPASSES AS WE FORGIVE THOSE WHO TRESPASS AGAINST US!

ANTHEM *Lamb of God, Pure and Holy*

*Lamb of God, pure and holy, who on the cross didst suffer, ever patient and lowly, Thyself to scorn didst offer.
All sins Thou borest for us, else had despair reigned o'er us. Have mercy on us/Thy peace be with us, O Jesus!*

READINGS

Luke 23:32-35

Two others, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with Jesus. And when they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified Him, and the criminals, one on His right and one on His left. And Jesus prayed, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do."

And they cast lots to divide His garments. And the people stood by, watching, but the rulers scoffed at Jesus, saying, "He saved others; let Him save Himself, if He is the Christ of God, His Chosen One!"

Luke 18:10-14

Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself prayed thus: "God, I thank You that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I get." But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner!" I tell you, this man went down to his house justified, rather than the other. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted.

RESPONSE TO HISTORY P: This is the Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to You, O Christ!

HYMN # 613 "To Thee, Omniscient Lord of All"

To Thee, omniscient Lord of all, in grief and shame I humbly call;
I see my sins against Thee, Lord, the sins of thought and deed and word.
They press me sore; I cry to Thee: O God, be merciful to me!

O Lord, my God, to Thee I pray: O cast me not in wrath away!
Let Thy good Spirit ne'er depart, but let Him draw to Thee my heart
That truly penitent I be: O God, be merciful to me!

O Jesus, let Thy precious blood be to my soul a cleansing flood.
Turn not, O Lord, Thy guest away, but grant that justified I may
Go to my house at peace with Thee: O God, be merciful to me!

HOMILY

Lord, teach us to pray... Luke 11:1



Hear my prayer, O Lord... Psalm 102:1

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Lord, teach us to pray... Luke 11:1

PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13; Luke 11:2-4

P: We pray:

ALL: 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!



+++ PRAYERS OUR LORD JESUS TAUGHT US ~ The Sixth Petition +++

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OPENING SENTENCES

1 Thess 5:16-18; Ps 19:14; 1 Corinthians 10:12-13; Mark 14:38; Mt 6:9-13, Lk 11:1-4

P: Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

C: May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing in Your sight, O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer.

P: If you think you are standing firm, be careful that you don't fall! No temptation has seized you except what is common to man. And God is faithful; He will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, He will also provide a way out so that you can stand up under it.

C: Watch and pray that you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the body is weak.

ALL: Our Father who art in heaven, LEAD US NOT INTO TEMPTATION!

ANTHEM # 440:4 *Jesus, I Will Ponder Now*

Grant that I Your passion view with repentant grieving. Let me not bring shame to You by unholy living. How could I refuse to shun every sinful pleasure since for me God's only Son suffered without measure?!

READINGS

Luke 22:31-32

Jesus said, "Simon, Simon, behold, Satan demanded to have you all, that he might sift you all like wheat, but I have prayed for you, Simon, that your faith may not fail. And when you have turned again, strengthen your brothers."

Luke 22:39-40

And Jesus came out and went, as was His custom, to the Mount of Olives, and the disciples followed Him. And when He came to the place, Jesus said to them, "Pray that you may not enter into temptation."

RESPONSE TO HISTORY

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to You, O Christ!**

HYMN # 610 "Lord Jesus, Think on Me"

Lord Jesus, think on me and purge away my sin;
From worldly passions set me free and make me pure within.

Lord Jesus, think on me, by anxious thoughts oppressed;
Let me Your loving servant be and taste Your promised rest.

Lord Jesus, think on me amid the battle's strife;
In all my pain and misery, O be my health and life!

Lord Jesus, think on me nor let me go astray;
Through darkness and perplexity point out Your chosen way.

Lord Jesus, think on me that, when this life is past,
I may th' eternal brightness see and share Your joy at last.

HOMILY

PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13; Luke 11:2-4

P: We pray:

ALL: 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!



+++ PRAYERS OUR LORD JESUS TAUGHT US ~ The Seventh Petition +++

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OPENING SENTENCES

1 Thess 5:16-18; Ps 19:14; Psalm 91:15-16; Psalm 50:15; Mt 6:9-13, Lk 11:1-4

P: Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

C: May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing in Your sight, O Lord, my Rock and my

Lord, teach us to pray... Luke 11:1



Hear my prayer, O Lord... Psalm 102:1

Redeemer.

P: Because he holds fast to Me in love, I will deliver him; I will protect him, because he knows My name. When he calls to Me, I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble; I will rescue him and honor him. With long life I will satisfy him and show him My salvation.

C: Call upon Me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you will honor Me.

ALL: Our Father who art in heaven, DELIVER US FROM EVIL!

HYMN # 449 “O Sacred Head, Now Wounded”

O sacred Head, now wounded, with grief and shame weighed down,

Now scornfully surrounded with thorns, thine only crown.

O sacred Head, what glory, what bliss, till now was Thine!

Yet, though despised and gory, I joy to call Thee mine.

What Thou, my Lord, hast suffered was all for sinners’ gain;

Mine, mine was the transgression, but Thine the deadly pain.

Lo, here I fall, my Savior! ‘Tis I deserve Thy place;

Look on me with Thy favor, and grant to me Thy grace.

What language shall I borrow to thank Thee, dearest Friend,

For this Thy dying sorrow, Thy pity without end?

O make me Thine forever! And should I fainting be,

Lord, let me never, never, outlive my love for Thee.

Be Thou my consolation, my shield, when I must die;

Remind me of Thy passion when my last hour draws nigh.

Mine eyes shall then behold Thee, upon Thy cross shall dwell,

My heart by faith enfold Thee. Who dieth thus dies well.

READINGS

Ephesians 6:10-13, 18

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of His might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm...praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints.

John 17:13-15

Jesus prayed, “Now I am coming to You, Father, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have My joy fulfilled in themselves. I have given them Your word, and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. I do not ask that You take them out of the world, but that You keep them from the evil one.”

RESPONSE TO HISTORY P: This is the Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to You, O Christ!

HOMILY

THE LORD’S PRAYER *sung by the choir*

REMEMBRANCE OF BAPTISM

Romans 6:3-4

P: On this most holy day, the whole Church of our Lord Jesus Christ recalls His death and burial, rejoicing also with great joy in the Good News of His glorious and mighty resurrection from the dead. We also recall our death and resurrection in the waters of Baptism. St. Paul says: “Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death?”

C: “We were buried, therefore, with Him by Baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.”

P: In Holy Baptism, God has made us members of His Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and heirs with us of all the treasures of heaven in the one holy Christian and apostolic Church. Let us together in Christ hear His Word, receive His gifts, and proclaim the praises of Him who called us out of darkness into His marvelous light.

C: Amen! Thanks be to God!

CLOSING SENTENCES

2 Thessalonians 3:3; 2 Timothy 4:18; Luke 2:29-30

P: The Lord is faithful, and He will strengthen and protect you from the evil one.

C: The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and will bring me safely to His heavenly kingdom. To Him be glory for ever and ever. Amen!

ALL: Lord, as You have promised, You now dismiss Your servant in peace. For my eyes have seen Your salvation!

PRAYER

Mt 6:9-13, Lk 11:1-4; Luke 23:46

Lord, teach us to pray... Luke 11:1 ✧ Hear my prayer, O Lord... Psalm 102:1

P: Gracious Jesus, our Lord and our God, at this hour You bore our sins in Your own body on the cross so that we, being dead to sin, might live unto righteousness. Have mercy upon us now and at the hour of our death; and grant to us, Your servants, with all others who devoutly remember Your blessed Passion, a holy and peaceful life in this world and, through Your grace, eternal glory in the life to come.

ALL: Father, we pray as our brother, Jesus, did: Into Your hands I commit my spirit. FOR THINE IS THE KINGDOM AND THE POWER AND THE GLORY FOR EVER AND EVER. AMEN!

HYMN OF COMFORT, HOPE, AND JOY "God Loves Me Dearly" *sung by choir and congregation*

ALL: God loves me dearly, grants me salvation, God loves me dearly, loves even me.
Therefore I'll say again: God loves me dearly, God loves me dearly, loves even me.

Choir: I was in slavery, sin, death and darkness; God's love was working to make me free...

ALL: He sent forth Jesus, my dear Redeemer, He sent forth Jesus and set me free.
Therefore I'll say again: God loves me dearly, God loves me dearly, loves even me.

Choir: Jesus, my Savior, Himself did offer; Jesus, my Savior, paid all I owed...

ALL: Now I will praise You, O Love Eternal; now I will praise You all my life long.
Therefore I'll say again: God loves me dearly, God loves me dearly, loves even me.

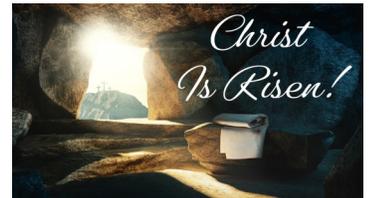
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✧ THANKS BE TO GOD FOR HIS UNSPEAKABLE GIFT! ✧

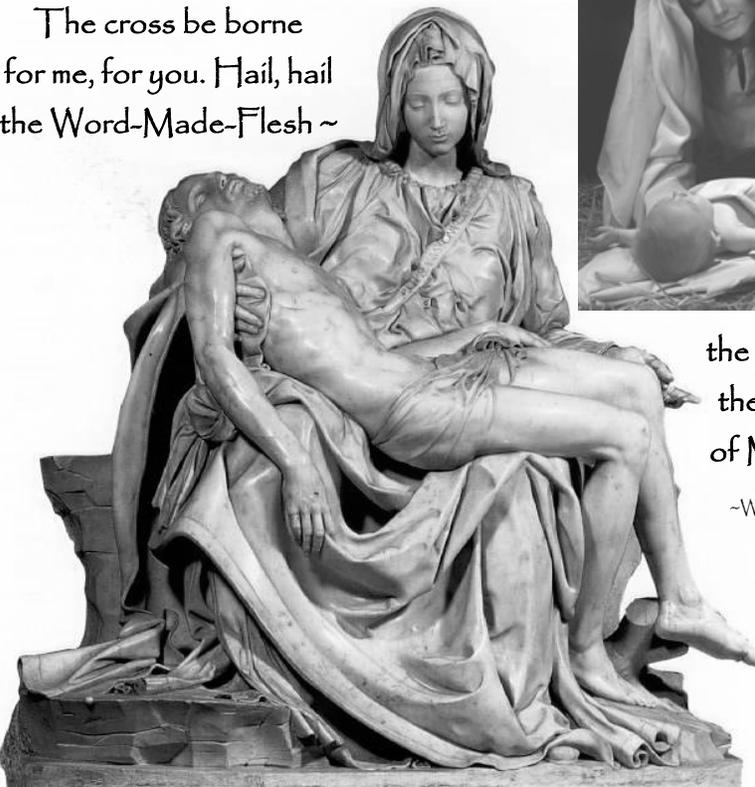


Shepherd of the Hills celebrates ~ Join us!

- ◆ Good Friday Tenebrae: 7pm, sanctuary & gym
- ◆ Easter Sunrise: 6:30am, sanctuary
- ◆ Easter Contemporary: 10:45am gym
- ◆ Easter Traditional: 8am sanctuary & gym; 10:45 sanctuary



Nails, spear shall pierce Him through,
The cross be borne for me, for you. Hail, hail the Word-Made-Flesh ~




the Babe,
the Son
of Mary...
-W.C. Dix