



HE BORE  
HIS OWN  
CROSS

Pastor Richard Elseroad  
April, 10th 2020

**Video Service**

**GOOD FRIDAY  
TENEBRAE**

**7 p.m.**

**APRIL 10, 2020**

# PRELUDE

**Lead, Kindly Light**  
*Deborah Cable, Organ*

**The WELCOME**

# THE INVOCATION

*Liturgist: In the name of the Father and of  
the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

**People: Amen.**

*Liturgist: Jesus Christ, the Light of the world:*

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

*Liturgist: Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith,*

**People: who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.**

*Hebrews 12:2*

# OPENING PRAYER

# CONFESSIO



*Pastor: We gather before God remembering the cross in sorrow and in shame. We seek His forgiveness, strength, and mercy. We remember the day of our Savior's death. We mourn and struggle to understand the depth of Christ's love---that He should suffer and die in our place. Father, our hearts are heavy as we gather in the name of Christ, bearing witness to the terror of His crucifixion, knowing full well that we are guilty sinners, in need of Your forgiveness, life, and salvation.*

**People: Go away from me, Lord; for I am sinful.**

*Pastor: Woe to me, I cried;*

**People: For I am a person of unclean lips and I live among a people of unclean lips.**

*Liturgist: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.*

**People: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*Pastor: At times, we have failed to strive against evil in the world.*

**People: At times, we have denied our Lord.**

*Pastor: At times, we have betrayed our Lord.*

**People: Have mercy on us Lord and grant us forgiveness.**

*(Silence for reflection and examination)*

*Pastor: Merciful Father,*

**People: we humbly confess that we are sinful by nature and sinners in thought, word, and deed. We fear standing before You because we know our sin has made us unworthy of You.**

**But we acknowledge what Your grace has done for us in Jesus Christ, who took the burden of our sin and guilt upon Himself. In His name we confess our sin. By faith, we lay claim to the promise of forgiveness won for us by His sacrifice on the cross.**

*Pastor: And then the Lord touched me with his grace;*

**People: your guilt is taken away and your sin atoned for.**

**FORGIVENESS**



Hymn

**Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed**

*LSB 437 vv.1,4*

**Alas! and did my Savior bleed,  
And did my Sov'reign die?  
Would He devote that sacred head  
For such a worm as I?**

**Thus might I hide my blushing face  
While His dear cross appears,  
Dissolve my heart in thankfulness,  
And melt mine eyes to tears.**

# RESPONSIVE READING

*from Isaiah 53*

*Pastor: Who has believed what they heard from us? And to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?*

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

*Pastor: He had no form or majesty that we should look at him, and no beauty that we should desire him.*

**People: He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief.**

*Pastor: And as one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not.*

**People: Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted.**

*Pastor: But he was wounded for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his stripes we are healed.*

**People: All we like sheep have gone astray, we have turned every one to his own way;**



*Pastor: And the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.*

**People: Let us fix our eyes on Jesus,  
the author and perfecter of our faith.**

# PRAYER OF THE DAY

*Pastor: Let us pray. Almighty God, graciously bestow Your favor upon this Your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed. Grant that we may genuinely cherish Jesus' willingness to be given into the hands of sinners, to suffer torment upon a cross, and even to die, that we may have abundant and eternal life, through the same Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*

**People: Amen.**

# **SCRIPTURE READING**

**John 19:17-30**

# SPECIAL MUSIC

**Man of Sorrows**  
*John and Carrie Cleland*

**Man of Sorrows, Lamb of God  
by his own betrayed  
the sin of man and wrath of God  
has been on Jesus laid.**

**Silent as He stood accused  
Beaten, mocked, and scorned  
Bowling to the Father's will  
He took a crown of thorns**

**Oh, that rugged cross, my salvation  
where Your love poured out over me  
Now my soul cries out, hallelujah  
praise and honor unto Thee**

**Sent of heaven, God's own son  
to purchase and redeem  
and reconcile the very ones  
who nailed Him to that tree**

**Oh that rugged cross, my salvation  
where Your love poured out over me  
Now my soul cries out, hallelujah  
praise and honor unto Thee**



**Now, my debt is paid,  
it is paid in full  
by the precious blood  
that my Jesus spilled**

**Now, the curse of sin  
has no hold on me  
whom the Son sets free,  
oh is free indeed!**

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**Now, the curse of sin  
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whom the Son sets free,  
oh is free indeed!**

**See the stone is rolled away,  
behold the empty tomb  
hallelujah, God be praised!  
He's risen from the grave!**

**Oh, that rugged cross, my salvation  
where Your love poured out over me  
Now my soul cries out hallelujah  
praise and honor unto Thee**

# THE SERMON



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# **+TENEBRAE SEQUENCE+**

**The Passion  
According to St. Matthew**

# FIRST READING

**Matthew 26:36-56**



# HYMN

**Go to Dark Gethsemane**

*LSB 436 v.1*

*Deborah Cable, Organ  
Congregation Sings*

**Go to dark Gethsemane,  
You who feel the tempter's pow'r;  
Your Redeemer's conflict see;  
Watch with Him one bitter hour;  
Turn not from His griefs away;  
Learn of Jesus Christ to pray.**

# **SECOND READING**

**Matthew 26:57-75**

# HYMN

## **The Wonderful Cross**

*John and Carrie Cleland*

**When I survey the wondrous cross,  
On which the Prince of glory died,  
My richest gain I count but loss,  
and pour contempt on all my pride.**

**See from His head, His hands, His feet,  
Sorrow and love flow mingled down  
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,  
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?**

**O the wonderful Cross,  
O the wonderful Cross  
Bids me come and die  
and find that I may truly live**

**O the wonderful Cross,  
O the wonderful Cross  
All who gather here by grace  
draw near and bless Your name**

**Were the whole realm of Nature mine,  
That were an offering far too small;  
Love so amazing, so Divine,  
Demands my soul, my life, my all!**

**O the wonderful Cross,  
O the wonderful Cross  
Bids me come and die  
and find that I may truly live**

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# THIRD READING

**Matthew 27:1-2, 11-26**

# MEDITATION

**Hallelujah! What A Savior!**

*Deborah Cable, Organ*

# FOURTH READING

**Matthew 27:27-31**

# HYMN

**O Sacred Head, Now Wounded**

**LSB 449, v.1**

*Deborah Cable, Organ  
Congregation Sings*

**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 'til now was thine!  
Yet, though despised and gory,  
I joy to call thee mine.**

# FIFTH READING

**Matthew 27:32-44**

# MEDITATION

**Beneath the Cross of Jesus**

*Deborah Cable, Organ*



# SIXTH READING

**Matthew 27:45-50**

# HYMN

**Were You There**

LSB 456, vv.1,3

*Deborah Cable, Organ*

*Congregation Sings*

**Were you there when they  
crucified my Lord?**

**Were you there when they  
crucified my Lord?**

**Oh...Sometimes it causes me to  
tremble, tremble, tremble.**

**Were you there when they  
crucified my Lord?**

**Were you there when they laid Him  
in the tomb?**

**Were you there when they laid Him  
in the tomb?**

**Oh...Sometimes it causes me to  
tremble, tremble, tremble.**

**Were you there when they laid Him  
in the tomb?**

# **SEVENTH READING**

**Matthew 27:51-60**

# MEDITATION

**It Is Well With My Soul**  
*Deborah Cable, Organ*

# THE CHRIST CANDLE

# The BENEDICTION

*(please stand)*



**We depart in silence,  
reflecting upon  
His sacrificial love**