

April 18, 2025
Good Friday

PRELUDE “O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing!” French carol

WELCOME

OPENING SENTENCES

... Come and see the beloved Son of God. *Isa. 52:13*

He is high and lifted up.

Come and see the Ruler of the nations.

He is high and lifted up.

Come and see the Savior of the world.

He is high and lifted up—upon a cross.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

+ **HYMN: GTG #438** “Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me” TOPLADY

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Isaiah 52:13—53:12 O.T. page 520
The suffering servant

RESPONSE: GTG #227 “Jesus, Remember Me” REMEMBER ME

PSALM

Psalm 22

Why have you forsaken me?

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

Why so far from saving me,
so far from the words of my groaning?

**My God, I cry out by day, but you do not answer;
by night, but I find no rest.**

Yet you are the Holy One,
enthroned on the praises of Israel.

**Our ancestors put their trust in you,
they trusted, and you rescued them.**

They cried out to you and were delivered;
they trusted in you and were not put to shame.

**But as for me, I am a worm and not human,
scorned by all and despised by the people.**

All who see me laugh me to scorn;
they curl their lips; they shake their heads.

**“Trust in the LORD; let the LORD deliver;
let God rescue him if God so delights in him.”**

Yet you are the one who drew me forth from the womb,
and kept me safe on my mother’s breast.

**I have been entrusted to you ever since I was born;
you were my God when I was still in my mother’s womb.**

Be not far from me, for trouble is near,
and there is no one to help.

**Many young bulls encircle me;
strong bulls of Bashan surround me.**

They open wide their jaws at me,
like a slashing and roaring lion.

**I am poured out like water; all my bones are out of joint;
my heart within my breast is melting wax.**

My strength is dried up like a potsherd;
my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth;
and you have laid me in the dust of death.

**Packs of dogs close me in, a band of evildoers circles round me;
they pierce my hands and my feet.**

I can count all my bones
while they stare at me and gloat.

**They divide my garments among them;
for my clothing, they cast lots.**

But you, O LORD, be not far away;
O my help, hasten to my aid.

**Deliver me from the sword,
my life from the power of the dog.**

Save me from the lion’s mouth!

From the horns of wild bulls you have rescued me.

**I will declare your name to my people;
in the midst of the assembly I will praise you.**

You who fear the LORD, give praise!
All you of Jacob’s line, give glory.

Stand in awe of the LORD, all you offspring of Israel.

**For the LORD does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty;
neither is the LORD’s face hidden from them;
but when they cry out, the LORD hears them.**

From you comes my praise in the great assembly;
I will perform my vows in the sight of those who fear the LORD.

**The poor shall eat and be satisfied.
Let those who seek the LORD give praise!
May your hearts live forever!**

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD;
all the families of nations shall bow before God.

**For dominion belongs to the LORD,
who rules over the nations.**

Indeed, all who sleep in the earth shall bow down in worship;
all who go down to the dust, though they be dead,
shall kneel before the LORD.

**Their descendants shall serve the LORD,
whom they shall proclaim to generations to come.**

**They shall proclaim God’s deliverance to a people yet unborn,
saying to them, “The LORD has acted!”**

RESPONSE: GTG #227 “Jesus, Remember Me” REMEMBER ME

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9 N.T. page 173
The merciful high priest

RESPONSE: GTG #227 “Jesus, Remember Me” REMEMBER ME

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 22:39-62 N.T. page 66
The betrayal of Jesus

HYMN: GTG #228 “Were You There” WERE YOU THERE

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 22:63—23:25 N.T. page 67
The trial of Jesus

HYMN: GTG #223 “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross” HAMBURG

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 23:26-43 N.T. page 68
The crucifixion of Jesus

HYMN: GTG #221 “O Sacred Head, Now Wounded” PASSION CHORALE

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 23:44-49 N.T. page 68
The death of Jesus

ANTHEM “Pietà” Martin

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 23:50-56 N.T. page 68
The burial of Jesus

+ **HYMN: GTG #218** “Ah, Holy Jesus” HERZLIEBSTER JESU

MEDITATION “Good Friday?” Rev. Bill Pinches

PRAYERS

... O Lord, do not be far away; *Ps. 22:19*
come quickly to help!

HYMN: GTG #215 “What Wondrous Love Is This” WONDROUS LOVE

SOLEMN REPROACHES OF THE CROSS

Repeat three times:

The cross that held the Savior of the world.

**Holy God,
holy and mighty,
holy immortal one,
have mercy on us.**

Repeat nine times:

... and you have made a cross for your Savior.

Lord, have mercy.

ANTHEM “Kyrie Eleison” Mengel

*Please depart in silence.
The journey continues on Sunday.*

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THE JOURNEY CONTINUES

Easter Sunday

April 20

10:00 am

Mason First Presbyterian Church

April 18, 2025
Good Friday



Last Supper
by John August Swanson, 2009

“Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.”
(Luke 23:46)

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