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Good Friday
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(text in bold read in unison)

Good Friday

Prelude

Lighting the Candles

Announcements and Prayer Concerns

* Call to Worship (Responsively)

We gather, O God, in your Spirit, with hearts heavy with Grief.

We yearn for rescue from the evil and death which seems to fill the world.

We yearn to experience you in our time together.

Prepare us now for this worship, through your loving and healing Spirit.

* Opening Hymn: "Go to Dark Gethsemane" # 196

Go to dark Gethsemane, all who feel the tempter's power;
your Redeemer's conflict see, watch with him one bitter hour:
turn not from his griefs away; learn of Jesus Christ to pray.

Follow to the judgment hall; view the Lord of life arraigned,
O the wormwood and the gall! O the pangs his soul sustained!
Shun not suffering, shame, or loss; learn of him to bear the cross.

Calvary's mournful mountain climb; there, adoring at his feet,
mark that miracle of time, God's own sacrifice complete:
"It is finished!" hear the cry; learn of Jesus Christ to die.

Early hasten to the tomb where they laid his breathless clay;
all is solitude and gloom. Who has taken him away?
meets our eyes; Savior, teach us so to rise.

* Good Friday Prayer (Together)

We raise to you, O God, the dread that our hearts are so often drenched in. We ask for the stamina and courage to endure the truth which our minds would like to deny. We have come here in faith that, in Jesus, life will defeat death and good will defeat evil. Amen.

* Response: "Halle-Halle-Halleluja" Hymn # 41
Halle-Halle-Halleluja. Halle-Halle-Halleluja.
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Prayer of Preparation (Together)

As we draw closer, O God, to the cross of Good Friday, open us fully to your word. May your magnanimous Spirit flow over us as we hear and grasp this terrible and crucial story. Amen.

Scripture: John 18:1-3

When he had finished praying, Jesus left with his disciples and crossed the Kidron Valley. On the other side there was a garden, and he and his disciples went into it.

Now Judas, who betrayed him, knew the place, because Jesus had often met there with his disciples. So Judas came to the garden, guiding a detachment of soldiers and some officials from the chief priests and the Pharisees. They were carrying torches, lanterns and weapons.

Scripture: John 18:10-12

Then Simon Peter, who had a sword, drew it and struck the high priest's servant, cutting off his right ear. (The servant's name was Malchus.)

Jesus commanded Peter, "Put your sword away! Shall I not drink the cup the Father has given me?"

Then the detachment of soldiers with its commander and the Jewish officials arrested Jesus. They bound him.

Scripture: John 19:1-6

Then Pilate took Jesus and had him flogged. The soldiers twisted together a crown of thorns and put it on his head. They clothed him in a purple robe and went up to him again and again, saying, "Hail, king of the Jews!" And they slapped him in the face.

Once more Pilate came out and said to the Jews gathered there, "Look, I am bringing him out to you to let you know that I find no basis for a charge against him." When Jesus came out wearing the crown of thorns and the

purple robe, Pilate said to them, “Here is the man!”

As soon as the chief priests and their officials saw him, they shouted, “Crucify! Crucify!” But Pilate answered, “You take him and crucify him. As for me, I find no basis for a charge against him.”

Scripture: John 19:16-18

Finally Pilate handed him over to them to be crucified.

So the soldiers took charge of Jesus. Carrying his own cross, he went out to the place of the Skull (which in Aramaic is called Golgotha). There they crucified him, and with him two others—one on each side and Jesus in the middle.

Scripture: John 19:25–30

Near the cross of Jesus stood his mother, his mother’s sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother there, and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to her, “Woman, here is your son,” and to the disciple, “Here is your mother.” From that time on, this disciple took her into his home.

Later, knowing that everything had now been finished, and so that Scripture would be fulfilled, Jesus said, “I am thirsty.” A jar of wine vinegar was there, so they soaked a sponge in it, put the sponge on a stalk of the hyssop plant, and lifted it to Jesus’ lips. When he had received the drink, Jesus said, “It is finished.” With that, he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

Hymn: “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross” # 195

**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.**

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ, my God;
all the vain things that charm me most I sacrifice them to his blood.

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?

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small;
love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

Sermon: "Refraining from Reciting the Evil Small Talk"

Rev. Mike Krewson

Anthem: "Were You There"

Prayer Time:

Wordless Meditation

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Our Gifts

Response "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host:

Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer Dedicating our gifts (Together)

You, O God, are our hope and provider. You fill our lives with good things. Give us the joy and freedom that is found in a loose hold on the things of this world. As we solemnly give these gifts, we dedicate them to your use and glory. Amen.

* Closing Hymn: "Beneath the Cross of Jesus" #197

Beneath the cross of Jesus I fain would take my stand,
the shadow of a mighty rock within a weary land;
a home within the wilderness, a rest upon the way,
from the burning of the noon-tide heat, and the burden of the day.

Upon that cross of Jesus mine eye at times can see
the very dying form of one who suffered there for me;
and from my stricken heart with tears two wonders I confess;
the wonders of redeeming love and my unworthiness.

I take, O cross, thy shadow for my abiding place;
I ask no other sunshine than the sunshine on his face;
content to let the world go by, to know no gain nor loss,
my sinful self my only shame, my glory all the cross.

* Benediction

* Postlude

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 17 Easter Sunday 8:30 or 10:30 Light Easter Brunch 9:30 Sunday Worship Slavik Baptism In-person, Livestream on Facebook 9:45 Sunday School In-person | 18 10:00 Bible Study Conf Call/Zoom Mtg 4:30 ECC Board Meeting | 19 | 20 5:30-7:00 LOGOS | 21 | 22 | 23 Floor Waxing - areas unavailable |
| 24 Floor Waxing 9:30 Sunday Worship In-person, Livestream on Facebook 9:45 Sunday School In-person One Great Hour of Sharing 10:15 Spring Congregational Meeting | 25 10:00 Bible Study Conf Call/Zoom Mtg | 26 | 27 5:30-7:00 LOGOS | 28 | 29 | 30 Floor Waxing - areas unavailable |
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| 8 Mother's Day 9:30 Sunday Worship In-person, Livestream on Facebook 9:45 Sunday School In-person | 9 10:00 Bible Study Conf Call/Zoom Mtg | 10 | 11 5:30-7:00 LOGOS | 12 | 13 | 14 |




Our Vision Statement

St. Philip's Vision Statement

We are called to the body of Jesus Christ, with:

Minds to study God's word,
Mouths to proclaim the Gospel,
Eyes to see the needs of others,
Arms to welcome all,

Hearts big enough to share God's love with all God's children.



*In our
Thoughts
and
Prayers*

Daisy

Gail Avery

Mary Darr

Grace Heady

Judy Hickman

Russ Hickman

Deb Hudson

Harry Jennings

Pam Kelly

JoAnn Leber

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