

**Good Friday
April 2, 2021**

Collect of the Day

P Almighty God, graciously behold this Your family for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed and delivered into the hands of sinful men to suffer death upon the cross; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading: *Isaiah 52:13—53:12*

A The Old Testament Reading for Good Friday is from Isaiah, chapters 52 and 53.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

P Let us pray.
Merciful and everlasting God, You did not spare Your only Son but delivered Him up for us all to bear our sins on the cross. Grant that our hearts may be so fixed with steadfast faith in Him that we fear not the power of sin, death, and the devil; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

Epistle Reading: *Hebrews 4:14–16; 5:7–9*

A The Epistle is from Hebrews, chapters four and five.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

P Let us pray.
Almighty and everlasting God, You willed that Your Son should bear for us the pains of the cross and so remove from us the power of the adversary. Help us so to remember and give thanks for our Lord's passion that we may receive forgiveness of sin and redemption from everlasting death; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

Solo: Lovingly They Laid Him in a Borrowed Tomb

The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ

P The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. John.

The Betrayal and Arrest of Jesus

John 18:1–11

Psalm

Psalm 31:1–2

¹In you, O LORD, do I take refuge;
**let me never be put to shame;
in your righteousness deliver me!**

²Incline your ear to me;
rescue me speedily!
Be a rock of refuge for me,
a strong fortress to save me!

Jesus Before the High Priest and the Denial of Peter *John 18:12–27*

Psalm

Psalm 31:3–5

³For you are my rock and my fortress;
and for your name's sake you lead me and guide me;
⁴you take me out of the net they have hidden for me,
for you are my refuge.
⁵Into your hand I commit my spirit;
you have redeemed me, O LORD, faithful God.

Jesus Before Pilate *John 18:28–40*

Psalm

Psalm 31:6–8

⁶I hate those who pay regard to worthless idols,
but I trust in the LORD.
⁷I will rejoice and be glad in your steadfast love,
**because you have seen my affliction;
you have known the distress of my soul,**
⁸and you have not delivered me into the hand of the enemy;
you have set my feet in a broad place.

Jesus Prepared for Crucifixion *John 19:1–16*

Psalm

Psalm 31:9–10

⁹Be gracious to me, O LORD, for I am in distress;
**my eye is wasted from grief;
my soul and my body also.**

¹⁰For my life is spent with sorrow,
and my years with sighing;
my strength fails because of my iniquity,
and my bones waste away.

The Crucifixion of Jesus

John 19:16–24

Psalm

Psalm 31:11–13

¹¹Because of all my adversaries I have become a reproach,
especially to my neighbors,
and an object of dread to my acquaintances;
those who see me in the street flee from me.
¹²I have been forgotten like one who is dead;
I have become like a broken vessel.
¹³For I hear the whispering of many—
terror on every side!—
as they scheme together against me,
as they plot to take my life.

Jesus' Mother and His Death

John 19:25–30

Psalm

Psalm 31:14–18

¹⁴But I trust in you, O LORD;
I say, “You are my God.”
¹⁵My times are in your hand;
rescue me from the hand of my enemies and from my persecutors!
¹⁶Make your face shine on your servant;
save me in your steadfast love!
¹⁷O LORD, let me not be put to shame,
for I call upon you;
let the wicked be put to shame;
let them go silently to Sheol.
¹⁸Let the lying lips be mute,
which speak insolently against the righteous in pride and contempt.

Jesus' Side is Pierced

John 19:31–42

Psalm

Psalm 31:19–20

¹⁹Oh, how abundant is your goodness,
which you have stored up for those who fear you
and worked for those who take refuge in you,
in the sight of the children of mankind!

²⁰In the cover of your presence you hide them
from the plots of men;
you store them in your shelter
from the strife of tongues.

Sermon: “Return to the Lord: Return to Truth”

Psalm

Psalm 31:21–24

²¹Blessèd be the LORD,
for he has wondrously shown his steadfast love to me when I was in a besieged city.
²²I had said in my alarm,
“I am cut off from your sight.”
But you heard the voice of my pleas for mercy
when I cried to you for help.
²³Love the LORD, all you his saints!
The LORD preserves the faithful but abundantly repays the one who acts in pride.
²⁴Be strong, and let your heart take courage,
all you who wait for the LORD!

Bidding Prayer

- A** Let us pray for the whole ... You in true faith and persevere in the confession of Your name; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C** Amen.
- A** Let us pray for all the ... truly serve You according to Your calling; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C** Amen.
- A** Let us pray for our catechumens... through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C** Amen.
- A** Let us pray for all in ... Your ministers may bear it according to Your Word; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C** Amen.
- A** Let us pray our Lord God Almighty ... Your manifold help and comfort; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C** Amen.

A Let us pray for all who are outside the Church... Your name bring them into the fellowship of Your holy Church; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

A Let us pray for ... You in true fear, to the praise and glory of Your name; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

A Let us pray for our enemies... Your whole Christian Church; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

A Let us pray for the fruits of the earth... Your blessing on all the fruits of the earth and whatsoever pertains to our bodily need; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

A Finally, let us pray for all those things for which our Lord would have us ask, saying:

C **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.

P Behold, the life-giving cross on which was hung the salvation of the world.

C **O come, let us worship Him.**

P Behold, the life-giving cross on which was hung the salvation of the world.

C **O come, let us worship Him.**

P Behold, the life-giving cross on which was hung the salvation of the world.

C **O come, let us worship Him.**

C **We adore You, O Lord,
and we praise and glorify Your holy resurrection.**

**For behold, by the wood of Your cross
joy has come into all the world.**

God be merciful to us and bless us,

and cause His face to shine upon us, and have mercy upon us.

We adore You, O Lord,

and we praise and glorify Your holy resurrection.

For behold, by the wood of Your cross

joy has come into all the world.

P Let us pray.

We implore You, O Lord, that Your abundant blessing may be upon Your people who have held the passion and death of Your Son in devout remembrance, that we may receive Your pardon and the gift of Your comfort, and may increase in faith and take hold of eternal salvation; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

The pastor and congregation leave in silence.

Acknowledgments

Good Friday, Chief Service from Lutheran Service Book

Unless otherwise indicated, Scripture quotations are from the ESV® Bible (The Holy Bible, English Standard Version®), copyright © 2001 by Crossway, a publishing ministry of Good News Publishers. Used by permission. All rights reserved.

Created by Lutheran Service Builder © 2021 Concordia Publishing House.