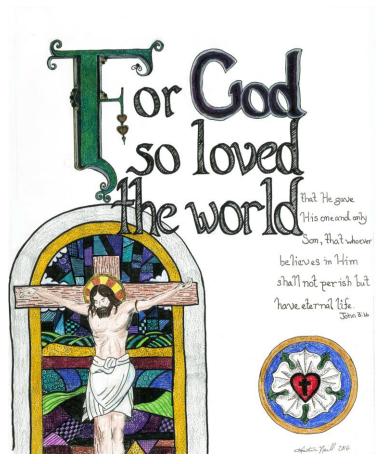
# **ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH**





APRIL 14<sup>TH</sup>, 2017 GOOD FRIDAY Please note: it is customary during Good Friday not to collect an offering, but to place our gifts silently in the plates at the back of the church at the conclusion of worship.

# Opening Hymn - Go to Dark Gethsemane (Men's Choir)

- L O Lord, open my lips,
- and my mouth will declare Your praise.
- I Make haste, O God, to deliver me;
- make haste to help me, O Lord.
- Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen. Praise to You, O Christ. Alleluia.

#### Psalm 22:1-2; 14-21

- L¹My God, my God, why have you for- | saken me?\*
  Why are you so far from saving me, from the words of my | groaning?
- O my God, I cry by day, but you do not | answer,\* and by night, but I | find no rest.
- <sup>14</sup>I am poured out like water, and all my bones are | out of joint;\* my heart is like wax; it is melted with- | in my breast;
- <sup>15</sup>my strength is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue sticks | to my jaws;\* you lay me in the | dust of death.
- <sup>16</sup>For dogs en- | compass me;\* a company of evildoers encircles me; they have pierced my | hands and feet—
- <sup>17</sup>I can count | all my bones—\* they stare and gloat | over me;
- <sup>18</sup>they divide my garments a- | mong them,\* and for my clothing they | cast lots.
- <sup>19</sup>But you, O LORD, do not be | far off!\*
  O you my help, come quickly | to my aid!
- <sup>20</sup>Deliver my soul | from the sword,\*
  my precious life from the power | of the dog!

<sup>21</sup>Save me from the mouth of the | lion!\*
You have rescued me from the horns of the wild | oxen!

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## **Sermon Hymn – Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain**

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#### Sermon

# **Tenebrae Service**

# The Holy Gospel According St. John 18:1-19:36

## Hymn – What Wondrous Love is This, O My Soul

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When Jesus had spoken these words, he went out with his disciples across the brook Kidron, where there was a garden, which he and his disciples entered. Now Judas, who betrayed him, also knew the place, for Jesus often met there with his disciples. So Judas, having procured a band of soldiers and some officers from the chief priests and the Pharisees, went there with lanterns and torches and weapons. Then Jesus, knowing all that would happen to him, came forward and said to them, "Whom do you seek?" They answered him, "Jesus of Nazareth." Jesus said to them, "I am he." Judas, who betrayed him, was standing with them. When Jesus said to them, "I am he," they drew back and fell to the ground. So he asked them again, "Whom do you seek?" And they said, "Jesus of Nazareth." Jesus answered, "I told you that I am he. So, if you seek me, let these men go." This was to fulfill the word that he had spoken: "Of those whom you gave me I have lost not one." Then Simon Peter, having a sword, drew it and struck the high priest's servant and cut off his right ear. (The servant's name was Malchus.) So Jesus said to

Peter, "Put your sword into its sheath; shall I not drink the cup that the Father has given me?"

The First Candle is extinguished

## Hymn - When I Behold Jesus Christ

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## **Jesus Faces Annas and Caiaphas**

So the band of soldiers and their captain and the officers of the Jews arrested Jesus and bound him. First they led him to Annas, for he was the father-in-law of Caiaphas, who was high priest that year. It was Caiaphas who had advised the Jews that it would be expedient that one man should die for the people.

#### **Peter Denies Jesus**

Simon Peter followed Jesus, and so did another disciple. Since that disciple was known to the high priest, he entered with Jesus into the courtyard of the high priest, but Peter stood outside at the door. So the other disciple, who was known to the high priest, went out and spoke to the servant girl who kept watch at the door, and brought Peter in. The servant girl at the door said to Peter, "You also are not one of this man's disciples, are you?" He said, "I am not." Now the servants and officers had made a charcoal fire, because it was cold, and they were standing and warming themselves. Peter also was with them, standing and warming himself.

## **The High Priest Questions Jesus**

The high priest then questioned Jesus about his disciples and his teaching. Jesus answered him, "I have spoken openly to the world. I have always taught in synagogues and in the temple, where all Jews come together. I have said nothing in secret. Why do you ask me? Ask those

who have heard me what I said to them; they know what I said." When he had said these things, one of the officers standing by struck Jesus with his hand, saying, "Is that how you answer the high priest?" Jesus answered him, "If what I said is wrong, bear witness about the wrong; but if what I said is right, why do you strike me?" Annas then sent him bound to Caiaphas the high priest.

## **Peter Denies Jesus Again**

Now Simon Peter was standing and warming himself. So they said to him, "You also are not one of his disciples, are you?" He denied it and said, "I am not." One of the servants of the high priest, a relative of the man whose ear Peter had cut off, asked, "Did I not see you in the garden with him?" Peter again denied it, and at once a rooster crowed.

The Second Candle is extinguished

## **Hymn - The Lamb**

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#### **Jesus Before Pilate**

Then they led Jesus from the house of Caiaphas to the governor's headquarters. It was early morning. They themselves did not enter the governor's headquarters, so that they would not be defiled, but could eat the Passover. So Pilate went outside to them and said, "What accusation do you bring against this man?" They answered him, "If this man were not doing evil, we would not have delivered him over to you." Pilate said to them, "Take him yourselves and judge him by your own law." The Jews said to him, "It is not lawful for us to put anyone to death." This was to fulfill the word that Jesus had spoken to show by what kind of death he was going to die.

## Hymn- Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted

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## My Kingdom Is Not of This World

So Pilate entered his headquarters again and called Jesus and said to him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you say this of your own accord, or did others say it to you about me?" Pilate answered, "Am I a Jew? Your own nation and the chief priests have delivered you over to me. What have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not of this world. If my kingdom were of this world, my servants would have been fighting, that I might not be delivered over to the Jews. But my kingdom is not from the world." Then Pilate said to him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this purpose I was born and for this purpose I have come into the world—to bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth listens to my voice." Pilate said to him, "What is truth?"

After he had said this, he went back outside to the Jews and told them, "I find no guilt in him. But you have a custom that I should release one man for you at the Passover. So do you want me to release to you the King of the Jews?" They cried out again, "Not this man, but Barabbas!" Now Barabbas was a robber.

## The Fourth Candle is extinguished

## Hymn – O Sacred Head, Now Wounded (Men's Choir)

#### Jesus Delivered to Be Crucified

Then Pilate took Jesus and flogged him. And the soldiers twisted together a crown of thorns and put it on his head and arrayed him in a purple

robe. They came up to him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!" and struck him with their hands. Pilate went out again and said to them, "See, I am bringing him out to you that you may know that I find no guilt in him." So Jesus came out, wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe. Pilate said to them, "Behold the man!" When the chief priests and the officers saw him, they cried out, "Crucify him, crucify him!" Pilate said to them, "Take him yourselves and crucify him, for I find no guilt in him." The Jews answered him, "We have a law, and according to that law he ought to die because he has made himself the Son of God." When Pilate heard this statement, he was even more afraid. He entered his headquarters again and said to Jesus, "Where are you from?" But Jesus gave him no answer. So Pilate said to him, "You will not speak to me? Do you not know that I have authority to release you and authority to crucify you?" Jesus answered him, "You would have no authority over me at all unless it had been given you from above. Therefore he who delivered me over to you has the greater sin."

From then on Pilate sought to release him, but the Jews cried out, "If you release this man, you are not Caesar's friend. Everyone who makes himself a king opposes Caesar." So when Pilate heard these words, he brought Jesus out and sat down on the judgment seat at a place called The Stone Pavement, and in Aramaic Gabbatha. Now it was the day of Preparation of the Passover. It was about the sixth hour. He said to the Jews, "Behold your King!" They cried out, "Away with him, away with him, crucify him!" Pilate said to them, "Shall I crucify your King?" The chief priests answered, "We have no king but Caesar." So he delivered him over to them to be crucified.

# The Fifth Candle is extinguished

#### The Crucifixion

So they took Jesus, and he went out, bearing his own cross, to the place called The Place of a Skull, which in Aramaic is called Golgotha. There they crucified him, and with him two others, one on either side, and Jesus between them. Pilate also wrote an inscription and put it on the cross. It read, "Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews." Many of the Jews read this inscription, for the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city, and it was written in Aramaic, in Latin, and in Greek. So the chief priests of the Jews said to Pilate, "Do not write, 'The King of the Jews,' but rather, 'This man said, I am King of the Jews.'" Pilate answered, "What I have written I have written."

When the soldiers had crucified Jesus, they took his garments and divided them into four parts, one part for each soldier; also his tunic. But the tunic was seamless, woven in one piece from top to bottom, so they said to one another, "Let us not tear it, but cast lots for it to see whose it shall be." This was to fulfill the Scripture which says,

"They divided my garments among them,

and for my clothing they cast lots."

So the soldiers did these things, but standing by the cross of Jesus were his mother and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to his mother, "Woman, behold, your son!" Then he said to the disciple, "Behold, your mother!" And from that hour the disciple took her to his own home.

The Sixth Candle is extinguished

**Hymn - Were You There** 

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#### The Death of Jesus

After this, Jesus, knowing that all was now finished, said (to fulfill the Scripture), "I thirst." A jar full of sour wine stood there, so they put a sponge full of the sour wine on a hyssop branch and held it to his mouth. When Jesus had received the sour wine, he said, "It is finished," and he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

#### Jesus' Side Is Pierced

Since it was the day of Preparation, and so that the bodies would not remain on the cross on the Sabbath (for that Sabbath was a high day), the Jews asked Pilate that their legs might be broken and that they might be taken away. So the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first, and of the other who had been crucified with him. But when they came to Jesus and saw that he was already dead, they did not break his legs. But one of the soldiers pierced his side with a spear, and at once there came out blood and water. He who saw it has borne witness—his testimony is true, and he knows that he is telling the truth—that you also may believe.

## The Final Candle is extinguished

The book is slammed shut signifying the closing of Christ's tomb and the fulfillment of all the prophecies concerning Christ's suffering and death for the sake of all creation.

The congregation is asked to depart in silence remembering the loving sacrifice Christ made in their place and in silent hope for the coming celebration of Christ's resurrection from the dead as well as our hope in the resurrection for all those who died in Christ.

# **†** Service Participants **†**

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Edward Grimenstein

Seminarian: Joshua Ulm Music Director: Mark Killinger

The Organist: Douglas Krantz

The Elders: Mike Sterba & Mike Wallace
The Ushers: Carl Bauer, Gene Koop (8:00)

Ron Meier, Jack Oelschlager

Sam Dragan, Vince Kimberland (10:30)

Bill Koester & Chuck LaJeunesse

Altar Guild: Debbie LaJeunesse, Carolyn Wible &

Carrie Lemonovich

Join us on Sunday for our Easter Services.

8:00am Service

9:15 am - Easter Breakfast

10:30 am - Service