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GOOD FRIDAY March 29, 2024

Worshippers are asked to enter in silence

Prayer of the Day

Psalm 22 1-4 (intoned by the presider)

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

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

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

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

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

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

Gospel Acclamation (intoned by Presider)

Look to Jesus, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God. (Hebrews 12:2)*

THE PASSION of JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO St. JOHN

PART ONE: ***The Arrest*** John 18:1-11

Solo: “*Jesus Remember me, when you come into your kingdom*”

PART TWO: ***The Interrogation*** John 18:12-27

All Sing: “*Jesus Remember me, when you come into your kingdom*” (sung three times)

PART THREE: ***The Trial*** John 18:28-40

All Sing: “*Jesus Remember me, when you come into your kingdom*” (sung three times)

PART FOUR: ***The Verdict*** John 19:1-7

All Sing: "Jesus Remember me, when you come into your kingdom" (sung three times)

PART FIVE: ***The Sentence*** John 19:8-16a

Solo "Were You There when they crucified my Lord?" (verse one)

PART SIX: ***The Accusation*** John 19:16b-22

Hymn: ELW 353 Were You There when they nailed him to the tree?" (verse two) _____

PART SEVEN: ***The Execution*** John 19:23-30

Hymn: ELW 353 "Were You There when they pierced him in the side?" (verse three)

PART EIGHT: ***The Burial*** John 19:31-42

Hymn ELW 353: "Were You There when they laid him in the tomb?" (verse five)

Sermon

Hymn ELW# 352 "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded"

Bidding Prayers

Lord's Prayer

PROCLAMATION OF THE CROSS

The procession begins with the cross being brought into the church

Presider: "Behold the life-giving cross,
on which was hung the Saviour of the whole world.

All: O come, let us worship him

The cross is brought farther up the aisle

Presider: "Behold the life-giving cross,
on which was hung the Saviour of the whole world.

All: O come, let us worship him

The cross is now brought to the front of the chancel

Presider: “Behold the life-giving cross,
on which was hung the Saviour of the whole world.

All: O come, let us worship him

Moment of Silent Reflection

*You are invited to remain for a time of individual
prayer and reflection.*

Great Thanksgiving ELW page 152

“Holy, Holy” ELW page 153

Communion Prayers (#IV)

The Lord’s Prayer (sung)

“Lamb of God” ELW page 154

Distribution of Communion

Hymn #353 “Were You There”

Prayer after Communion

*God of abundance, with this bread of life
and cup of salvation you have united us with
Christ, making us one with all your people.
Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit
that we may proclaim your redeeming love
to the world and continue forever in the
risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen*

Sending

Blessing

Hymn #338 “Beneath the Cross of Jesus”

Dismissal