

2021 Good Friday Family Worship Service

Introduction

Good Friday is the day which we commemorate the suffering of Jesus Christ on the cross for us about 2000 years ago. Because of His death and shedding of blood on the cross for our sins, our sins are forgiven by our faith in Jesus Christ. We now stand righteous and holy without sin before God, reconciled with God and receive His blessings.

This Good Friday family worship consists of 3 parts: Scripture reading, hymn singing, meditation prayer.

The scriptures that we are reading today are all related to the suffering of Jesus. After every scripture reading, we will then sing a hymn. You may then quieten down to meditate and pray on the hymn or the scriptures that were just read

Let us together with our family, remember what our Lord Jesus Christ has done for us through the reading of God's words and the meditation and prayer during the hymn. Thus, I invite everyone at home to come before the Lord Jesus and quieten ourselves, and to solely remember the Lord with thanksgiving.

~ *Silent Meditation* ~

Call to Worship

Psalm 103:1-4

¹ Praise the LORD, my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name. ² Praise the LORD, my soul, and forget not all his benefits — ³ who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases, ⁴ who redeems your life from the pit and crowns you with love and compassion.

Hymn Singing

I Come to the Cross (p.123)

Scripture Reading

12 I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has given me strength, that he considered me trustworthy, appointing me to his service. **13** Even though I was once a blasphemer and a persecutor and a violent man, I was shown mercy because I acted in ignorance and unbelief. **14** The grace of our Lord was poured out on me abundantly, along with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. **15** Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the worst. **16** But for that very reason I was shown mercy so that in me, the worst of sinners, Christ Jesus might display his immense patience as an example for those who would believe in him and receive eternal life. **17** Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

1 Timothy 1:12-17

Prayer

(You may use your own prayer, or use the following prayer)

Dear Lord Jesus, thank you for Your sacrificial love for us. You suffered on the Cross for our transgressions, You shed your blood for us, that we may be saved by Grace and receive the blessings from God and the Eternal Life in Christ.

Today as we gather here to commemorate what the Lord had accomplished for us, let us offer our thanksgiving through our meditation and prayer. We commit this time unto You, may you lead each of us. In the name of Jesus Christ we pray,
Amen.

Scripture Reading

²⁰ But the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowd to ask for Barabbas and to have Jesus executed. ²¹ “Which of the two do you want me to release to you?” asked the governor. “Barabbas,” they answered. ²² “What shall I do, then, with Jesus who is called the Messiah?” Pilate asked. They all answered, “Crucify him!” ²³ “Why? What crime has he committed?” asked Pilate. But they shouted all the louder, “Crucify him!”

Matthew 27:20-23

²⁷ Then the governor’s soldiers took Jesus into the Praetorium and gathered the whole company of soldiers around him. ²⁸ They stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, ²⁹ and then twisted together a crown of thorns and set it on his head. They put a staff in his right hand. Then they knelt in front of him and mocked him. “Hail, king of the Jews!” they said. ³⁰ They spit on him, and took the staff and struck him on the head again and again. ³¹ After they had mocked him, they took off the robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him away to crucify him.

Matthew 27:27-31

Hymn Singing

A Purple Robe, a Crown of Thorn (p.7)

Scripture Reading

32 As they were going out, they met a man from Cyrene, named Simon, and they forced him to carry the cross. **33** They came to a place called Golgotha (which means “the place of the skull”). **34** There they offered Jesus wine to drink, mixed with gall; but after tasting it, he refused to drink it. **35** When they had crucified him, they divided up his clothes by casting lots. **36** And sitting down, they kept watch over him there. **37** Above his head they placed the written charge against him: THIS IS JESUS, THE KING OF THE JEWS.

Matthew 27:32-37

Hymn Singing

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded (p.205)

Scripture Reading

46 About three in the afternoon Jesus cried out in a loud voice, “Eli, Eli, lemasabachthani?” (which means “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”). **47** When some of those standing there heard this, they said, “He’s calling Elijah.” **48** Immediately one of them ran and got a sponge. He filled it with wine vinegar, put it on a staff, and offered it to Jesus to drink. **49** The rest said, “Now leave him alone. Let’s see if Elijah comes to save him.” **50** And when Jesus had cried out again in a loud voice, he gave up his spirit.

Matthew 27:46-50

Hymn Singing & Reflection
Alas! And did my Savior Bleed?

Good Friday Message
or
Sharing of “Meditation for Passion Week”

Scripture Reading & Respond

¹ After the Sabbath, at dawn on the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb. ² There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³ His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow. ⁴ The guards were so afraid of him that they shook and became like dead men. ⁵ The angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. ⁶ He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay.

Matthew 28:1-6

¹⁶ Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. ¹⁷ When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. ¹⁸ Then Jesus came to them and said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹ Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

Matthew 28:16-20

Hymn Singing & Reflection

Christ the Lord is Risen Today (P. 47)

~ Thanksgiving & Closing Prayer ~