



## GOOD FRIDAY

*Mt. Olive Lutheran Church & School, Evangelical Lutheran Synod*

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MARCH 25, 2016, 6:30 PM  
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*Order of Service, Rite One (p. 41)*

**~Opening Prayer** (p. 154, #58)

P: Almighty God, we pray that You would graciously behold this Your family, for which our Lord Jesus Christ was content to be betrayed into the hands of wicked men and 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 true God, now and forever. Amen.

**~Hymn 272** *O Sinner, Come, Thy Sin to Mourn*

**~Confession of Sin** (pp. 41-42, form II)

P: Let us confess our sins to God and pray: We poor sinners confess to You, O God, not only that we have been conceived and born in sin, but also that throughout life we have

often and in many ways offended You, our Lord and Maker, in thought, word and deed, so that You could with perfect justice reject and condemn us for all eternity.

Therefore we come before You with sorrow of heart, in dread and terror of Your holy justice and of everlasting death. Our sins are a grievous foe, which we should hate in every way as long as we live.

O merciful God, You still grant us in this hour to be reminded of Your fatherly goodness. According to the promise of Your Word we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, and implore You, dearest Father, for the sake of Jesus Christ, Your only-begotten Son, our Brother, who was delivered up for our trespasses and raised again for our justification:

Forgive us all our sins through faith, which the Holy Spirit increases in our hearts to full assurance.

**C: We therefore pray You, O Lord, through Your servant to declare to us the forgiveness of all our sins. We poor sinners are willing to forgive all who have offended against us. We earnestly desire to grow in true godliness. Help us, O God, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

~*Kyrie Eleison, Hymn 268 v. 6 My Sins are Countless as the Sands*

~**Absolution (p. 43, form II)**

P: Hear the holy and comforting Word of our Lord: Come unto Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. For God so loved the world that He gave His only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

Lift up your hearts! By the authority of God and of my holy office I forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

~**Collect (p. 154)**

P: Almighty and everlasting God, You willed that Your Son should bear for us the pains of the cross, that You might remove from us the power of the adversary: Help us to remember and give thanks for our Lord's Passion that we may obtain remission of sin and redemption from everlasting death; through the same, our Lord Jesus Christ.

**C: ♪ Amen.**

~Collect of Thanksgiving (p. 56)

P: Let us give thanks and pray: We thank You, Lord God Almighty, that You have refreshed us with these Your salutary gifts; and we beseech You of Your mercy, to strengthen us through the same in faith toward You, and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. C: ♪ Amen.

~Benediction (p. 59)

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

C: ♪ Amen, amen, amen.

~Hymn 334, 335 vv. 7-9 *The Joy Can Ne'er Be Spoken*

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Preacher: Pastor John J. Petersen / Liturgist: Pastor Luke Ulrich

Organist: Mark DeGarmeaux / Soloist: Sarah Leyrer / Accompanist: Dennis Marzolf  
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**Welcome!** In the name of our crucified Savior we welcome you to Mt. Olive and thank you for worshiping with us this evening. If you are a guest please fill out a guest card (found in the hymnbook rack) or sign our guest book in the entry. We invite you to come and worship with us again soon. **Large Print** copies of the order of service from the ELS Hymnary are available from the usher stand in the back of the sanctuary. **For the Hearing Impaired:** Our facility is equipped with a hearing assistance system. Please ask an usher for a receiver.

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Easter Sunday, March 27

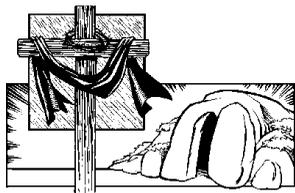
7:30AM: Divine Service (Sunrise)

8:30-9:30AM: Easter Breakfast by the Mt. Olive Sr. Youth Group

10AM: Divine Service with Holy Communion

~ Sermon Text: Luke 24:4-8

~ "Why Do You Look for the Living Among the Dead?"



~Hymn 297 *Stricken, Smitten and Afflicted*

~Passion History Reading #6 "Jesus' Death on the Cross"

~Vocal Solo "He Was Despised" – Handel

*He was despised and rejected of men, a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief.*

*He gave His back to the smiters, and His cheeks to them that plucked off the hair.*

*He hid not His face from shame and spitting.*

~Nicene Creed (p. 47)

P: Let us confess our holy faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

**C: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by Whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary and was made man and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spoke by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Christian and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the Resurrection of the dead and the Life of the world to come. ♪ Amen.**

~Hymn 339 *The Lord into His Father's Hands*

(v. 1, Soloist; vv. 2, 3, All)

~Sermon Text

**Colossians 2:13-15** When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your sinful nature, God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, having

canceled the written code, with its regulations, that was against us and that stood opposed to us; He took it away, nailing it to the cross. And having disarmed the powers and authorities, He made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.

~Sermon

*“The Victory of the Cross”*

~Good Friday Prayer

~Offering and Hymn 298 vv. 1, 6-8 *Sing, My Tongue, How Glorious Battle*

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\***Holy Communion:** *This evening the confirmed, communicant members of our fellowship come to receive the true body and blood of Christ in the Holy Supper. Here Christ gives us this treasure for the remission of our sins. As we commune together we also outwardly demonstrate the unity of faith which we confess. If you are a guest and wish to commune with us, please speak to one of our pastors. Thank you.*  
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*The Service of Holy Communion*

~Exhortation (pp. 52-53)

P: Dear friends in Christ! In order that you may receive this holy Sacrament worthily, it is good that you consider what you must now believe and do. From the words of Christ: “This is My body, which is given for you; this is My blood, which is shed for you for the remission of sin,” you should believe that Jesus Christ is Himself present with His body and blood, as the words declare.

From Christ’s words “For the remission of sins,” you should believe that Jesus Christ bestows upon you His body and blood to confirm unto you the forgiveness of all your sins.

And finally, you should do as Christ commands you when He says “Take, eat; drink of it, all of you,” and “This do in remembrance of Me.”

If you believe these words of Christ, and do as He therein has commanded, then you have rightly examined yourselves and may worthily eat Christ’s body and drink His blood for the forgiveness of all your sins.

You should also unite in giving thanks to Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for so great a gift, and should love one another with a pure heart, and thus with the whole Christian Church have comfort and joy in Christ our Lord. To this end may God the Father grant you His grace; through the same, our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

~Lord’s Prayer (p. 53)

**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 pow’r and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

~Words of Institution (p. 54)

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples saying: “Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.” In the same way also He took the cup after supper, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying: “Drink of it all of you; this cup is the New Testament in My blood, which is shed for you and for many, for the remission of sins. This do as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

~Agnus Dei (p. 55)

**C: ♪ O Christ, the Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, the Lamb of God. You take away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, the Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world, grant us Your peace. Amen.**

~Distribution

**Hymn 334, 335 vv. 1-6 *O Sacred Head, Now Wounded*  
Hymn 330 *Beneath the Cross of Jesus***

~Dismissal (p. 56)

P: Our crucified and risen Lord Jesus Christ, who has now bestowed upon you His holy body and blood, whereby He has made full satisfaction for all your sins, strengthen and preserve you in the true faith unto everlasting life. Peace be with you. Amen.