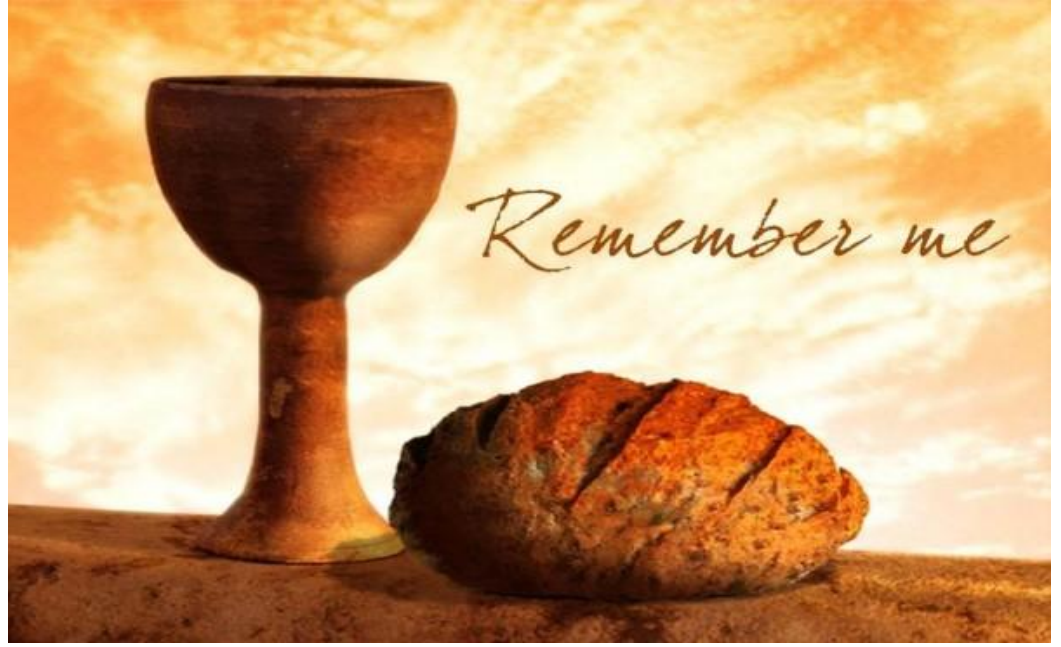


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## *Maundy Thursday/Good Friday combined service*

*March 29, 2024*

*6:00pm*



## **TABOR LUTHERAN CHURCH**

**March 29, 2024      Maundy Thursday/Good Friday Worship Service**  
*Holy Communion Setting - Now the Feast and Celebration by Marty Haugen*

### **INTRODUCTION**

*Every Sunday in worship the church celebrates the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. The Holy Spirit gathers us to receive again the gifts of God that come to us through Christ, the saving Word. On several key days at the center of the church year, however, worship takes a particular shape. These central days have come to be known as the Three Days, recalling Jesus' own words to his disciples that he would be handed over to death, and that "after three days he will rise again" (Mark 10:34). The Three Days encompass the time from Maundy Thursday evening through the evening of Easter Day. In particular, the services of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Vigil of Easter unfold in a single movement, as the church each year makes the passage with Christ through death into life.*

### **PRELUDE**

### **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

A very warm welcome to all who worship here at Tabor this evening.

*Please stand if you are able.*

### **GREETING**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Friends in Christ, in this Lenten season we have heard our Lord's call to struggle against sin, death, and the devil—all that keeps us from loving God and each other. This is the struggle to which we were called at baptism.

Within the community of the church, God never wearies of forgiving sin and giving the peace of reconciliation. On this night let us confess our sin against God and our neighbor, and enter the celebration of the great Three Days reconciled with God and with one another.

*All kneel or sit and keep silence for reflection and self-examination.*

Most merciful God,  
**we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.  
We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.  
Forgive us, renew us, and lead us,  
so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

*The presiding minister addresses the assembly.*

In the mercy of almighty God,  
Jesus Christ was given to die for us,  
and for his sake God forgives us all our sins.  
As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ  
and by his authority, I therefore declare to you  
the entire forgiveness of all your sins,  
in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

**OPENING HYMN:**

*When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

ELW 803

# When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'When I Survey the Wondrous Cross'. It consists of three systems of music, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a bass line (bass clef). The key signature has one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is common time (C). The lyrics are printed below the vocal line of each system.

1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross on which the  
2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast save in the  
3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sor - row and  
4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were a

prince of glo - ry died, my rich - est gain I  
death of Christ, my God; all the vain things that  
love flow min - gled down. Did e'er such love and  
pres - ent far too small; love so a - maz - ing,

count but loss and pour con - tempt on all my pride.  
charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to his blood.  
sor - row meet, or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?  
so di - vine, de - mands my soul, my life, my all.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748

Music: HAMBURG, Lowell Mason, 1792–1872

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, look with loving mercy on your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, to be given over to the hands of sinners, and to suffer death on the cross; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

**Amen.**

## LENTEN SENTENCE

*Congregation:*



Re - turn to God with all your heart, the Source of grace and

*Optional Repeat*



mer-cy; Come, seek the ten-der faith-ful-ness of God.

Text and Music: Marty Haugen; © 1990, GIA Publications, Inc.

The Holy gospel according to John the 13th Chapter.

**Glory to you O Lord.**

### **GOSPEL: John 13:1-17, 31b-35**

<sup>1</sup>Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. <sup>2</sup>The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper <sup>3</sup>Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, <sup>4</sup>got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. <sup>5</sup>Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. <sup>6</sup>He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" <sup>7</sup>Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." <sup>8</sup>Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." <sup>9</sup>Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" <sup>10</sup>Jesus said to him, "One who has bathed does not need to

wash, except for the feet, but is entirely clean. And you are clean, though not all of you." <sup>11</sup>For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, "Not all of you are clean." <sup>12</sup>After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table, he said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you?" <sup>13</sup>You call me Teacher and Lord — and you are right, for that is what I am. <sup>14</sup>So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. <sup>15</sup>For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. <sup>16</sup>Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. <sup>17</sup>If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them. <sup>31b</sup>"Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. <sup>32</sup>If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. <sup>33</sup>Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' <sup>34</sup>I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. <sup>35</sup>By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

The gospel of the Lord  
**Praise to you O Christ.**

*Please be seated.*

**SERMON**

Pastor Karen Matuska

*A brief silence for reflection*

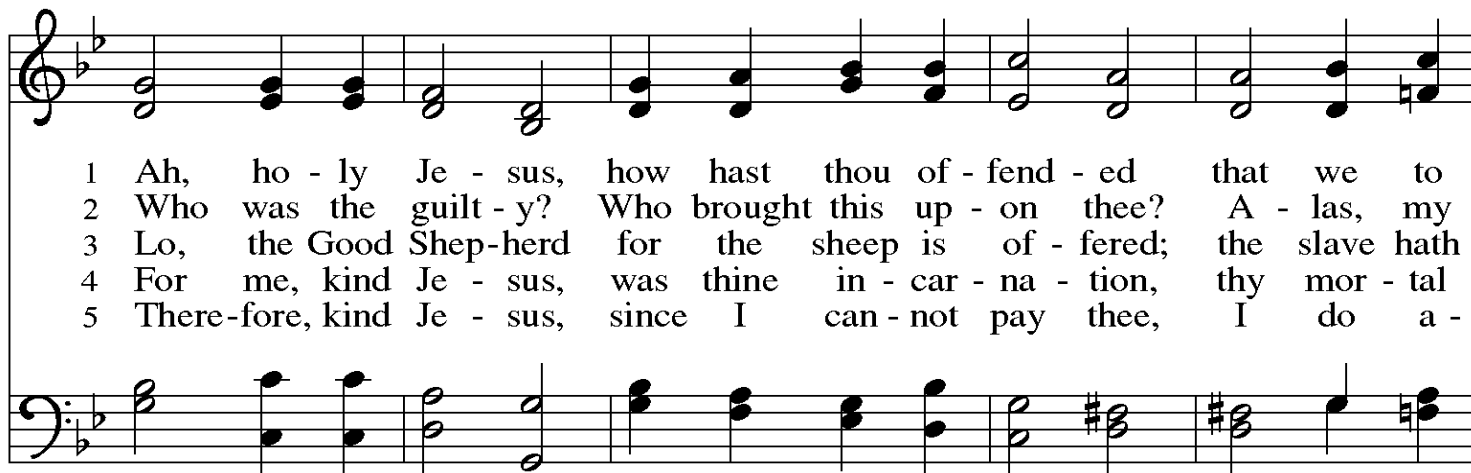
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**HYMN OF THE DAY**

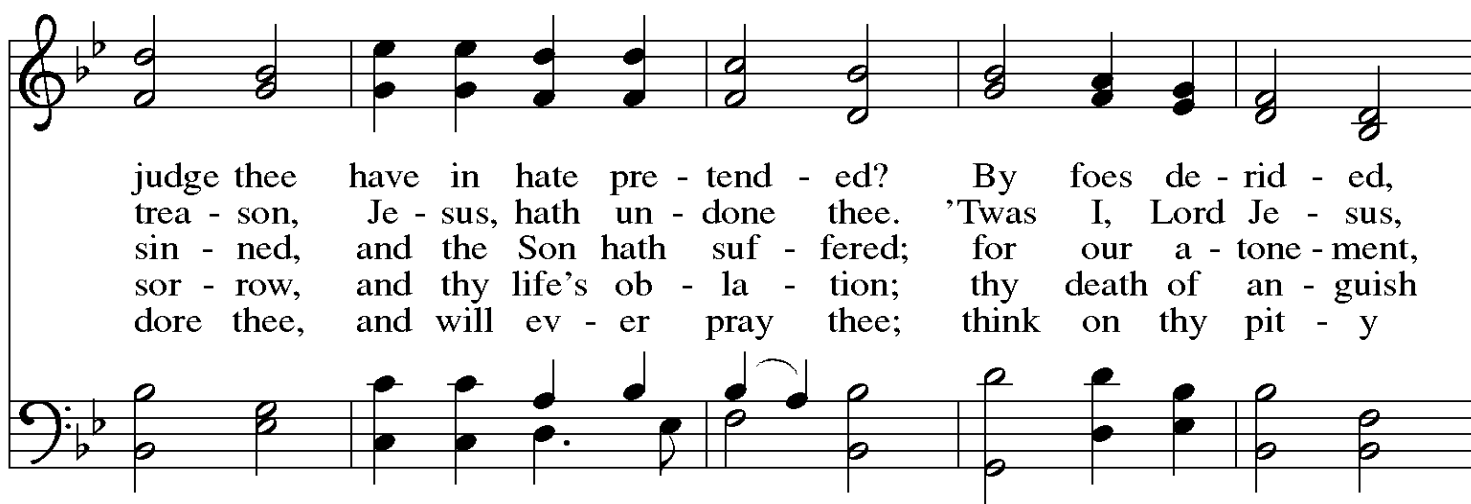
*Ah, Holy Jesus*

ELW 349

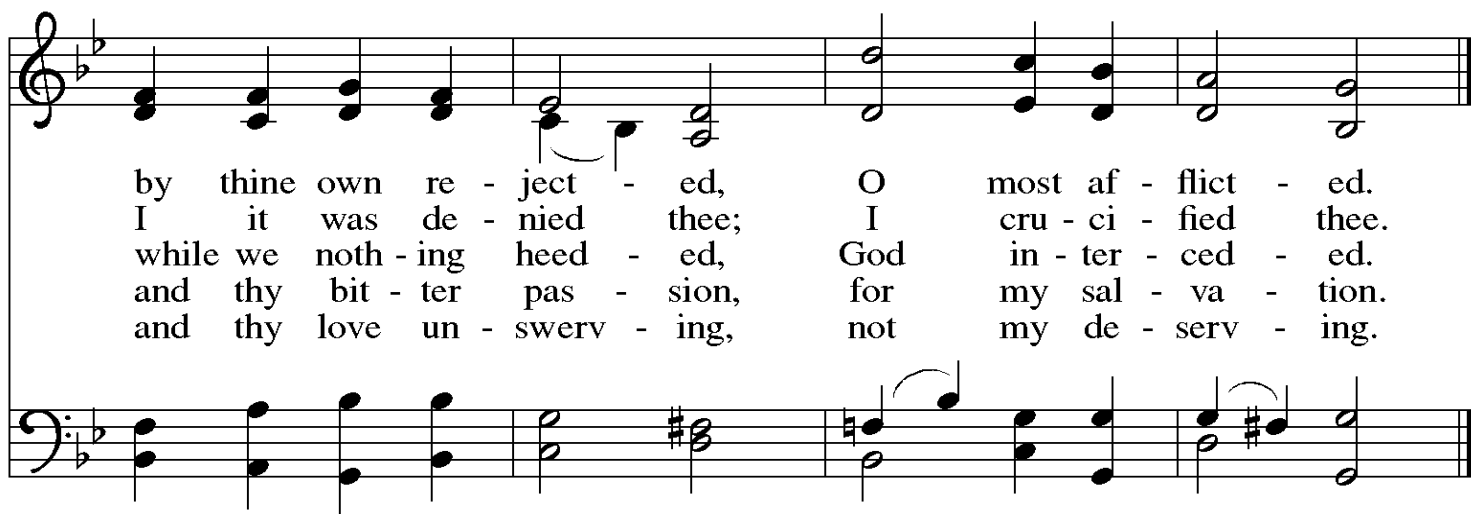
# Ah, Holy Jesus



1 Ah, ho - ly Je - sus, how hast thou of - fend - ed that we to  
 2 Who was the guilt - y? Who brought this up - on thee? A - las, my  
 3 Lo, the Good Shep - herd for the sheep is of - fered; the slave hath  
 4 For me, kind Je - sus, was thine in - car - na - tion, thy mor - tal  
 5 There - fore, kind Je - sus, since I can - not pay thee, I do a -



judge thee have in hate pre - tend - ed? By foes de - rid - ed,  
 trea - son, Je - sus, hath un - done thee. 'Twas I, Lord Je - sus,  
 sin - ned, and the Son hath suf - fered; for our a - tone - ment,  
 sor - row, and thy life's ob - la - tion; thy death of an - guish  
 dore thee, and will ev - er pray thee; think on thy pit - y



by thine own re - ject - ed, O most af - flict - ed.  
 I it was de - nied thee; I cru - ci - fied thee.  
 while we noth - ing heed - ed, God in - ter - ced - ed.  
 and thy bit - ter pas - sion, for my sal - va - tion.  
 and thy love un - swerv - ing, not my de - serv - ing.

Text: Johann Heermann, 1585–1647; tr. Robert Bridges, 1844–1930, alt.  
 Music: HERZLIEBSTER JESU, Johann Crüger, 1598–1662

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Trusting in Jesus who gave his life for the world, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

*A brief silence*

*Each petition ends with these words:*

Merciful God

**Receive our Prayer**

*The prayers conclude with these words.*

Receive these prayers, loving God, for the sake of the One who loved us to the end, Jesus Christ, our redeemer.

**Amen.**

## **MEAL**

### **PEACE**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say:*

***Peace be with you.***

*Please be seated.*

### **OFFERING OF GIFTS, TITHES AND MUSIC**

*Special Piano Music*

*Please stand if you are able.*



**OFFERTORY:**

ELW 188

**Create in Me a Clean Heart**  
*Offering Song*

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right

spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your

pres-ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re -

store un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,

and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

**OFFERING PRAYER**

Jesus, you are the bread of life  
and the host of this meal.

Bless these gifts that we have gathered  
that all people may know your goodness.

Feed us not only with this holy food  
but with hunger for justice and peace.

We pray this in your name.

**Amen.**

## DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
that we should at all times and in all places  
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,  
through our Savior Jesus Christ.

You call your people to cleanse their hearts  
and prepare with joy for the paschal feast,  
that, renewed in the gift of baptism,  
we may come to the fullness of your grace.

And so, with all the choirs of angels,  
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

*Congregation:*

The musical score is written on five staves. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#), and a common time signature (C). The music is in a homophonic style, with a steady rhythm. The lyrics are written below the notes. The second staff continues the melody, featuring a change in the time signature to 3/4. The third staff returns to common time. The fourth and fifth staves continue the melody, with the fifth staff ending with a double bar line. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and might; Heav - en and earth are filled with your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est! Bless - ed is the One who comes in your name. Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!"

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and  
might; Heav - en and earth are filled with your  
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est!  
Bless - ed is the One who comes in your name. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Blessed are you, O God of the universe...

...as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

O God of resurrection and new life...

...Grace our table with your presence.

**Come Holy Spirit.**

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread...

...Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love.

**Come Holy Spirit.**

With your holy ones of all times and places,

...we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come and receive Jesus,  
our strength in the wilderness.

**Thanks be to God!**

*Please be seated.*

# COMMUNION SONG

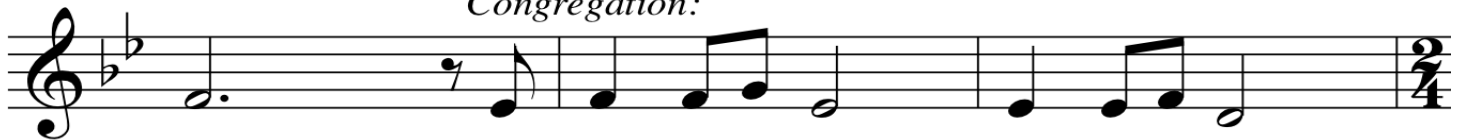
*Congregation:*

*Congregation or Assistant:*



Lamb of God,      you take a - way the sin of      the  
                                          you call us to the way of      your  
                                          you are the way of jus - tice      and  
                                          you are the way of mer - cy      and

*Congregation:*



world:                                      have mer - cy on us,                      mer - cy on us.  
 cross:  
 peace:  
 love.

## Final Stanza

*Congregation or Assistant:*



mer-cy      on      us.                      Lamb of God,      you

*Congregation:*



take a - way the sins of      the world:                      grant us peace,



grant us peace,                      grant us peace.

# COMMUNION HYMN

ELW 353

*Please repeat until Communion is complete*

## Were You There

1 Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? Were you there?  
2 Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?  
3 Were you there when they pierced him in the side?  
4 Were you there when the sun re - fused to shine?  
5 Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? Were you there?

Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? Were you there?  
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?  
Were you there when they pierced him in the side?  
Were you there when the sun re - fused to shine?  
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? Were you there?

### *Refrain*

Oh, some-times it caus-es me to trem-ble, trem-ble, trem-ble.

Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? Were you there?  
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?  
Were you there when they pierced him in the side?  
Were you there when the sun re - fused to shine?  
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? Were you there?

Text: African American spiritual  
Music: WERE YOU THERE, African American spiritual  
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*Please stand if you are able.*

### **COMMUNION BLESSING**

The body and the blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**Amen.**

### **PRAAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Lord Jesus, in a wonderful sacrament  
you strengthen us with the saving power  
of your suffering, death, and resurrection.  
May this sacrament of your body and blood  
so work in us that the fruits of your redemption  
will show forth in the way we live,  
for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

### **STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR**

*Listen and reflect as the pastor reads Psalm 22.*

*When the stripping of the altar is complete, please stand as you are able and turn to face the cross.*

## **PROCESSION OF THE CROSS**

*The Good Friday portion of the Three Days liturgy - which comprises Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Vigil - concludes with an opportunity for us to proclaim our confidence in Christ's triumph on the cross.*

So they took Jesus; and carrying the cross by himself, he went out to what is called The Place of the Skull, which in Hebrew is call Golgotha. There they crucified him, and with him, two others, one on either side, with Jesus between them. Pilate also had an inscription written and put on the cross. It read, "Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews." Many of the Jews read this inscription, because the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city; and it was written in Hebrew, in Latin and in Greek. Then the chief priests of the Jews said to Pilate, "Do not write, 'The King of the Jews', but '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 clothes and divided them into four parts, one for each soldier. They also took his tunic; now the tunic was seamless, woven in one piece from the top. So they said to one another, "Let us not tear it, but cast lots for it to see who will get it." This was to fulfill what the scripture says, "They divided my clothes among themselves, and for my clothing the cast lots." And that is what the soldiers did. Meanwhile, standing near 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 beside her, he said to his mother, "Woman, here is your son." Then he said to the disciple, "Here is your mother." And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home. After this, when Jesus knew that all was now finished, he said (in order to fulfill the scripture), "I am thirsty." A jar full of sour wine was standing there. So they put a sponge full of the wine on a branch of hyssop and held it to his mouth. When Jesus had received the wine, he said, "It is finished." Then he bowed his head and gave up his spirit. (John 19:16b-30)

*As the cross is carried in procession, the presiding minister will speak and the congregation will respond. This is done three times as the cross moves forward toward the altar.*

Behold the life-giving cross,  
on which was hung the Savior of the whole world.  
**O come, let us worship him.**

*Please whisper as we pray:*

**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.**

We adore you, O Christ and we bless you.

**By your holy cross you have redeemed the world.**

*You are invited to reverently come forward and touch the cross and then leave in silence.*

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- *We will be having Easter Breakfast at 8:30am on Easter Sunday, March 31st. Council will provide the main dish. Please sign up to bring breakfast breads/muffins, fruit and juice, as well as setup and clean up. Sign-up sheet is on the table in the Narthex.*
- *Easter Sunday worship is on March 31st at 9:30am. Please invite your family and friends to join!*
- *Our Easter Egg Hunt will be after church on Easter Sunday. All children - walking toddlers to 6th grade are invited. Please bring your own basket and join in the fun!*