

St. John's Episcopal Church

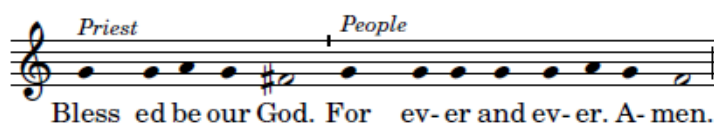
Good Friday

Holy Eucharist
March 29, 2024 · 7:00 PM

*All are welcome to worship God in this place.
In church before the service, please respect others by being silent.
Bold print indicates all the people shall read aloud*

SILENT PROCESSION

Once the choir and clergy are in place, please kneel as you are able.



Presider Let us pray.

Almighty God, we pray you graciously to behold this your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, and given into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death upon the cross; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All **Amen.**

THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 52:13-53:12

Reader A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

See, my servant shall prosper; he shall be exalted and lifted up, and shall be very high. Just as there were many who were astonished at him -so marred was his appearance, beyond human semblance, and his form beyond that of mortals-so he shall startle many nations; kings shall shut their mouths because of him; for that which had not been told them they shall see, and that which they had not heard they shall contemplate.

Who has believed what we have heard? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed? For he grew up before him like a young plant, and like a root out of dry ground; he had no form or majesty that we should look at him, nothing in his appearance that we should desire him.

He was despised and rejected by others; a man of suffering and acquainted with infirmity; and as one from whom others hide their faces he was despised, and we held him of no account. Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed.

All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth.

By a perversion of justice he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future? For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people. They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth.

Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him with pain. When you make his life an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the LORD shall prosper. Out of his anguish he shall see light; he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge. The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities.

Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out himself to death, and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 22: 1-II

Deus, Deus meus



1. My God, my God, why have | you forsaken me? *
and are so far from my cry
and from the | words of my *distress*?
2. O my God, I cry in the daytime, but you | do not answer; *
by night as well, | but I *find no* rest.
3. Yet you | are the **Holy** One, *
enthroned upon the | praises of **Israel**.
4. Our forefathers | put their **trust** in you; *
they trusted, and | you *delivered* them.
5. They cried out to you and | were delivered; *
they trusted in you and | were not *put to* shame.
6. But as for me, I am a | worm and **no** man, *
scorned by all and | despised by the *people*.
7. All who see me laugh | me to **scorn**; *
they curl their lips and | wag their *heads, saying*,
8. "He trusted in the LORD: let | him deliver him; *
let him rescue him, if | he *delights in* him."
9. Yet you are he who took me out | of the **womb**, *
and kept me safe up|on my *mother's* breast.
10. I have been entrusted to you ever since | I was **born**; *
you were my God when I was still | in my *mother's* womb.
11. Be not far from me, for trouble is **near**, *
and | there is *none to* help.

THE SECOND LESSON

Hebrews 10:16-25

Reader A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

The Holy Spirit testifies saying, "This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord: I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds," he also adds, "I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more." Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.

Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN Were You There when They Crucified My Lord?

Hymnal - 172

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

there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? Oh! _____
 there when they nailed him to the tree? Oh! _____
 there when they pierced him in the side? Oh! _____
 there when they laid him in the tomb? Oh! _____

Some-times it caus - es me to trem-ble, trem-ble,
 Some-times it caus - es me to trem-ble, trem-ble,
 Some-times it caus - es me to trem-ble, trem-ble,
 Some-times it caus - es me to trem-ble, trem-ble,

trem-ble. Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?
 trem-ble. Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
 trem-ble. Were you there when they pierced him in the side?
 trem-ble. Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

THE PASSION OF JESUS CHRIST

See insert John 18:1- 19:42

*The congregation is seated until indicated by *. The presider introduces the Gospel, saying*

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

SERMON

The Rev. Abraham Allende

THE SOLEMN COLLECTS

Book of Common Prayer - 277

All standing, the cantor begins with the biddings:

Dear People of God: Our heavenly Father sent his Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world through him might be saved; that all who believe in him might be delivered from the power of sin and death, and become heirs with him of everlasting life.

We pray, therefore, for people everywhere according to their needs.

Let us pray for the holy Catholic Church of Christ throughout the world;

For its unity in witness and service

For all bishops and other ministers and the people whom they serve

For *The Rt. Rev. Anne B. Jolly*, our Bishop, and all the people of this diocese

For all Christians in this community

For those about to be baptized

That God will confirm his Church in faith, increase it in love, and preserve it in peace.

The Rev. Abraham Allende will continue with the Collects.

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Let us pray for all nations and peoples of the earth, and for those in authority among them;

For *Joe Biden*, the President of the United States

For the Congress and the Supreme Court

For the Members and Representatives of the United Nations

For all who serve the common good

That by God's help they may seek justice and truth, and live in peace and concord.

Silence

Almighty God, kindle, we pray, in every heart the true love of peace, and guide with your wisdom those who take counsel for the nations of the earth; that in tranquility your dominion may increase, until the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Let us pray for all who suffer and are afflicted in body or in mind;

For the hungry and the homeless, the destitute and the oppressed

For the sick, the wounded, and the crippled

For those in loneliness, fear, and anguish

For those who face temptation, doubt, and despair

For the sorrowful and bereaved

For prisoners and captives, and those in mortal danger

That God in his mercy will comfort and relieve them, and grant them the knowledge of his love, and stir up in us the will and patience to minister to their needs.

Gracious God, the comfort of all who sorrow, the strength of all who suffer: Let the cry of those in misery and need come to you, that they may find your mercy present with them in all their afflictions; and give us, we pray, the strength to serve them for the sake of him who suffered for us, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Let us pray for all who have not received the Gospel of Christ;

For those who have never heard the word of salvation

For those who have lost their faith

For those hardened by sin or indifference

For the contemptuous and the scornful

For those who are enemies of the cross of Christ and persecutors of his disciples

For those who in the name of Christ have persecuted others

That God will open their hearts to the truth, and lead them to faith and obedience.

Silence

Merciful God, creator of all the peoples of the earth and lover of souls: Have compassion on all who do not know you as you are revealed in your Son Jesus Christ; let your Gospel be preached with grace and power to those who have not heard it; turn the hearts of those who resist it; and bring home to your fold those who have gone astray; that there may be one flock under one shepherd, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Let us commit ourselves to God, and pray for the grace of a holy life, that, with all who have departed this world and have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to God alone, we may be accounted worthy to enter into the fullness of the joy of our Lord, and receive the crown of life in the day of resurrection.

Silence

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light: Look favorably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; by the effectual working of your providence, carry out in tranquility the plan of salvation; let the whole world see and know that things which were cast down are being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are being brought to their perfection by him through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

A wooden cross will now be brought into the church and placed in the sight of the people.

THE VENERATION OF THE CROSS

A wooden cross is brought forward. As the cross is brought forward, the presider stops three times and says

Behold, behold the Wood of the Cross, on which is hung our salvation.

O come let us adore.

You are welcome to come forward to show your devotion to the cross of Christ. It is appropriate to bow, kneel, touch or kiss the cross.

THE REPROACHES

Richard Konzen

O my people, what have I done unto thee?

Or wherein have I wearied thee?

Testify against me.

5 Because I brought thee forth from the land of Egypt

thou hast prepared a Cross for thy Savior.

Hagios, O Theos, Holy God.

Hagios, ischyros. Holy and strong.

Hagios athanatos, eleison ymas.

Holy and immortal, have mercy upon us.

Because I led thee through the desert forty years and fed thee with manna
and brought thee into a land exceeding good,
thou hast prepared a Cross for thy Savior.

Hagios, ...

What more could I have done for thee that I have not done?

I indeed did plant thee my vineyard, exceeding fair,
but thou art become very bitter unto me
for vinegar thou gavest to quench my thirst,
and hast pierced with a spear the side of my Savior.

Hagios, ...

I did scourge Egypt with her first-born for thy sake
and thou hast delivered me unto the Chief Priests.

O my people, ...

I led thee out of Egypt, drowning Pharaoh in the Red Sea
and thou hast delivered me unto the Chief Priests.

O my people, ...

I opened the sea before thee
and thou hast opened my side with a spear.

O my people, ...

I led thee on thy way in a pillar of cloud
and thou hast led me unto the judgment hall of Pilate.

O my people, ...

I fed thee with manna in the desert
and thou hast stricken me with blows and scourges.

O my people, ...

I gave thee to drink of the water of salvation from the rock
and thou hast given me gall and vinegar to drink

O my people, ...

For thee I smote the kings of Canaan
and thou hast smitten my head with a reed.

O my people, ...

I gave thee a royal scepter
and thou hast given unto my head a crown of thorns.

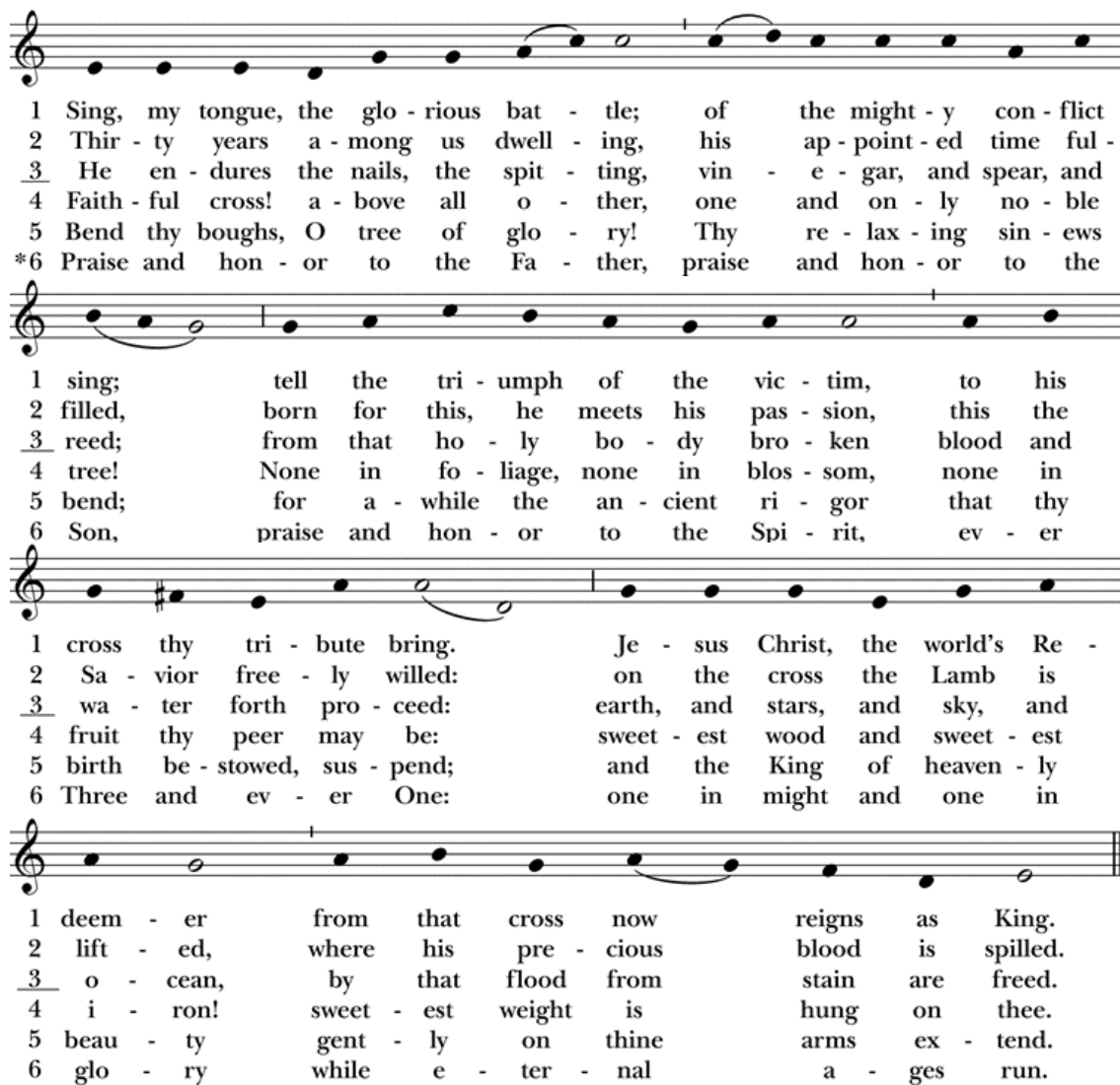
O my people,...

I exalted thee with great power
and thou hast hanged me upon the gibbet of the Cross.

O my people,

HYMN Sing, My Tongue, the Glorious Battle

Hymnal - 166



1 Sing, my tongue, the glo - rious bat - tle; of the might - y con - flict
2 Thir - ty years a - mong us dwell - ing, his ap - point - ed time ful -
3 He en - dures the nails, the spit - ting, vin - e - gar, and spear, and
4 Faith - ful cross! a - bove all o - ther, one and on - ly no - ble
5 Bend thy boughs, O tree of glo - ry! Thy re - lax - ing sin - ews
*6 Praise and hon - or to the Fa - ther, praise and hon - or to the

1 sing; tell the tri - umph of the vic - tim, to his
2 filled, born for this, he meets his pas - sion, this the
3 reed; from that ho - ly bo - dy bro - ken blood and
4 tree! None in fo - liage, none in blos - som, none in
5 bend; for a - while the an - cient ri - gor that thy
6 Son, praise and hon - or to the Spi - rit, ev - er

1 cross thy tri - bute bring. Je - sus Christ, the world's Re -
2 Sa - vior free - ly willed: on the cross the Lamb is
3 wa - ter forth pro - ceed: earth, and stars, and sky, and
4 fruit thy peer may be: sweet - est wood and sweet - est
5 birth be - stowed, sus - pend; and the King of heaven - ly
6 Three and ev - er One: one in might and one in

1 deem - er from that cross now reigns as King.
2 lift - ed, where his pre - cious blood is spilled.
3 o - cean, by that flood from stain are freed.
4 i - ron! sweet - est weight is hung on thee.
5 beau - ty gent - ly on thine arms ex - tend.
6 glo - ry while e - ter - nal a - ges run.

A CONFESSION OF SIN

Book of Common Prayer 360

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All Most merciful God, we confess that 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. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. *Amen.*

Priest Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

All *Amen.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Presider And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All praying together

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,
for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE INVITATION

Please let Rev. Allende know if you prefer gluten free wafers.

The presider invites the congregation forward to receive Holy Communion with these words

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died
for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

HOLY COMMUNION

CLOSING PRAYER

Book of Common Prayer 282

Presider Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, we pray you to set your passion, cross, and
death between your judgment and our souls, now and in the hour of our death. Give mer-
cy and grace to the living; pardon and rest to the dead; to your holy Church peace and
concord; and to us sinners everlasting life and glory; for with the Father and the Holy
Spirit you live and reign, one God, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

THE TOLLING OF THE BELL (please remain seated)

PLEASE DEPART IN SILENCE AND GO IN PEACE.

Today's offering may be given as you leave the church.

The offering will be sent to the Diocese of Jerusalem.

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Church in Jerusalem and the Middle East through the Good Friday Offering.*

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Many thanks to contributions made in honor of loved
ones for flowers and aumbrey candle each week.

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