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## Good Friday Liturgy

April 19, 2019

9.00 a.m.

### WELCOME

*A warm and sincere welcome to all those worshipping with us today. If you are a visitor please sign our Guest Book. For further assistance, please speak to one of our Ushers.*

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*“A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another, as I have loved you.....” John 13: 34*

**α ORDER OF SERVICE α**

**GOOD FRIDAY**

**THE CELEBRATION OF THE LORD’S PASSION**

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*The Choir, will process into the church in silence.*

*The Servants of the Sanctuary and Clergy will process into the church from the Vestry after Vestry Devotions.*

**The Introduction: Page 236**

**The President says:**

**All we like sheep have gone astray;  
we have turned everyone to his own way.**

People: And the Lord has laid on Him the iniquity of us all.

**President: Christ the Lord became obedient unto death.**

People: Even death on a cross.

**The Prayer of Penitence:**

People:

Almighty God, Our heavenly Father, we have sinned in thought and word and deed; we have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves; we have not loved ourselves as we ought. We pray you of your mercy, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may serve you in newness of life, to the glory of your name. **Amen.**

## **The Collect of the Day: Good Friday**

**President:** Let us Pray

**Almighty God, look graciously, we pray on 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. Amen.**

## **MINISTRY OF THE WORD**

**1<sup>st</sup> Lesson: Isaiah 52:13-53:12** Eucharistic Minister

**READER: A reading from the word of God, written in Isaiah Chapter 52, beginning to read at the 13<sup>th</sup> verse.**

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.

*The word of the Lord*

***ALL : Thanks be to God***

**PSALM:                    22                    page 493 (BCP)**

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 rusted, 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 upon 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.
12.    Many young bulls encircle me;\* strong bulls of Bashan surround me.
13.    They open wide their jaws at me,\* like a ravening and a roaring lion.
14.    I am poured out like water; all my bones are out of joint;\* my heart within my breast is melting wax.

15. My mouth is dried out like a pot-sherd; my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth;\* and you have laid me in the dust of the grave.
16. Packs of dogs close me in, and gangs of evildoers circle around me;\* they pierce my hands and my feet; I can count all my bones.
17. They stare and gloat over me;\* they divide my garments among them; they cast lots for my clothing.
18. Be not far away, O Lord;\* you are my strength; hasten to help me.
19. Save me from the sword,\* my life from the power of the dog.
20. Save me from the lion's mouth,\* my wretched body from the horns of wild bulls.
21. I will declare your name to my brethren;\* in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.
22. Praise the Lord, you that fear him;\* stand in awe of him, O offspring of Israel; all you of Jacob's line, give glory.
23. For he does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty; neither does he hide his face from them;\* but when they cry to him he hears them.
24. My praise is of him in the great assembly;\* I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.
25. The poor shall eat and be satisfied, and those who seek the Lord shall praise him:\* "May your heart live for ever!"
26. All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord,\* and all the families of the nation shall bow before him.
27. For kingship belongs to the Lord;\* he rules over the nations.
28. To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship;\* all who go down to the dust fall before him.
29. My soul shall live for him; my descendants shall serve him;\* they shall be known as the Lord's for ever.
30. They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn\* the saving deeds that he has done.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son:\* and to the Holy Spirit

As it was in the beginning is now \*and ever shall be, world without end....**Amen**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Lesson: Hebrews 10: 1-25**

Eucharistic Minister

**READER: A reading from the word of God, written in Hebrew Chapter 10, beginning to read at the 1<sup>st</sup> verse.**

"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.

*The word of the Lord*

***ALL : Thanks be to God***

**Hymn: CH 139**

1. Sweet the moments, rich in blessing,  
which before the cross I spend,  
life, and health, and peace possessing  
from the sinner's dying friend.
2. Here I rest, for ever viewing  
mercy poured in streams of blood;  
precious drops, my soul bedewing,  
plead and claim my peace with God.
3. Truly blessed is the station,  
low before his cross to lie,  
while I see divine compassion  
beaming in his languid eye.
4. Lord, in ceaseless contemplation  
fix my thankful heart on thee,  
till I taste thy full salvation,  
and thine unveiled glory see.

**Gospel:**            **John 18: 1-27** *(Read from the Pulpit or Lectern)*

Reader: The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

After Jesus had spoken these words, he went out with his disciples across the Kidron valley to a place where there was a garden, which he and his disciples entered. Now Judas, who betrayed him, also knew the place, because Jesus often met there with his disciples. So Judas brought a detachment of soldiers together with police from the chief priests and the Pharisees, and they came there with lanterns and torches and weapons. Then Jesus, knowing all that was to happen to him, came forward and asked them, "Whom are you looking for?" They answered, "Jesus of Nazareth." Jesus replied, "I am he." Judas, who betrayed him, was standing with them. When Jesus said to them, "I am he," they stepped back and fell to the ground. Again he asked them, "Whom are you looking for?" And they said, "Jesus of Nazareth." Jesus answered, "I told you that I am he. So if you are looking for me, let these men go." This was to fulfill the word that he had spoken, "I did not lose a single one of those whom you gave me." Then Simon Peter, who had a sword, drew it, struck the high priest's slave, and cut off his right ear. The slave's name was Malchus. Jesus said to Peter, "Put your sword back into its sheath. Am I not to drink the cup that the Father has given me?" So the soldiers, their officer, and the Jewish police arrested Jesus and bound him. First they took him to Annas, who was the father-in-law of Caiaphas, the high priest that year. Caiaphas was the one who had advised the Jews that it was better to have one person die for the people. Simon Peter and another disciple followed Jesus. Since that disciple was known to the high priest, he went with Jesus into the courtyard of the high priest, but Peter was standing outside at the gate. So the other disciple, who was known to the high priest, went out, spoke to the woman who guarded the gate, and brought Peter in. The woman said to Peter, "You are not also one of this man's disciples, are you?" He said, "I am not." Now the slaves and the police had made a charcoal fire because it was cold, and they were standing around it and warming themselves. Peter also was standing with them and warming himself. Then the high priest questioned Jesus about his disciples and about his teaching. Jesus answered, "I have spoken openly to the world; I have always taught in synagogues and in the temple, where all the Jews come together. I have said nothing in secret. Why do you ask me? Ask those who heard what I said to them; they know what I said." When he had said this, one of the police standing nearby struck Jesus on the face, saying, "Is that how you answer the high priest?" Jesus answered, "If I have spoken wrongly, testify to the wrong. But if I have spoken rightly, why do you strike me?" Then Annas sent him bound to Caiaphas the high priest. Now Simon Peter was standing and warming himself. They asked him, "You are not also one of his disciples, are you?" He denied it and said, "I am not." One of the slaves of the high priest, a relative of the man whose ear Peter had cut off, asked, "Did I not see you in the garden with him?" Again Peter denied it, and at that moment the cock crowed.

## Sermon 1

### Hymn: CH 142

1. O sacred head, surrounded  
by crown of piercing thorn!  
O bleeding head, so wounded,  
so shamed and put to scorn!  
Death's pallid hue comes o'er thee,  
the glow of life decays;  
yet angel-hosts adore thee,  
and tremble as they gaze
  
2. Thy comeliness and vigour  
is withered up and gone,  
and in thy wasted figure  
I see death drawing on.  
O agony and dying!  
O love to sinners free!  
Jesu, all grace supplying,  
turn thou thy face on me.
  
3. In this thy bitter passion,  
Good Shepherd, think of me  
with thy most sweet compassion,  
unworthy though I be:  
beneath thy cross abiding  
for ever would I rest,  
in thy dear love confiding,  
and with thy presence blest.

### Gospel: John 18: 28-19:16 (*Read from the Pulpit or Lectern*)

Then they took Jesus from Caiaphas to Pilate's headquarters. It was early in the morning. They themselves did not enter the headquarters, so as to avoid ritual defilement and to be able to eat the Passover. So Pilate went out to them and said, "What accusation do you bring against this man?" They answered, "If this man were not a criminal, we would not have handed him over to you." Pilate said to them, "Take him yourselves and judge him according to your law." The Jews replied, "We are not permitted to put anyone to death." (This was to fulfill what Jesus had said when he indicated the kind of death he was to die.) Then Pilate entered the

headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice." Pilate asked him, "What is truth?" After he had said this, he went out to the Jews again and told them, "I find no case against him. But you have a custom that I release someone for you at the Passover. Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?" They shouted in reply, "Not this man, but Barabbas!" Now Barabbas was a bandit. Then Pilate took Jesus and had him flogged. And the soldiers wove a crown of thorns and put it on his head, and they dressed him in a purple robe. They kept coming up to him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!" and striking him on the face. Pilate went out again and said to them, "Look, I am bringing him out to you to let you know that I find no case against him." So Jesus came out, wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe. Pilate said to them, "Here is the man!" When the chief priests and the police saw him, they shouted, "Crucify him! Crucify him!" Pilate said to them, "Take him yourselves and crucify him; I find no case against him." The Jews answered him, "We have a law, and according to that law he ought to die because he has claimed to be the Son of God." Now when Pilate heard this, he was more afraid than ever. He entered his headquarters again and asked Jesus, "Where are you from?" But Jesus gave him no answer. Pilate therefore said to him, "Do you refuse to speak to me? Do you not know that I have power to release you, and power to crucify you?" Jesus answered him, "You would have no power over me unless it had been given you from above; therefore the one who handed me over to you is guilty of a greater sin." From then on Pilate tried to release him, but the Jews cried out, "If you release this man, you are no friend of the emperor. Everyone who claims to be a king sets himself against the emperor." When Pilate heard these words, he brought Jesus outside and sat on the judge's bench at a place called The Stone Pavement, or in Hebrew Gabbatha. Now it was the day of Preparation for the Passover; and it was about noon. He said to the Jews, "Here is your King!" They cried out, "Away with him! Away with him! Crucify him!" Pilate asked them, "Shall I crucify your King?" The chief priests answered, "We have no king but the emperor." Then he handed him over to them to be crucified.

## **Sermon 2**

**Hymn: CH 147**

1. When I survey the wondrous cross  
on which the Prince of Glory died,  
my richest gain I count but loss,  
and pour contempt on all my pride.
2. Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast  
save in the cross of Christ my God;  
all the vain things that charm me most,  
I sacrifice them to his blood.
3. See from his head, his hands, his feet,  
sorrow and love flow mingling down;  
did e'er such love and sorrow meet,  
or thorns compose so rich a crown?
4. Were the whole realm of nature mine,  
that were an offering far too small;  
love so amazing, so divine,  
demands my soul, my life, my all.

**The Solemn Intercession: Page 238 -242 BCP** (*congregation stands*)

*All standing, the deacon or other person appointed says to the people,*

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 eternal life.

*The people may be directed to kneel or stand. The biddings may be read by a deacon  
or other person appointed. The silence should be of significant length. The  
President says the collects.*

DEACON/LEADER

Let us pray for the one holy catholic and apostolic 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 N our bishop and all the people of this diocese, for all  
christians in this community, particularly for those about to be baptized, that the Lord  
will confirm his Church in faith, increase it in love, and preserve it in peace.

*Silence*

DEACON/LEADER

Let us pray for all who suffer  
and are afflicted in body or mind:  
for the hungry and homeless,  
the destitute and the oppressed,  
and all who suffer persecution or prejudice,  
for the sick, the wounded, the handicapped and the disabled,  
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.

*Silence*

PRESIDENT:

Gracious God,  
the comfort of all who sorrow, the strength of all who suffer, hear the cry of those in  
misery and need. In their afflictions show them your mercy, 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.

**ALL Amen.**

DEACON/LEADER

Let us pray for all who have  
not received the gospel of Christ.  
For all who have not heard the saving gospel of Christ.  
For all who have lost their faith,  
for all whose sin has made them indifferent to Christ,  
for all who actively oppose Christ by word or deed,  
for all who are enemies of the cross of Christ,  
and persecutors of his disciples,  
for all 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*

PRESIDENT:

Merciful God,  
creator of 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, and bring home to your fold those who have gone astray; that there may be one flock under one shepherd, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**ALL      Amen.**

DEACON/LEADER

Let us pray for all places of education and learning:  
Let us pray for all engaged in promoting  
And fostering education in schools, colleges and universities.  
That all who teach in them may be endowed with knowledge, wisdom and understanding,

and may seek to be guided in all their acts.

That students may accept with gratitude

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That students may accept with gratitude  
and humility the opportunities to use God's gifts  
of mind and intellect.

That the Spirit of truth may enlighten their learning,  
enlarge their understanding,  
and inspire their growth in mature judgement.

*Silence*

PRESIDENT:

Almighty God,

you are the source of truth and your Spirit leads us into the truth. May all who teach  
and all who learn in our schools, colleges and universities, be set free from  
everything; and finding truth, may they learn to use it for the good of mankind and  
for your greater glory.

**ALL Amen**

DEACON/LEADER

Let us commit ourselves to God,  
and pray for the grace of a holy life,  
that with all who have departed this life  
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*

**PRESIDENT:**

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light, look favourably 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 now being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are being brought to 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, for ever and ever.

**ALL Amen.**

**Hymn: CH 133**

1. Jesus, keep me near the cross,  
there's a precious fountain;  
free to all, a healing stream  
flows from Calvary's mountain.

***Refrain:***

*In the cross, in the cross,  
be my glory ever;  
till my raptured soul shall find  
rest beyond the river.*

2. Near the cross, a trembling soul,  
love and mercy found me;  
there the bright and Morning Star  
sheds its beams around me.

***Refrain:***

*In the cross, in the cross,  
be my glory ever;  
till my raptured soul shall find  
rest beyond the river.*

3. Near the cross! O Lamb of God,  
bring its scenes before me;  
help me walk from day to day  
with its shadows o'er me.

***Refrain:***

*In the cross, in the cross,  
be my glory ever;  
till my raptured soul shall find  
rest beyond the river*

4. Near the cross, I'll watch and wait,  
hoping, trusting ever,  
till I reach the golden strand  
just beyond the river.

***Refrain:***

*In the cross, in the cross,  
be my glory ever;  
till my raptured soul shall find  
rest beyond the river*

## **Presentation by Choir**

**Gospel:            John 19: 17-42** *(Read from the Pulpit or Lectern)*

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 called 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 they 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. Since it was the day of Preparation, the Jews did not want the bodies left on the cross during the sabbath, especially because that sabbath was a day of great solemnity. So they asked Pilate to have the legs of the crucified men broken and the bodies removed. Then the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first and of the other who had been crucified with him. But when they came to Jesus and saw that he was already dead, they did not break his legs. Instead, one of the soldiers pierced his side with a spear, and at once blood and water came out. (He who saw this has testified so that you also may believe. His testimony is true, and he knows that he tells the truth.) These things occurred so that the scripture might be fulfilled, "None of his bones shall be broken." And again another passage of scripture says, "They will look on the one whom they have pierced." After these things, Joseph of Arimathea, who was a disciple of Jesus, though a secret one because of his fear of the Jews, asked Pilate to let him take away the body of Jesus. Pilate gave him permission; so he came and removed his body. Nicodemus, who had at first come to Jesus by night, also came, bringing a mixture of myrrh and aloes, weighing about a hundred pounds. They took the body of Jesus and wrapped it with the spices in linen cloths, according to the burial custom of the Jews. Now there was a garden in the place where he was crucified, and in the garden there was a new tomb in which no one had ever been laid. And so, because it was the Jewish day of Preparation, and the tomb was nearby, they laid Jesus there.

### **Sermon 3**

**Hymn:**                    **CH 131**

1.        Glory be to Jesus,  
          who, in bitter pains,  
          poured for me the life-blood  
          from his sacred veins.

2. Grace and life eternal  
in that blood I find;  
blest be his compassion  
infinitely kind.
3. Blest through endless ages  
be the precious stream  
which from endless torments  
did the world redeem.
4. Abel's blood for vengeance  
pleaded to the skies;  
but the blood of Jesus  
for our pardon cries.
5. Oft as it is sprinkled  
on our guilty hearts,  
Satan in confusion  
error-struck departs;
6. Oft as earth exulting  
wafts its praise on high,  
angel-hosts rejoicing  
make their glad reply.
7. Lift ye then our voices;  
swell the mighty flood;  
louder still and louder  
praise the precious blood.

**Meditation on the Cross of Jesus:**      page 242 BCP

*A wooden cross is brought into the Church and placed in the sight of the people.*

**The President says:**

**This is the wood of the cross on which hung the Saviour of the world.**

People:            Come, let us worship.

**President:        Christ our Lord became obedient unto death.**

People:            Come, let us worship.

**Anthems: 1-4: page 243 BCP (Eucharistic Ministers)**

**ANTHEM 1**

Is it nothing to you all who pass by?

Look and see if there is any sorrow like my sorrow which was brought upon me,  
which the Lord inflicted on the day of his fierce anger.

**Holy God, holy and mighty,  
holy and immortal one, have mercy upon us.**

O my people, O my Church

What have I done to you,

or in what have I offended you?

Testify against me

I led you forth from the land of Egypt.

and delivered you by the waters of baptism,

but you have prepared a cross for your Saviour.

**Holy God, holy and mighty,  
holy and immortal one, have mercy upon us.**

I led you through the desert for forty years,

and fed you with manna.

I brought you through tribulation and penitence,

and gave you my body, the bread of heaven,

but you have prepared a cross for your Saviour.

**Holy God, holy and mighty,  
holy and immortal one, have mercy upon us.**

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

I planted you, my chosen and fairest vineyard,  
I made you the branches of my vine;  
but when I was thirsty, you gave me vinegar to drink,  
and pierced with a spear the side of your Saviour.

**Holy God, holy and mighty,  
holy and immortal one, have mercy upon us.**

I went before you in a pillar of cloud,  
and you have led me to the judgement hall of Pilate.  
I scourged your enemies and brought you to a land of freedom,  
but you have scourged, mocked, and beaten me.  
I gave you the water of salvation from the rock,  
but you have given me gall and left me to thirst.

**Holy God, holy and mighty,  
holy and immortal one, have mercy upon us.**

I gave you a royal sceptre,  
and bestowed the keys to the kingdom,  
but you have given me a crown of thorns.  
I raised you on high with great power,  
but you have hung me on the cross.

**Holy God, holy and mighty,  
holy and immortal one, have mercy upon us.**

My peace I gave, which the world cannot give,

and washed your feet as a sign of my love,  
but you draw the sword to strike in my name,  
and seek high places in my kingdom.  
I offered you my body and blood,  
but you scatter and deny and abandon me.

**Holy God, holy and mighty,  
holy and immortal one, have mercy upon us.**

I sent the spirit of truth to guide you,  
and you close your hearts to the Counsellor.  
I pray that all may be as one in the Father and me,  
but you continue to quarrel and divide.  
I call you to go and bring forth fruit,  
but you cast lots for my clothing.

**Holy God, holy and mighty,  
holy and immortal one, have mercy upon us.**

I have shown you the healing power  
of my love and compassion to raise up  
and comfort the afflicted but you have  
willingly inflicted punishment  
and suffering upon your fellowman for evil gain.

**Holy God, holy and mighty,  
holy and immortal one, have mercy upon us.**

I came to you as the least of your brothers and sisters;  
I was hungry and you gave me no food,  
I was thirsty and you gave me no drink,  
I was a stranger and you did not welcome me,

naked and you did not clothe me,  
sick and in prison and you did not visit me

**Holy God, holy and mighty,  
holy and immortal one, have mercy upon us.**

**Hymn: CH 138**

1. My God, I love thee; not because  
I hope for heaven thereby,  
nor yet because who love thee not  
are lost eternally.
2. Thou, O my Jesus, thou didst me  
upon the cross embrace;  
for me didst bear the nails and spear,  
and manifold disgrace.
3. And griefs and torments numberless,  
and sweat of agony;  
yea, death itself - and all for me  
who was thine enemy.
4. Then why, O blessèd Jesus Christ,  
should I not love thee well?  
Not for the sake of winning heaven,  
nor of escaping hell;
5. Not from the hope of gaining aught,  
not seeking a reward;  
but as thyself hast lovèd me,  
O ever-loving Lord.
6. So would I love thee, dearest Lord,  
and in thy praise will sing;  
solely because thou art my God,  
and my most loving King.

## **ANTHEM 2**

We glory in your cross, O Lord,  
and praise and glorify your holy resurrection;  
for by virtue of your cross joy has come to the whole world.  
May God be merciful to us and bless us,  
show us the light of his countenance, and come to us.

**Let your ways be known upon the earth,  
your saving health among all nations.**

Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you  
We glory in your cross, O Lord, and praise and glorify your holy resurrection;  
for by virtue of your cross joy has come to the whole world.

## **ANTHEM 3**

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you, because by your holy cross you have  
redeemed the world.

If we have died with him, we shall also live with Him; if we endure, we shall also  
reign with him.

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you, because by your holy cross you have  
redeemed the world.

## **ANTHEM 4**

O Saviour of the world,  
by your cross and precious blood you have redeemed us.

**Save and help us,  
we humbly beseech you, O Lord.**

**Leader: As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

**ALL:**

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial,  
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.**

**Final Prayer:      President:**

**Send down your abundant blessing, Lord upon your people who have devoutly recalled the death of your Son in sure and certain hope of the resurrection. Grant us pardon; bring them comfort. May our faith grow stronger and our eternal salvation be assured. We ask this through Christ our Lord.**

**ALL: Amen.**

**Closing Hymn:      CH 134**

***Refrain:***  
*Lift high the cross,  
the love of Christ proclaim  
till all the world adores  
his sacred Name!*

1. Come, Christians, follow where the Captain trod,  
the King victorious, Christ, the Son of God.

**Refrain:**

*Lift high the cross,  
the love of Christ proclaim  
till all the world adores  
his sacred Name!*

2. Each newborn soldier of the crucified  
bears on the brow the seal of him who died.

**Refrain:**

*Lift high the cross,  
the love of Christ proclaim  
till all the world adores  
his sacred Name!*

3. This is the sign that Satan's armies fear  
and angels veil their faces to revere.

**Refrain:**

*Lift high the cross,  
the love of Christ proclaim  
till all the world adores  
his sacred Name!*

4. Saved by the cross on which their Lord was slain,  
see Adam's children their lost home regain.

**Refrain:**

*Lift high the cross,  
the love of Christ proclaim  
till all the world adores  
his sacred Name!*

5. From north and south, from east and west they raise  
in growing unison their songs of praise.

**Refrain:**

*Lift high the cross,  
the love of Christ proclaim  
till all the world adores  
his sacred Name!*

6. Let every race and every language tell  
of him who saves our souls from death and hell!

**Refrain:**

*Lift high the cross,  
the love of Christ proclaim  
till all the world adores  
his sacred Name!*

7. O Lord, once lifted on the tree of pain,  
draw all the world to see you once again.

**Refrain:**

*Lift high the cross,  
the love of Christ proclaim  
till all the world adores  
his sacred Name!*

8. Set up your throne, that earth's despair may cease  
beneath the shadow of its healing peace:

**Refrain:**

*Lift high the cross,  
the love of Christ proclaim  
till all the world adores  
his sacred Name!*

***At the end of the Hymn the Clergy, Servants of the Sanctuary & Choir  
recess in silence while the Congregation sits for a few minutes in quiet  
meditation.***



***The collection plates have been placed at back of the Church for your  
gifts and offering.***