

ELOI, ELOI,
LEMA SABACHTHANI?

MY GOD, MY GOD,

WHY HAST THOU FORSAKEN ME?

why art thou so far from helping me,
and from the words of my roaring?

O my God, I cry in the daytime,

but thou hearest not;

and in the night season, and am not silent.

But thou art holy,

O thou that inhabitest the praises of Israel.

Our fathers trusted in thee:

they trusted, and thou didst deliver them.

They cried unto thee, and were delivered:

they trusted in thee, and were not confounded.

BUT I AM A WORM, AND NO MAN;

a reproach of men, and despised of the people.

All they that see me laugh me to scorn:

they shoot out the lip,

they shake the head, saying,

He trusted on the LORD

that he would deliver him:

let him deliver him,

seeing he delighted in him.

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✱ **Psalm 22 . 1-8 (KJV)** ✱

BEHOLD THE MAN



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GOOD FRIDAY

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TENEBRÆ

(Service of Darkness)

All enter in silence.

Stand

OPENING VERSICLES

- P** O Lord, open my lips,
C and my mouth will declare Your praise.
P Make haste, O God, to deliver me;
C make haste to help me, O Lord.
Praise to You, O Christ, Lamb of our salvation.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

- P** Almighty God, graciously behold this Your family for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed and delivered into the hands of sinful men 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 God, now and forever.
C Amen.

Sit

PSALMODY

PSALM

Psalm 3 (antiphon, v. 4)



I cried aloud | to the LORD,* and He answered Me from His | holy hill.
O LORD, how many | are My foes!* Many are rising a- | gainst me;
many are saying | of My soul,* “There is no salvation for | Him in God.”
But You, O LORD, are a Shield a- | bout Me,* My Glory, and the Lifter | of My head.
I cried aloud | to the LORD,* and He answered Me from His | holy hill.
I lay | down and slept,* I woke again, for the LORD sus- | tained Me.
I will not be afraid of many thousands of | people* who have set against Me | all around.
Arise, | O LORD!* Save me, | O My God!
For You strike all My enemies | on the cheek;* You break the teeth of the | wicked.
Salvation belongs | to the LORD;* Your blessing be on Your | people!
I cried aloud | to the LORD,* and He answered Me from His | holy hill.

HYMN

Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted

Hymn 451

The First Word from the Cross, Luke 23:34; the first candle is extinguished.

LECTION

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 52:13—53:12

- ¹³Behold, my servant shall act wisely; he shall be high and lifted up, and shall be exalted.
¹⁴As many were astonished at you—his appearance was so marred,
beyond human semblance, and his form beyond that of the children of mankind—
¹⁵so shall he sprinkle many nations.
Kings shall shut their mouths because of him, for that which has not been told them they see,
and that which they have not heard they understand.
- ^{53:1}Who has believed what he has heard from us?
And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?
²For 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,
and no beauty that we should desire him.
³He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief;
and as one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not.
⁴Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows;
yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted.
⁵But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities;
upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed.
⁶All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned—every one—to his own way;
and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.
⁷He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth;
like a lamb that is led to the slaughter,
and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he opened not his mouth.
⁸By oppression and judgment he was taken away; and as for his generation, who considered
that he was cut off out of the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people?
⁹And they made his grave with the wicked and with a rich man in his death,
although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth.
¹⁰Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him; he has put him to grief;
when his soul makes an offering for guilt, he shall see his offspring;
he shall prolong his days; the will of the LORD shall prosper in his hand.
¹¹Out of the anguish of his soul he shall see and be satisfied;
by his knowledge shall the righteous one, my servant,
make many to be accounted righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities.
¹²Therefore I will divide him a portion with the many,
and he shall divide the spoil with the strong,
because he poured out his soul to death and was numbered with the transgressors;
yet he bore the sin of many, and makes intercession for the transgressors.

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C **Thanks be to God.**

The Second Word, Luke 23:43; the second candle is extinguished.

ANTHEM

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded
Hymn 450, st. 1

Robert Leaf

Choir

EPISTLE

Hebrews 4:14–16; 5:7–9

¹⁴Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. ¹⁵For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize

with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. ¹⁶Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. ...

^{5:7}In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to him who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. ⁸Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered. ⁹And being made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him.

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

The Third Word, John 19:26–27; the third candle is extinguished.

THE PASSION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

HYMN

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

Hymn 450 sts. 2–4

PASSION READING

John 19:1–16a

Then Pilate took Jesus and flogged him. And the soldiers twisted together a crown of thorns and put it on his head and arrayed him in a purple robe. They came up to him, saying, “Hail, King of the Jews!” and struck him with their hands. Pilate went out again and said to them, “See, I am bringing him out to you that you may know that I find no guilt in him.” So Jesus came out, wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe. Pilate said to them, “Behold the man!” When the chief priests and the officers saw him, they cried out, “Crucify him, crucify him!” Pilate said to them, “Take him yourselves and crucify him, for I find no guilt in him.” The Jews answered him, “We have a law, and according to that law he ought to die because he has made himself the Son of God.” When Pilate heard this statement, he was even more afraid. He entered his headquarters again and said to Jesus, “Where are you from?” But Jesus gave him no answer. So Pilate said to him, “You will not speak to me? Do you not know that I have authority to release you and authority to crucify you?” Jesus answered him, “You would have no authority over me at all unless it had been given you from above. Therefore he who delivered me over to you has the greater sin.”

From then on Pilate sought to release him, but the Jews cried out, “If you release this man, you are not Caesar’s friend. Everyone who makes himself a king opposes Caesar.” So when Pilate heard these words, he brought Jesus out and sat down on the judgment seat at a place called The Stone Pavement, and in Aramaic Gabbatha. Now it was the day of Preparation of the Passover. It was about the sixth hour. He said to the Jews, “Behold your King!” They cried out, “Away with him, away with him, crucify him!” Pilate said to them, “Shall I crucify your King?” The chief priests answered, “We have no king but Caesar.” So he delivered him over to them to be crucified.

The Fourth Word, Matthew 27:46; Mark 15:34; the fourth candle is extinguished.

HYMN

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

Hymn 450 sts. 5–7

Stand

PASSION READING, CONT’D.

John 19:16b–42

So they took Jesus, and he went out, bearing his own cross, to the place called the place of a skull, which in Aramaic is called Golgotha. There they crucified him, and with him two others, one on either side, and Jesus between them. Pilate also wrote an inscription and put it on the cross. It read, “Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews.” Many of the Jews read this inscription, for the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city, and it was written in Aramaic, in Latin, and in Greek. So the chief priests of the Jews said to Pilate, “Do not write, ‘The King of the Jews,’ but rather, ‘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 garments and divided them into four parts, one part for each soldier; also his tunic. But the tunic was seamless, woven in one piece from top to bottom, so they said to one another, "Let us not tear it, but cast lots for it to see whose it shall be." This was to fulfill the Scripture which says,

"They divided my garments among them,
and for my clothing they cast lots."

So the soldiers did these things, but standing by 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 nearby, he said to his mother, "Woman, behold, your son!" Then he said to the disciple, "Behold, your mother!" And from that hour the disciple took her to his own home.

After this, Jesus, knowing that all was now finished, said (to fulfill the Scripture), "I thirst." A jar full of sour wine stood there, so they put a sponge full of the sour wine on a hyssop branch and held it to his mouth. When Jesus had received the sour wine, he said, "It is finished," and he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

Since it was the day of Preparation, and so that the bodies would not remain on the cross on the Sabbath (for that Sabbath was a high day), the Jews asked Pilate that their legs might be broken and that they might be taken away. So 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. But one of the soldiers pierced his side with a spear, and at once there came out blood and water. He who saw it has borne witness—his testimony is true, and he knows that he is telling the truth—that you also may believe. For these things took place that the Scripture might be fulfilled: "Not one of his bones will be broken." And again another Scripture says, "They will look on him whom they have pierced."

After these things Joseph of Arimathea, who was a disciple of Jesus, but secretly for fear of the Jews, asked Pilate that he might take away the body of Jesus, and Pilate gave him permission. So he came and took away his body. Nicodemus also, who earlier had come to Jesus by night, came bringing a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about seventy-five pounds in weight. So they took the body of Jesus and bound it in linen cloths with the spices, as is the burial custom of the Jews. Now in the place where he was crucified there was a garden, and in the garden a new tomb in which no one had yet been laid. So because of the Jewish day of Preparation, since the tomb was close at hand, they laid Jesus there.

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

The Fifth Word, John 19:28; the fifth candle is extinguished.

Sit

THE REPROACHES

The Reproaches, or Improperia, are a series of remonstrances of Christ with His people. The Church responds with pleas for mercy. As part of the liturgy, they date back to the ninth century.

FIRST REPROACH

L *Thus says the Lord: What have I done to you, O My people, and wherein have I offended you? Answer Me. For I have raised you up out of the prison house of sin and death, and you have delivered up your Redeemer to be scourged. For I have redeemed you from the house of bondage, and you have nailed your Savior to the cross. O My people.*

A *Holy Lord God, holy and mighty God, holy and most merciful Redeemer; God eternal, leave us not to bitter death. O Lord, have mercy.*

HYMN

Lamb of God, Pure and Holy

Hymn 434, st. 1

SECOND REPROACH

L *Thus says the Lord: What have I done to you, O My people, and wherein have I offended you? Answer Me. For I have conquered all your foes, and you have given Me over and delivered Me to those who persecute Me. For I have fed you with My Word and refreshed You with living water, and you have given Me gall and vinegar to drink. O My people.*

A *Holy Lord God, holy and mighty God, holy and most merciful Redeemer; God eternal, allow us not to lose hope in the face of death and hell. O Lord, have mercy.*

HYMN

Lamb of God, Pure and Holy

Hymn 434, st. 2

THIRD REPROACH

L *Thus says the Lord: What have I done to you, O My people, and wherein have I offended you? Answer Me. What more could have been done for My vineyard than I have done for it? When I looked for good grapes, why did it yield only bad? My people, is this how you thank your God? O My people.*

A *Holy Lord God, holy and mighty God, holy and most merciful Redeemer; God eternal, keep us steadfast in the true faith. O Lord, have mercy.*

HYMN

Lamb of God, Pure and Holy

Hymn 434, st. 3

SERMON

“Behold the Man”

John 19

Stand

HYMN OF THE DAY

Sing, My Tongue, the Glorious Battle

Hymn 454

Sit

OFFERING

✠ *In humble reverence for our Lord’s holy offering of Himself on the altar of His cross, it is our custom that the Good Friday Offering not be presented at the altar.*

PRAYERS

The Sixth Word, John 19:30; the sixth candle is extinguished.

Stand

KYRIE

- P** Lord, have mercy. **C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** Christ, have mercy. **C** **Christ, have mercy.**
- P** Lord, have mercy. **C** **Lord, have mercy.**

LORD'S PRAYER

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

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 power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

SALUTATION ✠ CONCLUDING COLLECT

P The Lord be with you.

C **And with your spirit.**

P Let us pray.

Merciful God, heavenly Father, we give You most hearty thanks that You have removed from us the grievous burden of our sins and placed it upon Your dear Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Govern us by Your Holy Spirit, that we may comfort ourselves with His suffering and death in the face of all temptations, diligently guard against sin and an evil conscience, and finally obtain eternal salvation; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

The Seventh Word, Luke 23:46; the seventh candle is extinguished.

The Paschal candle departs, signifying the burial of Christ.

The Strepitus, signifying the lowering of the rock to seal the tomb.

All leave in silence and minimal light.

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