

**Grace Lutheran Church ~ LCMS**  
1430 7th Ave. SE, Le Mars, Iowa  
Sunday Worship 9:00am  
Sunday School (Sept-May) & Adult Bible Study 10:15am



**April 2, 2021**

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Dr. Stephen and Maggie Oliver, Taiwan and Asia Region  
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## Good Friday Tenebrae Service

### Opening Hymn LSB #436 “*Go to Dark Gethsemane*” (vs. 1-3)

1. Go to dark Gethsemane, All who feel the tempter’s pow’r;  
Your Redeemer’s conflict see, watch with Him one bitter hour;  
Turn not from His griefs away; Learn from Jesus Christ to pray.
2. Follow to the judgement hall, view the Lord of life arraigned;  
Oh, the wormwood and the gall! Oh, the pangs His soul  
sustained! Shun not suff’ring, shame, or loss; Learn from Him to  
bear the cross.
3. Calv’ry’s mournful mountain climb; There, adoring at His feet,  
mark that miracle of time, God’s own sacrifice complete. “It is  
finished!” hear Him cry; learn from Jesus Christ to die.

### Invocation & Responses

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen**

The Lord be with you.

**And with your spirit.**

Christ became obedient unto death.

**Even death on the cross**

Christ was wounded for our transgressions.

**He was bruised for our iniquities.**

God forbid that we should glory except in the cross of our Lord  
Jesus Christ. In Him is forgiveness of sins, life, and  
salvation. By Him we are redeemed and set free.

**Praise be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was, and is, and always shall be. Amen.**

### Part I—The Word of Forgiveness Luke 23:32-38

#### Prayer

## **The Lord's Prayer**

**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.**

**Song** “*Were You There*” sung by Allyn Anderson

**Depart in Silence** After “*Were You There*” we ask that  
worshippers leave the church in silence, pondering God’s depth of  
love.

**Tonight's Offerings** Tonight’s offerings will be collected at the  
doors to the Sanctuary as you leave.

## **Holy Week Schedule:**

**Easter Breakfast**, April 4, 7:30-8:45 am (free-will)

**Easter Service**, April 4, 9:00 am (with Communion)

## **Hymn** LSB #447 (vs. 1-3) “*Jesus, in Your Dying Woes*”

1. Jesus in your dying woes, Even while your life-blood flows,  
Craving pardon for Your Foes: Hear us, holy Jesus.
2. Savior, for our pardon sue when our sins your pangs renew, for  
we know not what we do: Hear us, holy Jesus.
3. Oh, may we, who mercy need, be like you in heart and deed,  
when with wrong our spirits bleed: Hear us, holy Jesus.

*The First Candle is Extinguished.*

## **Part II—The Word of Salvation** Luke 23:39-43

### **Prayer**

## **Hymn** LSB #447 (vs. 4-6) *Jesus, in Your Dying Woes*

4. Jesus, pitying the sighs of the thief, who near You dies,  
promising him paradise: Hear us, holy Jesus
5. May we in our guilt and shame still Your love and mercy  
claim, Calling Humbly on your name: Hear us, holy Jesus
6. May our hearts to You incline and their thoughts Your cross  
entwine. Cheer our souls with hope divine: Hear us, holy Jesus.

*The Second Candle is Extinguished.*

## **Part III—The Word of Love** John 19:25-27

### **Prayer**

## **Hymn** LSB #447 (vs. 7-9) “*Jesus, in Your Dying Woes*”

7. Jesus, loving to the end her whose heart your sorrows rend, and  
your dearest human friend: Hear us, holy Jesus
8. May we in Your sorrows share, for Your sake all peril dare,  
and enjoy Your tender care: Hear us, holy Jesus.

9. May we all Your loved ones be, all one holy family, loving, since Your love we see: Hear us, holy Jesus.

*The Third Candle is Extinguished.*

**Part IV—The Word of Forsakeness** Mark 15:33-34

**Prayer**

**Hymn** LSB #447 (vs. 10-12) “*Jesus, in Your Dying Woes*”

10. Jesus,whelmed in fears unknown, with our evil left alone, while no light from heav’n is shown: Hear us , holy Jesus

11. When we seem in vain to pray and our hope seems far away, in darkness be our stay: Hear us, holy Jesus.

12. Though no Father seem to hear, though no light our spirits cheer, may we know that God is near: Hear us, holy Jesus.

*The Fourth Candle is Extinguished.*

**Part V—The Word of Thirst** John 19:28-29

**Prayer**

**Hymn** LSB #447 (vs. 13-15) “*Jesus, in Your Dying Woes*”

13. Jesus in Your thirst and pain, while Your wounds Your lifeblood drain, thirsting more our love to gain: Hear us, holy Jesus.

14. Thirst for us in mercy still; all Your holy work fulfill; satisfy Your loving will: Hear us, holy Jesus.

15. May we thirst Your love to know. Lead us in our sin and woe where the healing waters flow: Hear us, holy Jesus.

*The Fifth Candle is Extinguished.*

**Part VI—The Word of Triumph** John 19:30

**Prayer**

**Hymn** LSB #447 (vs. 16-18) “*Jesus, in Your Dying Woes*”

16. Jesus, all our ransom paid, all Your Father’s will obeyed; by Your surr’ings perfect made: Hear us, holy Jesus.

17. Save us in our soul’s distress; be our help to cheer and bless while we grow in holiness: Hear us, holy Jesus.

18. Brighten all our heav’ward way with an ever holier ray till we pass to perfect day: Hear us, Holy Jesus.

*The Sixth Candle is Extinguished.*

**Part VII—The Word of Commitment** Luke 23:44-49

**Meditation** " Hands of the Passion - Nail-Pierced Hands (Jesus)" Luke 23:32-34

**Hymn** LSB #447 (vs. 19-21) *Jesus, in Your Dying Woes*

19. Jesus, all Your labor vast, all Your woe and conflict past, yielding up Your soul at last: Hear us, holy Jesus.

20. When the death shades round us low’r, guard us from the tempter’s pow’r, keep us I that trail hour: Hear us, holy Jesus.

21. May Your life and death supply grace to live and grace to die, grace to reach home on high: Hear us, holy Jesus.

**Darkness in the Sanctuary** The seventh candle is removed from the sanctuary. There is a loud noise—the sealing of Jesus’ tomb—that is heard. The candle returns though, indicating that there is still Christian hope for Christ’s resurrection from the dead.