

# Good Friday

## The Celebration of the Lord's Passion The Ministry of the Word

*When the congregation has assembled and the ministers, having entered in silence, are in their places, all shall stand.*

**Celebrant** All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way,  
**People** **And the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.**

**Celebrant** Christ the Lord became obedient unto death,  
**People** **Even death on a cross.**      *Silence may be kept.*

**Celebrant** Almighty God,  
**All 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 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

**Celebrant** The Lord be with you.      **People** **And also with you.**

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.

**Readings:** Isaiah 52.13—53.12

### Psalm 22

- 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 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 nations 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 to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.  
As it was in the beginning is now and will be for ever. Amen.

Hebrews 4.14–16; 5.7–9

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (18.1—19.42)

The Sermon (the Ven. Glen Miller)

## My Song is Love Unknown

My song is love unknown, my Saviour's love to me;  
love too the loveless shown, that they might lovely be.  
O who am I, that for my sake my Lord should take frail flesh, and die?

He came from his blest throne salvation to bestow;  
but all made strange, and none the longed for Christ would know;  
but O my friend, my friend indeed, who at my need his life did spend.

Sometimes they strew his way, and his sweet praises sing,  
resounding all the day hosannas to their King;  
then 'Crucify! Is all their breath, and for his death they thirst and cry.

Why, what has my Lord done? What makes this rage and spite?  
He made the lame to run, he gave the blind their sight.  
Sweet injuries! Yet they at these themselves displease, and 'gainst him rise.

They rise and needs will have my dear Lord made away;  
a murderer they save, the Prince of life they slay.  
Yet cheerful he to suffering goes, that he his foes from thence might free.

Here might I stay and sing, no story so divine;  
never was love, dear King, never was grief like thine!  
This is my friend, in whose sweet praise I all my days could gladly spend.

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### The Solemn Intercession

*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. *(Please adopt a posture for prayer)*

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 *Anne* our bishop, and all the people of this diocese,  
for all Christians in this community,  
for those about to be baptized;  
that the Lord will confirm his Church in faith,  
increase it in love, and preserve it in peace.

***Almighty and everlasting God, by your 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 our vocation and ministry we may truly and  
devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.***

Let us pray for all nations and peoples of the earth, and for those in authority among them:  
for Elizabeth our Queen and all the Royal Family,  
for *Justin* the Prime Minister and for the government of this country,  
for *Douglas* the premier of this province and the members of the legislature,  
for *Brian* the mayor of this municipality and those who serve with *him* on the city council,  
for all who serve the common good,  
that by God's help they may seek justice and truth, and live in peace and concord

***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 justice and peace 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 homeless, the destitute and the oppressed,  
and all who suffer persecution or prejudice, for the sick, the wounded, and the handicapped,  
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, 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. Amen.***

Let us pray for all who have not received the gospel of Christ:  
for all who have not heard the words of salvation,  
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.

***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, 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 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

*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 tranquillity 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, for ever and ever. Amen.*

**The Lord's Prayer.**

### **In The Cross of Christ I Glory**

In the cross of Christ I glory, towering over the wrecks of time;  
all the light of sacred story gathers round its head sublime.

When the woes of life o'er take me, hopes deceive and fears annoy,  
never shall the cross forsake me: lo, it glows with peace and joy.

When the sun of bliss is beaming light and love upon my way,  
from the cross the radiance streaming adds more luster to the day.

Bane and blessing, pain and pleasure, by the cross are sanctified;  
peace is there that knows no measure, joys that through all time abide.

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all the light of sacred story gathers round its head sublime.

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**Closing Blessing.**

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

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