

# The Order of Worship

# Pre-Service Music Welcome

#### **Gathering Rite**

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God the Father and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you;

C: And also with you.

P: O Lord, open my lips;

C: And my mouth shall declare your praise.

P: Hasten to save me, O God;

C: O Lord, come quickly to help me.

P: The sacrifices God wants are a broken spirit,

C: A broken and crushed heart, O God, you will not despise.

#### Hymn

"Lord, Jesus You are Going Forth" Christian Worship 126 st. 1-2

Lord Jesus, you are going forth
For me your life to offer,
For me, a sinner from my birth,
Who caused all you must suffer.
So be it then, my dearest Friend;
I follow after weeping, tears flowing free
Your pain to see, watch o'er your sorrows keeping.

O soul, come hither and behold
The fruit of your transgression!
My burden is the curse of old
And for your sin my passion.
Now comes the night of sin's dread might;
Your guilt I here am bearing.
Oh, weight it, soul; I make you whole,
No need now of despairing.

P: Jesus invites us, "come to me all who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest."

C: O Lord, in humility we come. We are weary because our sins weigh us down, and there is no relief. We are burdened by the just sentence placed upon our sinful disobedience, and there is no place to turn for reprieve.

#### Hymn

"Lord Jesus You are Going Forth" Christian Worship 126 st. 3

'Tis I, Lord Jesus, I confess,
Who should have borne sin's wages
And lost the peace of heav'nly bliss
Through everlasting ages.
Instead you go to bear the blow,
My punishment to carry.
Your death and blood lead me to God;
By grace I there may tarry.

P: Jesus assures us, that if we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

C: O Lord, in mercy you sought us. You heard our desperate cry for rescue, and you secured the forgiveness of our sins. How blessed we are that your precious blood purifies us from all our sins and guilt.

#### Hymn

"Lord Jesus You are Going Forth" Christian Worship 126 st. 4

O soul, I take upon me now The pain you should have suffered. My death will your release allow; My gift is freely offered. The curse I choose that you might lose Sin's curse and guilt forever. My gift of love from heav'n above Will give you blessing ever.

P: It is only by grace through faith we can ever have the confidence to say, "I sought the Lord and he answered me. From all my terrors, he delivered me. From all my distress he saved me. Taste and see that the Lord is good. Blessed is everyone who takes refuge in him.

#### Hymn

"Lord Jesus You are Going Forth" Christian Worship 126 st. 5

What can I for such love divine
To you, Lord Jesus, render?
No merit has this heart of mine;
Yet while I live I'll tender
Myself alone and all I own
In love to serve before you.
Then when time's past, take me at last;
In heav'n I shall adore you.

# **Evening Prayer**

P: O gracious Savior, our Lord Jesus Christ, you have always loved us with an everlasting love. That love was displayed when you went the way of the cross. Daily lead us to acknowledge it was our sins and disobedience which made it necessary for you to suffer and die. Now, because of your undeserved mercy, we are free from our misery. Bless us as we worship you—together with your Father and the Spirit—our only true and saving God.

C: Amen.

# The Passion History according to the Four Gospels

Part 2—Warnings and Betrayal

While they were reclining and eating, Jesus said, "Amen I tell you: One of you will betray me, one who is eating with me." They

were very sad and began to say to him one after another, "Surely, not I, Lord?"

He said to them, "It is one of the Twelve, one who is dipping bread with me in the dish. Indeed, the Son of Man is going to go just as it has been written about him, but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that man if he had not been born."

After saying this, Jesus was troubled in his spirit and testified, "Amen, Amen, I tell you: One of you will betray me."

The disciples were looking at each other, uncertain which of them he meant.

One of his disciples, the one Jesus loved, was reclining at Jesus' side. Simon Peter motioned to him to find out which one Jesus was talking about.

So leaning back against Jesus' side, he asked, "Lord, who is it?"

Jesus replied, "It is the one to whom I will give this piece of bread, after I have dipped it in the dish." Then he dipped the piece of bread and gave it to Judas, the son of Simon Iscariot. As soon as Judas took the bread, Satan entered into him.

So Jesus told him, "What you are about to do, do more quickly."

None of those reclining at the table understood why Jesus said this to him. Because Judas kept the money box, some thought that Jesus was telling him, "Buy what we need for the Festival," or to give something to the poor. As soon as Judas had taken the bread, he went out. And it was night.

After Judas left, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man is glorified, and God is glorified in him. If God is glorified in him, God will also glorify the Son in himself and will glorify him at once."

While they were eating, on the night when he was betrayed, Jesus took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to the disciples. He said, "Take, eat, this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you, for this is my blood of the new testament, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

"Dear children, I am going to be with you only a little longer. You will look for me, and just as I told the Jews, so I tell you now: Where I am going, you cannot come.

"A new commandment I give you: Love one another. Just as I have loved you, so also you are to love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, where are you going?"

Jesus answered, "Where I am going you cannot follow now, but you will follow later."

Peter asked, "Lord, why can't I follow you now? I will lay down my life for you!"

Jesus replied, "Will you really lay down your life for me? Simon, Simon, pay attention: Satan has asked to have you all, so that he may sift you as wheat. But I prayed for you, Simon, that your faith may not fail. And when you have returned to me, strengthen your brothers."

Peter answered him, "Even if all fall away because of you, I will never fall away."

Jesus said to him, "Amen I tell you: Tonight, before the rooster crows, you will deny me three times."

Peter said to him, "Even if I have to die with you, I will never deny you." And all the disciples said the same.

He said to them, "When I sent you out without money bag, traveler's bag, and sandals, did you lack anything?"

"Nothing," they said.

Then he told them, "But now, let the one who has a money

bag take it, and likewise a traveler's bag. And let the one who has no sword sell his cloak and buy one. For I tell you that this Scripture must be fulfilled in me: 'He was counted with transgressors.' Indeed, what is written about me is going to have its fulfillment."

They said, "Lord, look, here are two swords."

He said to them, "That is enough."

Then Jesus said to them, "This night you will all fall away on account of me, for it is written, 'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be scattered.' But after I have been raised, I will go ahead of you into Galilee."

After they sang a hymn, Jesus went out with his disciples across the Kidron Valley, to the Mount of Olives, where there was a garden called Gethsemane. He and his disciples went into it. Now Judas, who was betraying him, also knew the place, because Jesus often met there with his disciple

When he reached the place, Jesus told his disciples, "Sit here, while I go over there and pray. Keep praying that you may not enter into temptation."

Then he took Peter, James, and John along with him and began to be troubled and distressed. He said to them, "My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow, even to the point of death. Stay here and keep watch."

He withdrew from them about a stone's throw, knelt down, and prayed, "Father, if you are willing, take this cup away from me. Nevertheless, not my will, but yours be done."

When he rose from prayer, he went to the disciples and found them sleeping as a result of sorrow.

He said to Peter, "Simon, are you sleeping? Were you not strong enough to keep watch for one hour? Watch and pray that you may not enter into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak."

He went away a second time and prayed, "My Father, if it is not possible for this cup to pass from me unless I drink it, may your will be done." Again he returned and found them sleeping, because their eyes were heavy. They did not know what they should answer him.

He left them again, went away, and prayed a third time. He said the same words as before.

An angel from heaven appeared to him and strengthened him. As he was in agony, he prayed more fervently. His sweat became like great drops of blood falling to the ground.

Then he returned to his disciples and said to them, "Are you still sleeping and resting? Look, the hour is near, and the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Rise. Let us go. Look, my betrayer is near!"

## Congregation sings

"On My Heart Imprint Your Image" Christian Worship 319

On my heart imprint your image, Blessed Jesus, King of grace, That life's riches, cares, and pleasures Have no pow'r to hide your face. This is the superscription be: Jesus, crucified for me, Is my life, my hope's foundation, And my glory and salvation.

#### **Confession of Faith**

(we join in the words of Luther's Explanation the Second Article of the Apostles Creed)

C: I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the virgin Mary, is my Lord.

He has redeemed me, a lost and condemned creature, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil, not with gold or silver but with his holy, precious blood and with his innocent suffering and death.

All this he did that I should be his own, and live under him in his kingdom, and serve him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as he has risen from death and lives and rules eternally.

This is most certainly true.

#### Hymn of the Day

"Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain" Christian Worship 106

Come to Calvary's holy mountain, Sinners ruined by the fall; Here a pure and healing fountain Flows to you, to me, to all, In a full, perpetual tide, Opened when our Savior died.

Come in poverty and meanness, Come defiled, without, within; From infection and uncleanness, From the leprosy of sin, Wash your robes and make them white; You shall walk with God in light.

Come in sorrow and contrition, Wounded, paralyzed, and blind; Here the guilty, free remission, Here the troubled, peace may find. Health this fountain will restore; He that drinks shall thirst no more.

He that drinks shall live forever; 'Tis a soul-renewing flood. God is faithful; God will never Break his covenant of blood, Signed when our Redeemer died, Sealed when he was glorified.

# "The Misery of Mankind; The Mercy of Jesus"

#### A Life of Pain

Genesis 3:16-19

<sup>16</sup> To the woman he said:

I will greatly increase your pain in childbearing.

With painful labor you will give birth to children.

Your desire will be for your husband,

but he will rule over you.

<sup>17</sup> To Adam he said:

Because you listened to your wife's voice and ate from the tree about which I commanded you, "You shall not eat from it," the soil is cursed on account of

you. You will eat from it with painful labor all the days of your life.

<sup>18</sup> Thorns and thistles will spring up from the ground for you, but you will eat the crops of the field.

<sup>19</sup> By the sweat of your face you will eat bread until you return to the soil, for out of it you were taken. For you are dust, and to dust you shall return.

## A Eternity of Joy

Revelation 7:13-17

<sup>13</sup> One of the elders spoke to me and said, "These people dressed in white robes, who are they and where did they come from?"

And I answered him, "Sir, you know." <sup>14</sup> And he said to me: These are the ones who are coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

<sup>15</sup> Because of this they are in front of the throne of God, and they serve him day and night in his temple. He who sits on the throne will spread his tent over them. <sup>16</sup>They will never be hungry or thirsty ever again. The sun will

never beat upon them, nor will any scorching heat, <sup>17</sup> for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd. He will lead them to springs of living water. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.

#### A Life of Pain Fades to an Eternity of Joy

## Pray, Praise, and Give Thanks

#### **Evening Litany** (we read responsively)

P: O God the Father, Creator of heaven and earth,

O God the Son, Redeemer of the world,

O God the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide,

Holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three persons in one God.

#### C: Have mercy on us.

P: By the mystery of your holy incarnation; by your baptism, fasting, and temptation; and by your proclamation of the kingdom:

C: Good Lord, deliver us.

P: By your bloody sweat and bitter agony, by your cross and suffering, and by your precious death and burial:

C: Good Lord, deliver us.

P: By your triumphant resurrection, by your glorious ascension, and by the promised coming of the Holy Spirit:

C: Good Lord, deliver us.

P: In our times of trouble, in our times of prosperity, in the hour of death, and on the day of judgment:

C: Good Lord, deliver us.

P: From all spiritual blindness; from self-pride and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred, and malice; and from all lack of true Christ-

like love; From all deadly sin and from the deceits of the world, the flesh, and the devil; From all false doctrine, heresy, and schism; from hardness of the heart, and contempt for your Word and your will:

C: Good Lord, deliver us.

P: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,

C: Have mercy on us.

P: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,

C: Have mercy on us.

P: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,

C: Grant us your peace.

P: Lord, have mercy on us.

C: Christ, have mercy on us.

P: Lord, have mercy on us, and hear us as we pray:

#### The Lord's Prayer

C: 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.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power and the glory
are yours now and forever. Amen!

#### Hymn

"Jesus, Refuge of the Weary" Christian Worship 108

Jesus, Refuge of the weary, blest Redeemer, whom we love, Fountain in life's desert dreary, Savior from the world above. Oh, how oft your eyes, offended, gaze upon a sinner's fall! Yet, upon the cross extended, your endured the pain of all.

Dare we pass that cross unheeding, breathing no repentant vow, As we see you wounded, bleeding,

see your thorn encircled brow?

Since your sinless death has brought us life eternal, peace, and rest,

Only what your grace has taught us calms the sinner's deep distress.

Jesus, may our hearts be burning with more fervent love for you! May our eyes be ever turning to behold your cross anew. Till in glory, parted never from the blessed Savior's side, Graven in our hearts forever, dwell the cross, the Crucified!

#### **Evening Prayer**

P: Lord God, all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works come from you. Give to us, your people, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments. Defend us also from the fear of our enemies, that we may live in peace and quietness while praying with boldness and confidence, through the merits of Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### C: Amen

#### The Benediction:

P: Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through.

May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Christ.

The one who calls you is faithful and he will do it.



### **Closing Hymn**

"Now the Day is Over" *Christian Worship 589* 

Now the day is over; night is drawing nigh. Shadows of the evening steal across the sky.

Jesus, give the weary, calm and sweet repose; With your tend'rest blessing may my eyelids close.

Comfort ev'ry suff'rer watching late in pain; Those who plan some evil, from their sin restrain.

Through the long night watches may your angels spread Their bright wings above me, watching round my bed.

When the morning wakens, then may I arise Pure and fresh and sinless in your holy eyes.

#### Silent Prayers Announcements

**Tonight** - In our faithful Savior's name, *Welcome to our Midweek Worship!* May the blessing of Jesus' precious work lead you to rejoice in his mercy, and rejoice in every good give he gives us through his undeserved love.

Friday—Office Hours from 10:30-2:230 pm Saturday—Church Cleaning: Proeber

• Mowing / property beginning February 17th—Todd Sunday, February 25<sup>th</sup>—Worship and Streaming at 9:30 am. We know the trials and temptations which Job endured. We also know the great loss he experienced, but faith led him like it leads us to say, "May the name of the Lord be blessed!"

- Bible Class will follow the service and will focus on the great need we have to fight temptation and the devil's schemes.
- On February 25th at 5:30 pm we will gather for a fellowship and education activity. The evening will begin with pizza, salad, and soft drinks. A sign up sheet is on the table in the back so we can plan accordingly. The movie for the evening will be "John Wycliffe."

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