

THE SEVEN WORDS OF JESUS FROM THE CROSS
A Worship Service of Meditation



Ascension Lutheran Church
5347 Donovan

Concordia Lutheran Church
7291 Sarah Ave.

Historic Trinity Lutheran Church
812 Souldard

Timothy Lutheran Church
6704 Fyler

St. Johns Lutheran Church
3738 Morganford Rd.

Messiah Lutheran Church
2846 South Grand

GOOD FRIDAY TRE ORE WORSHIP SERVICE

April 15, 2022 ~ 12:00 - 3:00 P.M.

Timothy Lutheran Church
Live stream @ <http://timothystl.org/live>
Also on 850AM KFYO Radio

+ PRELUDE+

*“Christ the Life of All the Living” - J.S. Bach - Trumpet. Nelda Cameron
Choir “Behold the Lamb of God” - John A. Behnke*

Bells

12:00 P.M.

Welcome and Invocation *Liturgist: Pastor Andrew Dinger, Timothy Lutheran Church*

Opening Hymn: *LSB #440 (vs. 1 & 2) “Jesus, I Will Ponder Now”*

**Jesus, I will ponder now On your holy Passion;
With your Spirit me endow For such meditation.
Grant that I in love and faith May the image cherish
Of your suff’ring, pain, and death That I may not perish.**

**Make me see your great distress, Anguish, and affliction,
Bonds and stripes and wretchedness And your crucifixion;
Make me see how scourge and rod, Spear and nails did wound you,
How you died for those, O God, Who with thorns had crowned you.**

Psalm 121

Pastor: I lift up my eyes to the hills.

People: Where does my help come from?

Pastor: My help comes from the Lord.

People: The Maker of heaven and earth.

Pastor: He will not let your foot slip.

People: He who watches over you will not slumber;

Pastor: Indeed, He who watches over Israel

People: Will neither slumber nor sleep.

Pastor: The Lord watches over you

People: The Lord is your shade at your right hand;

Pastor: The sun will not harm you by day,

People: Nor the moon by night.

Pastor: The Lord will keep you from all harm

People: He will watch over your life;

Pastor: The Lord will watch over your coming and going

People: Both now and forevermore.

Pastor: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,

People: As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

MUSIC *LSB #440 (vs. 4 & 6) “Jesus, I Will Ponder Now”*

**Grant that I Your passion view With repentant grieving.
Let me not bring shame to You By unholy living.
How could I refuse to shun Ev’ry sinful pleasure
Since for me God’s only Son Suffered without measure?**

**Graciously my faith renew; Help me bear my crosses,
Learning humbleness from You, Peace mid pain and losses.
May I give You love for love! Hear me, O my Savior,
That I may in heav’n above Sing Your praise forever.**

Scripture Reading: *Philippians 2:5-11*

Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The Message: *Preacher: Pastor Andrew Dinger, Timothy Lutheran Church*

Closing Prayer and Blessing

+ SPECIAL MUSIC +

12:20 P.M.

Opening Prayer *Liturgist: Pastor Michael Tanney, St. Johns Lutheran Church*

Hymn: *LSB #435 (vs. 1 & 2) "Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain"*

**Come to Calv'ry's holy mountain,
Sinners, ruined by the fall;
Here a pure and healing fountain
Flows for you, for me, for 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;
Ye shall walk with God in light.**

Psalm 32 *(vs. 1-7)*

Pastor: Blessed is he whose transgressions are forgiven.

People: **Whose sins are covered.**

Pastor: Blessed is the man whose sin the Lord does not count against him

People: **And in whose spirit is no deceit.**

Pastor: When I kept silent, my bones wasted away

People: **Through my groaning all day long.**

Pastor: For day and night your hand was heavy upon me;

People: **My strength was sapped as in the heat of summer.**

Pastor: Then I acknowledged my sin to you and did not cover up my iniquity.

People: **I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord" -- and you forgave the guilt of my sin.**

Pastor: Therefore, let everyone who is godly pray to you while you may be found;

People: **Surely when the mighty waters rise, they will not reach him.**

Pastor: You are my hiding place; You will protect me from trouble

People: **And surround me with songs of deliverance.**

MUSIC *LSB #435 (vs. 3 & 4) "Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain"*

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

**They that drink 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.**

Scripture Reading: *Luke 23:32-38*

Two others, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. And when they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified him, and the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. And Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." And they cast lots to divide his garments. And the people stood by, watching, but the rulers scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

The Message: *Preacher: Pastor Michael Tanney, St. Johns Lutheran Church*

Closing Prayer and Blessing

+ SPECIAL MUSIC +

12:40 P.M.

Opening Prayer *Pastor Josh Hatcher, Trinity Lutheran Church*

Hymn: *LSB #436 (vs. 1 & 2) "Go to Dark Gethsemane"*

**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.**

**Follow to the judgment 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.**

Psalm 16

Pastor: Keep me safe, O God,

People: **For in You I take refuge.**

Pastor: I said to the Lord, "You are my Lord;

People: **Apart from You I have no good thing."**

Pastor: As for the saints who are in the land,

People: **They are the glorious ones in whom is all my delight.**

Pastor: The sorrows of those will increase who run after other gods.

People: **I will not pour out their libations of blood or take up their names on my lips.**

Pastor: Lord, You have assigned me my portion and my cup;

People: **You have made my lot secure.**

Pastor: The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;

People: **Surely I have a delightful inheritance.**

Pastor: I will praise the Lord, who counsels me;

People: **Even at night my heart instructs me.**

Pastor: I have set the Lord always before me.

People: **Because He is at my right hand, I will not be shaken.**

Pastor: Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices;

People: **My body also will rest secure,**

Pastor: Because You will not abandon me to the grave,

People: **Nor will You let Your Holy One see decay.**

Pastor: You have made known to me the path of life;

People: **You will fill me with joy in Your presence, with eternal pleasures at your right hand.**

Pastor: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;

People: **As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

MUSIC LSB #436 (vs. 3 & 4) "Go to Dark Gethsemane"

**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.**

**Early hasten to the tomb
Where they laid His breathless clay;
All is solitude and gloom.
Who has taken Him away?
Christ is ris'n! He meets our eyes.
Savior, teach us so to rise.**

Scripture Reading: Luke 23:39-43

One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong." And he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." And he said to him, "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise."

The Message: Preacher: Pastor Josh Hatcher, Trinity Lutheran Church

Closing Prayer and Blessing

+ SPECIAL MUSIC +

1:00 P.M.

Opening Prayer Liturgist: Pastor Jaime Nava, Concordia Lutheran Church

Hymn: LSB #428 (vs. 1 & 2) "Cross of Jesus, Cross of Sorrow"

**Cross of Jesus, cross of sorrow,
Where the blood of Christ was shed,
Perfect Man on thee did suffer,
Perfect God on thee has bled!**

**Here the King of all the ages,
Throned in light ere worlds could be,
Robed in mortal flesh is dying,
Crucified by sin for me.**

Psalm 77 (vs. 1-12)

Pastor: I cried out to God for help;

People: I cried out to God to hear me.

Pastor: When I was in distress, I sought the Lord;

People: At night I stretched out untiring hands and my soul refused to be comforted.

Pastor: I remembered You, O God, and I groaned;

People: I mused, and my spirit grew faint.

Pastor: You kept my eyes from closing;

People: I was too troubled to speak.

Pastor: I thought about the former days,

People: The years of long ago;

Pastor: I remembered my songs in the night.

People: My heart mused and my spirit inquired:

Pastor: "Will the Lord reject us forever?"

People: Will He never show His favor again?

Pastor: Has His unfailing love vanished forever?

People: Has His promise failed for all time?

Pastor: Has God forgotten to be merciful?

People: Has He in anger withheld His compassion?"

Pastor: Then I thought, "To this I will appeal:

People: The years of the right hand of the Most High."

Pastor: I will remember the deeds of the Lord;

People: Yes, I will remember Your miracles of long ago.

Pastor: I will meditate on all Your works;

People: And consider all Your mighty deeds.

MUSIC LSB #428 (vs. 3 & 4) "Cross of Jesus, Cross of Sorrow"

**O mysterious condescending!
O abandonment sublime!
Very God Himself is bearing
All the sufferings of time!**

**Cross of Jesus, cross of sorrow,
Where the blood of Christ was shed,
Perfect Man on thee did suffer,
Perfect God on thee has bled!**

Scripture Reading: John 19:23-27

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.

The Message: Preacher: Pastor Jaime Nava, Concordia Lutheran Church

Closing Prayer and Blessing

+ SPECIAL MUSIC +

1:20 P.M.

Opening Prayer Liturgist: Pastor Steve Albers, Trinity Lutheran Church

Hymn: LSB #420 (vs. 1, 2, & 3) "Christ, the Live of All the Living"

**Christ, the life of all the living,
Christ, the death of death, our foe,
Who, Thyself for me once giving
To the darkest depths of woe:
Through Thy suff'rings, death, and merit
I eternal life inherit.
Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,
Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.**

**Thou, ah! Thou, hast taken on Thee
Bonds and stripes, a cruel rod;
Pain and scorn were heaped upon Thee,
O Thou sinless Son of God!
Thus didst Thou my soul deliver
From the bonds of sin forever.
Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,
Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.**

**Thou hast borne the smiting only
That my wounds might all be whole;
Thou hast suffered, sad and lonely,
Rest to give my weary soul;
Yea, the curse of God enduring,
Blessing unto me securing.
Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,
Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.**

Psalm 22 (vs. 1-11)

Pastor: My God, my God, why have You forsaken me?

People: Why are You so far from saving me, so far from the words of my groaning?

Pastor: O my God, I cry out by day, but You do not answer.

People: By night, and am not silent.

Pastor: Yet You are enthroned as the Holy One;

People: You are the praise of Israel.

Pastor: In You our fathers put their trust;

People: They trusted and You delivered them.

Pastor: They cried to You and were saved;

People: In You they trusted and were not disappointed.

Pastor: But I am a worm and not a man,

People: Scorned by men and despised by the people.

Pastor: All who see me mock me;

People: They hurl insults, shaking their heads:

Pastor: "He trusts in the Lord; let the Lord rescue him.

People: Let Him deliver him, since He delights in him."

Pastor: Yet You brought me out of the womb;

People: You made me trust in You even at my mother's breast.

Pastor: From birth I was cast upon You;

People: From my mother's womb You have been my God.

Pastor: Do not be far from me,

People: For trouble is near and there is no one to help.

MUSIC LSB #420 (vs. 6 & 7) "*Christ, the Live of All the Living*"

Thou hast suffered great affliction
And hast borne it patiently,
Even death by crucifixion,
Fully to atone for me;
Thou didst choose to be tormented
That my doom should be prevented.
Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,
Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.

Then, for all that wrought my pardon,
For Thy sorrows deep and sore,
For Thine anguish in the Garden,
I will thank Thee evermore,
Thank Thee for Thy groaning, sighing,
For Thy bleeding and Thy dying,
For that last triumphant cry,
And shall praise Thee, Lord, on high.

Scripture Reading: *Matthew 27:45-49*

Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land until the ninth hour. And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?" that is, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" And some of the bystanders, hearing it, said, "This man is calling Elijah." And one of them at once ran and took a sponge, filled it with sour wine, and put it on a reed and gave it to him to drink. But the others said, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him."

The Message: *Preacher: Pastor Steve Albers, Trinity Lutheran Church*

Closing Prayer and Blessing

+ SPECIAL MUSIC +
Ascension Music Director, Gabe Michael

1:40 P.M.

Opening Prayer *Liturgist: Pastor Matthew Kobs*

Hymn: *LSB #451 (vs. 1 & 2) "Stricken, Smitten and Afflicted"*

**Stricken, smitten, and afflicted,
See Him dying on the tree!
'Tis the Christ, by man rejected;
Yes, my soul, 'tis He, 'tis He!
'Tis the long-expected Prophet,
David's Son, yet David's Lord;
Proofs I see sufficient of it:
'Tis the true and faithful Word.**

**Tell me, ye who hear Him groaning,
Was there ever grief like His?
Friends through fear His cause
disowning,
Foes insulting His distress;
Many hands were raised to wound Him,
None would intervene to save;
But the deepest stroke that pierced Him
Was the stroke that justice gave.**

Psalm 42 *(vs. 1-5, 8-11)*

Pastor: As the deer pants for streams of water,

People: **So my soul pants for You, O God.**

Pastor: My soul thirsts for God, for the living God.

People: **When can I go and meet with God?**

Pastor: My tears have been my food day and night,

People: **While men say to me all day long, "Where is your God?"**

Pastor: These things I remember as I pour out my soul:

People: **How I used to go with the multitude, leading the procession to the house of God, with shouts of joy and thanksgiving among the festive throng.**

Pastor: Why are you downcast, O my soul?

People: **Why so disturbed within me?**

Pastor: Put your hope in God,

People: **For I will yet praise Him, my Savior and my God.**

Pastor: By day the Lord directs His love,

People: **At night His song is with me -- a prayer to the God of my life.**

Pastor: I say to God my Rock, "Why have You forgotten me?"

People: **Why must I go about mourning, oppressed by the enemy?"**

Pastor: My bones suffer mortal agony as my foes taunt me,

People: **Saying to me all day long, "Where is your God?"**

Pastor: Why are you downcast, O my soul? Why so disturbed within me?

People: **Put your hope in God, for I will yet praise Him, my Savior and my God**

MUSIC: *LSB #451 (vs. 3 & 4) "Stricken, Smitten and Afflicted"*

**Ye who think of sin but lightly
Nor suppose the evil great
Here may view its nature rightly,
Here its guilt may estimate.
Mark the sacrifice appointed,
See who bears the awful load;
'Tis the Word, the Lord's anointed,
Son of Man and Son of God.**

**Here we have a firm foundation,
Here the refuge of the lost:
Christ, the Rock of our salvation,
Is the name of which we boast;
Lamb of God, for sinners wounded,
Sacrifice to cancel guilt!
None shall ever be confounded
Who on Him their hope have built.**

Scripture Reading: *John 19:28-29*

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.

The Message: *Preacher: Pastor Matthew Kobs*

Closing Prayer and Blessing

+ SPECIAL MUSIC +
"O Darkest Woe" LSB 448 Dan Gilbert

2:00 P.M.

Opening Prayer *Liturgist: Pastor Dan Gilbert, Messiah*

Hymn: *LSB #430 (vs. 1, 2, & 3) "My Song is Love Unknown"*

**My song is love unknown, My Savior's love to me,
Love to the loveless shown, That they might lovely be,
Oh, 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 men made strange, and none, The longed-for Christ would know.
But, oh, 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.**

Psalm 130

Pastor: Out of the depths

People: **I cry to You, O Lord;**

Pastor: O Lord, hear my voice.

People: **Let Your ears be attentive to my cry for mercy.**

Pastor: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins,

People: **O Lord, who could stand?**

Pastor: But with You there is forgiveness;

People: **Therefore You are feared.**

Pastor: I wait for the Lord, my soul waits,

People: **And in His Word I put my hope.**

Pastor: My soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen wait for the morning,

People: **More than watchmen wait for the morning.**

Pastor: O Israel, put your hope in the Lord,

People: **For with the Lord is unfailing love and with Him is full redemption.**

Pastor: He Himself will redeem Israel

People: **From all their sins.**

Pastor: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;

People: **As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

MUSIC LSB #430 (vs. 4 & 5) "My Song is Love Unknown"

Why, what hath 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 suff'ring goes
That He His foes
From thence might free.

Scripture Reading: *John 19:30*

When Jesus had received the sour wine, he said, "It is finished," and he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

Message: *Preacher: Pastor Dan Gilbert, Messiah*

Closing Prayer and Blessing

+ SPECIAL MUSIC +

"Out of the Depths" - Johann Kuhnau - Trumpet, Nelda Cameron

2:20 P.M.

Opening Prayer *Liturgist: Pastoral Assistant Thomas Gustafson, Timothy Lutheran Church*

Hymn: *LSB #439 (vs. 1-3) "O Dearest Jesus, What Law Hast Thou Broken"*

O dearest Jesus, what law hast Thou broken
That such sharp sentence should on Thee be spoken?
Of what great crime hast Thou to make confession,
What dark transgression?

They crown Thy head with thorns, they smite, they scourge Thee;
With cruel mockings to the cross they urge Thee;
They give Thee gall to drink, they still decry Thee;
They crucify Thee.

Whence come these sorrows, whence this mortal anguish?
It is my sins for which Thou, Lord, must languish;
Yea, all the wrath, the woe, Thou dost inherit,
This I do merit.

Psalm 143 (vs. 1-8)

Pastor: O Lord, hear my prayer, listen to my cry for mercy;

People: **In Your faithfulness and righteousness come to my relief.**

Pastor: Do not bring Your servant into judgment,

People: **For no one living is righteous before You.**

Pastor: The enemy pursues me, he crushes me to the ground;

People: **He makes me dwell in darkness like those long dead.**

Pastor: So my spirit grows faint within me;

People: **My heart within me is dismayed.**

Pastor: I remember the days of long ago;

People: **I meditate on all Your works and consider what Your hands have done.**

Pastor: I spread out my hands to You;

People: My soul thirsts for You like a parched land.

Pastor: Answer me quickly, O Lord;

People: My spirit faints with longing.

Pastor: Do not hide Your face from me

People: Or I will be like those who go down to the pit.

Pastor: Let the morning bring me word of Your unfailing love,

People: For I have put my trust in You.

Pastor: Show me the way I should go,

People: For to You I lift up my soul.

Pastor: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;

People: As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

MUSIC *LSB #439 (vs. 4-5) "O Dearest Jesus, What Law Hast Thou Broken"*

**What punishment so strange is suffered yonder!
The Shepherd dies for sheep that loved to wander;
The Master pays the debt His servants owe Him,
Who would not know Him.**

**The sinless Son of God must die in sadness;
The sinful child of man may live in gladness;
Man forfeited his life and is acquitted;
God is committed.**

Scripture Reading: *Luke 23:44-49*

It was now about the sixth hour, and there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour, while the sun's light failed. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two. Then Jesus, calling out with a loud voice, said, "Father, into your hands I commit my spirit!" And having said this he breathed his last. Now when the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God, saying, "Certainly this man was innocent!" And all the crowds that had assembled for this spectacle, when they saw what had taken place, returned home beating their breasts. And all his acquaintances and the women who had followed him from Galilee stood at a distance watching these things.

The Message: *Preacher: Pastoral Assistant Thomas Gustafson, Timothy Lutheran Church*

Closing Prayer and Blessing

+ SPECIAL MUSIC +

"The Blood of Jesus" -Clark, Knickelbein Performed by Mike Arrigo

2:40 P.M.

Opening Prayer *Liturgist: Pastor Matthew Clark, Ascension Lutheran Church*

Hymn: *LSB #452 (vs. 1, 2, & 3) "O Perfect Life of Love"*

O perfect life of love!
All, all, is finished now,
All that He left His throne above
To do for us below.

No work is left undone
Of all the Father willed;
His toil, His sorrows, one by one,
The Scriptures have fulfilled.

No pain that we can share
But He has felt its smart;
All forms of human grief and care
Have pierced that tender heart.

Psalm 98:1-3, Isaiah 52:7-10

Pastor: Oh sing to the Lord a new song,

People: for he has done marvelous things!

Pastor: His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.

People: The Lord has made known his salvation;

Pastor: he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.

People: He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel.

Pastor: All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

People: How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings good news

Pastor: who publishes peace, who brings good news of happiness.

People: who publishes salvation, who says to Zion, "Your God reigns."

Pastor: The voice of your watchmen—they lift up their voice; together they sing for joy;

People: for eye to eye they see the return of the Lord to Zion.

Pastor: Beak forth together into signing, you waste places of Jerusalem

People: for the Lord has comforted his people; he has redeemed Jerusalem.

Pastor: The Lord has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the nations,

People: and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

MUSIC *LSB #452 (vs. 4 & 5) "O Perfect Life of Love"*

And on His thorn-crowned head
And on His sinless soul
Our sins in all their guilt were laid
That He might make us whole.

In perfect love He dies;
For me He dies, for me.
O all-atoning Sacrifice,
I cling by faith to Thee.

Scripture Reading: *John 19:38-42*

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.

Message: *Preacher: Pastor Matthew Clark, Ascension Lutheran Church*

Closing Prayer and Blessing

Closing Hymn: *LSB #452 (vs. 6 & 7) "O Perfect Life of Love"*

In ev'ry time of need,
Before the judgment throne,
Thy work, O Lamb of God, I'll plead,
Thy merits, not mine own.

Yet work, O Lord, in me
As Thou for me hast wrought;
And let my love the answer be
To grace Thy love has brought.

An offering will be received as worshippers come and go from the sanctuary. Gifts not designated to a particular church via an envelope will be given to CFNA, (Christian Friends of New Americans). Please give generously to this mission.

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