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OF THE GRACE OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST  

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# “It Is Finished”

*The Pastor and congregation enter in silence.*

*On this night we remember that Jesus is the fulfillment of the Old Testament Law and prophecies. He is the promised Son of Eve, who has come to conquer death, hell and the devil for us. His pronouncement “It is finished” means that our salvation is once and for all completed.*

- 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.

**A** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen. Praise to You, O Christ, Lamb of our salvation.

## Psalm

*Psalm 22*

### Why Have You Forsaken Me?

<sup>1</sup>My God, my God, why have you for- | saken me?\*

Why are you so far from saving me, from the words of my |  
groaning?

<sup>2</sup>**O my God, I cry by day, but you do not | answer,\***  
**and by night, but I | find no rest.**

<sup>3</sup>Yet you are | holy,\*  
enthroned on the praises of | Israel.

<sup>4</sup>**In you our fathers | trusted,\***  
**they trusted, and you de- | livered them.**

<sup>5</sup>To you they cried and were | rescued,\*  
in you they trusted and were not | put to shame.

<sup>6</sup>**But I am a worm and | not a man,\***  
**scorned by mankind and despised by the | people.**

<sup>7</sup>All who see me | mock me;\*

they make mouths at me; they | wag their heads;  
 8<sup>6</sup>**He trusts in the LORD; let him de- | liver him;\***  
**let him rescue him, for he de- | lights in him!**”  
 9<sup>Y</sup>et you are he who took me | from the womb; \*  
 you made me trust you at my | mother’s breasts.  
 10<sup>O</sup>n you was I cast | from my birth, \*  
**and from my mother’s womb you have | been my God.**  
 11<sup>B</sup>e not far from me,  
 for trouble | is near, \*  
 and there is | none to help.  
 12<sup>M</sup>any bulls en- | compass me; \*  
**strong bulls of Bashan sur- | round me;**  
 13<sup>t</sup>hey open wide their | mouths at me, \*  
 like a ravening and roaring | lion.  
 14<sup>I</sup> am poured out like water,  
**and all my bones are | out of joint;\***  
**my heart is like wax;**  
**it is melted with- | in my breast;**  
 15<sup>m</sup>y strength is dried up like a potsherd,  
 and my tongue sticks | to my jaws; \*  
 you lay me in the | dust of death.  
 16<sup>F</sup>or dogs en- | compass me; \*  
**a company of evildoers encircles me;**  
**they have pierced my | hands and feet—**  
 17<sup>I</sup> can count | all my bones— \*  
 they stare and gloat | over me;  
 18<sup>t</sup>hey divide my garments a- | mong them, \*  
**and for my clothing they | cast lots.**  
 19<sup>B</sup>ut you, O LORD, do not be | far off! \*  
 O you my help, come quickly | to my aid!  
 20<sup>D</sup>eliver my soul | from the sword, \*  
**my precious life from the power | of the dog!**  
 21<sup>S</sup>ave me from the mouth of the | lion! \*  
 You have rescued me from the horns of the wild | oxen!  
 22<sup>I</sup> will tell of your name to my | brothers; \*  
**in the midst of the congregation I will | praise you:**

<sup>23</sup>You who fear the LORD, praise him!  
 All you offspring of Jacob, glo- | rify him,\*  
 and stand in awe of him, all you offspring of | Israel!

<sup>24</sup>**For he has not despised or abhorred  
 the affliction of the afflicted,  
 and he has not hidden his | face from him,\*  
 but has heard, when he | cried to him.**

<sup>25</sup>From you comes my praise in the great congre- | gation;\*  
 my vows I will perform before those who | fear him.

<sup>26</sup>**The afflicted shall eat and be satisfied;  
 those who seek him shall | praise the LORD!\***  
**May your hearts live for- | ever!**

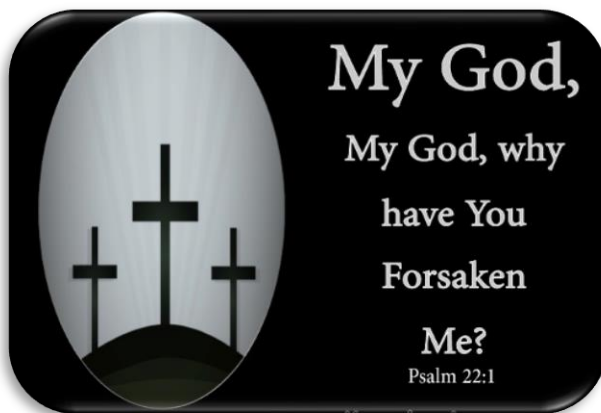
<sup>27</sup>All the ends of the earth shall remember  
 and turn | to the LORD,\*  
 and all the families of the nations  
 shall worship be- | fore you.

<sup>28</sup>**For kingship belongs | to the LORD,\*  
 and he rules over the | nations.**

<sup>29</sup>All the prosperous of the earth eat and | worship;\*  
 before him shall bow all who go down to the dust,  
 even the one who could not keep him- | self alive.

<sup>30</sup>**Posterity shall | serve him;\***  
**it shall be told of the Lord to the coming gener- | ation;**

<sup>31</sup>they shall come and proclaim his righteousness to a people | yet  
 unborn,\*  
 that he has | done it.



Hymn

453 Upon the Cross Extended



1 Up - on the cross ex - tend - ed See, world, your  
 2 Come, see these things and pon - der, Your soul will  
 3 Who is it, Lord, that bruised You? Who has so  
 4 I caused Your grief and sigh - ing By e - vils



Lord sus - pend - ed. Your Sav - ior yields His breath.  
 fill with won - der As blood streams from each pore.  
 sore a - bused You And caused You all Your woe?  
 mul - ti - ply - ing As count - less as the sands.



The Prince of Life from heav - en Him - self has free - ly  
 Through grief be - yond all know - ing From His great heart came  
 We all must make con - fes - sion Of sin and dire trans -  
 I caused the woes un - num - bered With which Your soul is



giv - en To shame and blows and bit - ter death.  
 flow - ing Sighs well - ing from its deep - est core.  
 gres - sion While You no ways of e - vil know.  
 cum - bered, Your sor - rows raised by wick - ed hands.

- 5 Your soul in griefs unbounded,  
 Your head with thorns surrounded,  
 You died to ransom me.  
 The cross for me enduring,  
 The crown for me securing,  
 You healed my wounds and set me free.

6 Your cords of love, my Savior,  
Bind me to You forever,  
I am no longer mine.  
To You I gladly tender  
All that my life can render  
And all I have to You resign.

7 Your cross I place before me;  
Its saving pow'r restore me,  
Sustain me in the test.  
It will, when life is ending,  
Be guiding and attending  
My way to Your eternal rest.

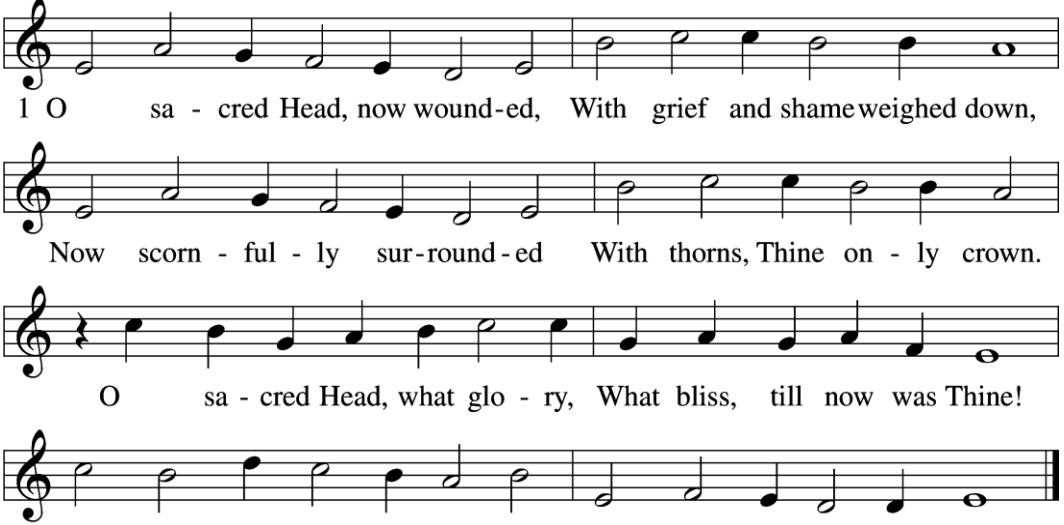
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## THE PASSION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO ST. JOHN

Reading: John 18:1-11

Hymn

450 [O Sacred Head, Now Wounded](#)




1 O sa - cred Head, now wound-ed, With grief and shame weighed down,  
Now scorn - ful - ly sur-round-ed With thorns, Thine on - ly crown.  
O sa - cred Head, what glo - ry, What bliss, till now was Thine!  
Yet, though de-spised and gor - y, I joy to call Thee mine.

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Reading: John 18:12-27

Hymn

450 O Sacred Head, Now Wounded




2 How pale Thou art with an-guish, With sore a-buse and scorn!  
How doth Thy face now lan-guish That once was bright as morn!  
Grim death, with cru-el rig-or, Hath robbed Thee of Thy life;  
Thus Thou hast lost Thy vig-or, Thy strength, in this sad strife.

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Reading: John 18:28-40

Hymn

450 O Sacred Head, Now Wounded



3 What Thou, my Lord, hast suf-fered Was all for sin-ners' gain;  
Mine, mine was the trans-gres-sion, But Thine the dead-ly pain.  
Lo, here I fall, my Sav-ior! 'Tis I de-serve Thy place;



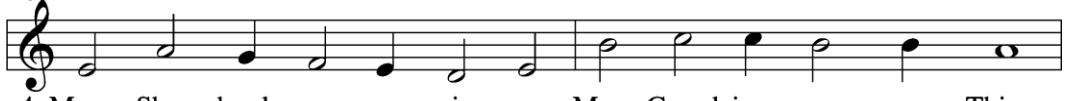
Look on me with Thy fa - vor, And grant to me Thy grace.

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**Reading: John 19:1-16**

**Hymn**

**450 O Sacred Head, Now Wounded**



4 My Shep - herd, now re - ceive me; My Guard - ian, own me Thine.



Great bless - ings Thou didst give me, O Source of gifts di - vine.



Thy lips have of - ten fed me With words of truth and love;



Thy Spir - it oft hath led me To heav'n - ly joys a - bove.

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**Reading: John 19:16-24**

**Hymn**

**450 O Sacred Head, Now Wounded**



5 What lan - guage shall I bor - row To thank Thee, dear - est Friend,



For this Thy dy - ing sor - row, Thy pit - y with - out end?  
 O make me Thine for - ev - er! And should I faint - ing be,  
 Lord, let me nev - er, nev - er, Out - live my love for Thee.

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**Reading: John 19:25-30**

**Hymn**

**450 O Sacred Head, Now Wounded**

6 My Sav - ior, be Thou near me When death is at my door;  
 Then let Thy pres - ence cheer me, For - sake me nev - er - more!  
 When soul and bod - y lan - guish, O leave me not a - lone,  
 But take a - way mine an - guish By vir - tue of Thine own!

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**Reading: John 19:31-42**

## Hymn

## 450 O Sacred Head, Now Wounded



7 Be Thou my con - so - la - tion, My shield, when I must die;  
Re - mind me of Thy pas - sion When my last hour draws nigh.  
Mine eyes shall then be - hold Thee, Up - on Thy cross shall dwell,  
My heart by faith en - fold Thee. Who di - eth thus dies well.

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*Please Stand*

## RESPONSORY

**P** We have an advocate with the Father; Jesus is the propitiation for our sins.

**C** He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.

**P** Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven and whose sin is put away.

**C** He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.

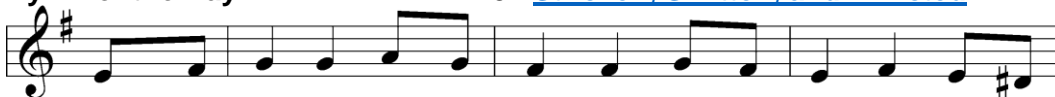
**P** We have an advocate with the Father; Jesus is the propitiation for our sins.

**C** He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.

*Please be seated*

## Hymn of the Day

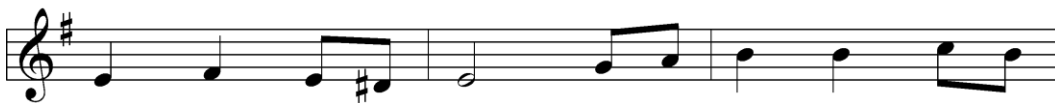
## 451 Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted



1 Strick-en, smit-ten, and af - flict - ed, See Him dy - ing on the  
2 Tell me, ye who hear Him groan-ing, Was there ev - er grief like  
3 Ye who think of sin but light - ly Nor sup - pose the e - vil  
4 Here we have a firm foun - da - tion, Here the ref - uge of the



tree! 'Tis the Christ, by man re - ject - ed; Yes, my  
His? Friends through fear His cause dis - own - ing, Foes in -  
great Here may view its na - ture right - ly, Here its  
lost: Christ, the Rock of our sal - va - tion, Is the



soul, 'tis He, 'tis He! 'Tis the long - ex - spect - ed  
sult - ing His dis - tress; Man - y hands were raised to  
guilt may es - ti - mate. Mark the sac - ri - fice ap -  
name of which we boast; Lamb of God, for sin - ners



Proph - et, Da - vid's Son, yet Da - vid's Lord; Proofs I  
wound Him, None would in - ter - vene to save; But the  
point - ed, See who bears the aw - ful load; 'Tis the  
wound - ed, Sac - ri - fice to can - cel guilt! None shall



see suf - fi - cient of it: 'Tis the true and faith - ful Word.  
deep - est stroke that pierced Him Was the stroke that jus - tice gave.  
Word, the Lord's a - noint - ed, Son of Man and Son of God.  
ev - er be con - found - ed Who on Him their hope have built.

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**Offering** *Collected in the back of the church after service.*

*Please stand*

## PRAYER

### Lord's Prayer

- 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.



**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And with your spirit.

**P** Let us pray. Almighty God, graciously behold this Your family,  
for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, to be given  
into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death on a cross; who lives and  
reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

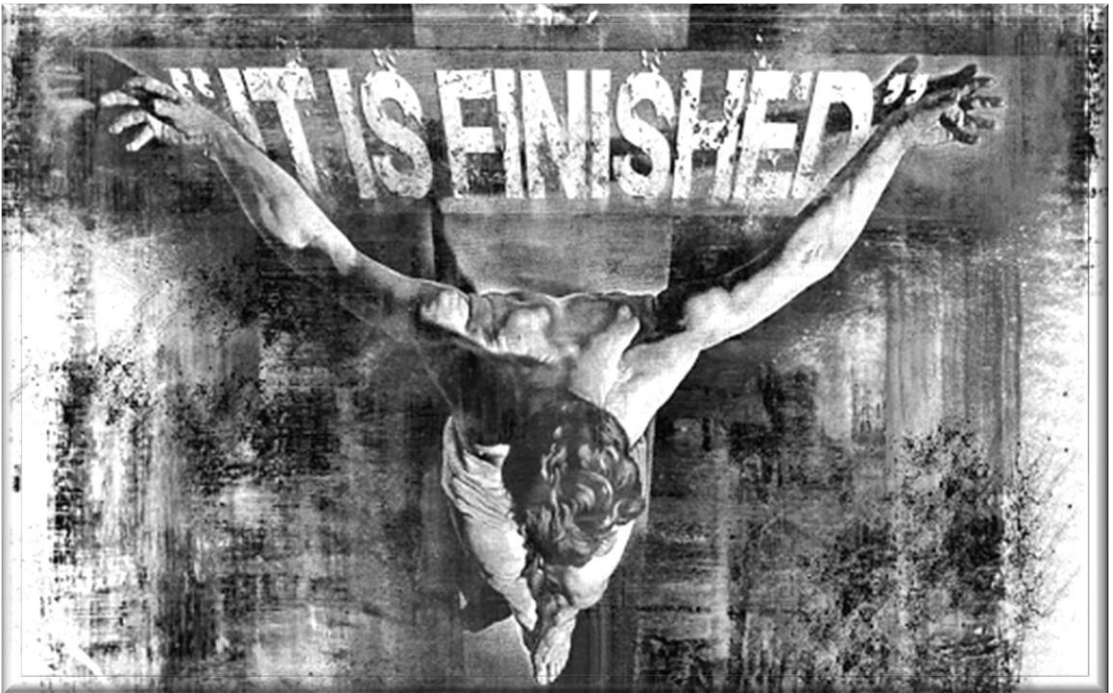
**P** Almighty and eternal God, because it was Your will that Your Son  
should bear for us the pains of the cross and thus remove from us the  
power of the adversary, help us to remember and give thanks for our

Lord's Passion that we may receive remission of sins and redemption from everlasting death. Through Jesus Christ, Your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**☩ Amen.**

*(The light will be carried out, and the book will close.  
The light will return.)*

*After the light returns, Pastor and the congregation will  
depart in silence.*



**Join us for worship this Sunday at 10am as we celebrate the  
resurrection of our Lord.**

## **Synod Sentences for Good Friday**

### ***Behold the Lamb of God, Who Takes Away the Sin of the World***

Jesus, the Lamb of God, is led to the slaughter of His cross as the sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the world. “*Despised and rejected by men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief*” (Is. 53:3), He is the righteous Servant who justifies many by His innocent suffering and death. He bears our griefs and carries our sorrows; He is wounded for our transgressions; He is crushed for our iniquities; He suffers our chastisement, so that “*with His stripes we are healed*” (Is. 53:4–5). As the Son of God, He fulfills the Law for us in human flesh, and so fulfills the Scriptures (John 19:7, 24). For in Christ, “*God was reconciling the whole world to Himself, not counting their trespasses against them*” (2 Cor. 5:19).

### **A Snippet From 1517**

#### ***Good Friday: The Meaning of It All***

*Jesus reminds us of God’s mercy to the helpless, snakebitten children of Israel, then connects that story to him being lifted up on a cross to rescue an entire human race that is snakebitten by sin.*

Nicodemus, the Pharisee, had been struggling to find the meaning in Jesus’ teaching. He believed that Jesus was sent from God on account of the miracles he performed, but he was not grasping what Jesus was teaching about being “born again.” Our Lord did not stop to explain his baptismal statements but instead drew Nicodemus even further into the truth about why he had come to earth and what he was going to do. Jesus foretold his future by calling to mind a story from the past. He told Nicodemus, “And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life” (John 3:14-15).

The story Jesus alluded to comes from Numbers 21. God had heard the cries of the Israelites and delivered them from the horrible bondage of slavery in Egypt. He opened the Red Sea and led his children safely through it while drowning their enemies. He guided them in the wilderness, protected them from enemies, provided for their every need, and promised

them that they would inherit a promised land, full of life-sustaining goodness and abundance.

The Israelites, however, were not grateful. They rebelled against God's mercy and provision. They complained. They despised the food that God provided. They lamented their lot in life and even longed for the days of slavery. Therefore, God gave them what they desired: a life without him. He sent fiery serpents among them, and many of the Israelites were bitten and died. They were terrified. They were stricken with grief and loss. They were unable to remove the deadly venom, to heal themselves. In their misery, they confessed their sins and cried out to God through Moses. Moses prayed to God for the people.

God heard the cries of his people and once more showed them mercy. He told Moses to construct an image of a fiery serpent out of bronze, to fasten it to a pole, and to lift it up into the desert sky. When anyone was bitten by the serpents, they could simply look to the image of the bronze serpent and be healed. God in his mercy did for his children what they could not do for themselves: he removed the deadly poison that threatened their very existence. When they looked where God told them to look for healing, life, and salvation, he led them to the deliverance they so desperately longed for. God's mercy gave them life.

As we contemplate the meaning of Good Friday, we are often like Nicodemus: we struggle to find the meaning of it all. We believe in God, we know a number of Bible stories, we know some things about how we are to live and what God wants us to do. We try to reconcile our lives in the secular world to our Christian lives and see if the pieces fit together. We often feel like we have moments of clarity that make sense in our lives, but then things seem to go fuzzy again as quickly as they came into focus. We want things to make sense, and all too often, they just do not.

This Good Friday our Lord calls us to understand and to believe the meaning of it all. Like Nicodemus, he draws us to stories of the past to give clarity and meaning to the present and to the future. Jesus declares to us that just as Moses lifted up the bronze serpent, so too must he be lifted up on a cross. He reminds us of God's mercy to the helpless, snakebitten children of Israel, then connects that story to him being lifted up on a cross

to rescue an entire human race that is snakebitten by sin. Jesus wants us to understand and to believe that this great act of deliverance is the meaning behind all of the Bible narratives. He calls us to see that his death and resurrection is the meaning of it all.

Why does Jesus compare himself to a serpent, a lowly despised creature of wrath? Because by submitting himself to a horrific crucifixion, he becomes a cursed, reviled creature of wrath. He who had no sin becomes sin for us. He who was not an idolator dies the death of an idolator. He who was not a murderer bears the punishment of a murderer. He who was not a liar, a rapist, a swindler, an adulterer, an absentee father, a crooked politician, an addict, or an oppressor, took the suffering and excruciating death that all those sins demanded. He who was innocent died to pay for the sins of the guilty, the hopeless, the snakebitten, and the hellbound.

Here is the meaning of it all: God's law demanded atonement. All have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God. The wages of all that sin is death. It is here at the crucifixion of Jesus on Good Friday that God's identity is fully revealed to us: we see God in both the fullest expression of his wrath and his love. The law demanded blood atonement. Somebody had to die! But the Gospel is this: he loved you so much he would not let that someone be you. In your place, he sent his own beloved Son, Jesus Christ to die and to rise again. The innocent dies for the guilty, and God's wrath is exhausted. Atonement for sins is made. The debt that hell demanded is paid in full forever. You are free.

As you live now, you will daily sin much, and the law will always accuse you. Since you cannot remove your own sin, look to the crucified Christ who was lifted up so that you may look upon him to see the emblem of God's mercy to you. Jesus Christ was lifted up that the curse of the poison that threatened your very existence would be removed. There is life in Christ Jesus and him crucified for the forgiveness of all your sin. Look to him this Good Friday and find the meaning you so desperately desire.

*Pastor Edward Killian 2020*