



Saturday, March 30
5:00 pm Easter Eve Worship

Easter Sunday March 31
7:00 am, Sunrise Service
8:30 am Traditional Easter Service
10:30 am Contemporary Worship
11:45 am Parking Lot Service



EASTER SUNDAY BREAKFAST

7:30 AM TO 10:30 AM



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WORSHIP:

Sat 5:00 PM, In-Person
Sun 8:30 & 10:30 AM In-Person & Livestream,
11:45 Parking Lot

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GOOD FRIDAY



SAVING GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

March 29, 2024, 12:00 pm and 6:00 pm

GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Welcome to Worship! We extend a special welcome to those visiting Saving Grace Lutheran today. We gather for prayer and meditation, as we contemplate our Lord's sacrifice on the cross. Visitors are invited to fill out a Welcome Card, found in the chairs. Jesus Christ has blessed us by your presence. May God bless our time together!

The Passion Story is told in scripture, meditation and song. At the end of the service, only the eternal light (symbolizing God's eternal presence) remains. We leave the service in thoughtful silence. There is no final benediction or greeting. You are invited to complete the service with the joy of Easter Sunday.

INVOCATION

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

Almighty God, we ask You to look with mercy on Your family for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed and to be given over to the hands of sinners, and to suffer death on the cross. Draw us near to You as we contemplate the triumphant mystery of the cross, the sufferings and passion of our Lord and meditate on His holy words. Give us humble, repentant and grateful hearts as we hear once again of His supreme sacrifice, that the price of sin has been paid, and that the way from death to eternal life has been opened through faith in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

GATHERING HYMN **"Go to Dark Gethsemane"** (vs. 1-3) **Hymn #109**

CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather here to contemplate the suffering and death of our Lord Jesus Christ. *"For our sake God made Him to be sin who knew no sin."* (2 Corinthians 5:21)

Who has believed this thing that has taken place, and to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?

He grew up before God like a tender shoot, and like a root out of dry ground.

He had no beauty or majesty to attract us to Him, nothing in His appearance that we should desire Him. He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows, and familiar with suffering.

Like one from whom men hide their faces He was despised, and we esteemed Him not. (from Isaiah 53:1-3)

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, it was by Your will and divine plan Your Son should bear our sins upon the cross, that through faith in Him we might be forgiven. Help us to remember and to give thanks for our Lord Jesus Christ's death that we may obtain the forgiveness of sins and inherit everlasting life through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

SCRIPTURE Isaiah 53:4-12 – The Suffering Servant OT p. 670

HYMN **"Ah Holy Jesus"** **Hymn #123**

THE WORD

FIRST READING Luke 23:32-38 NT p. 965

MEDITATION *"Father forgive them for they know not what they do"* **Pastor Doran**

HYMN **"Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed"** **Hymn #98**

SECOND READING Luke 23:39-43 NT p. 965

MEDITATION *"Today you will be with me in Paradise"* **Pastor Irgens**

HYMN **"Jesus, in Thy Dying Woes"** (vs.4-6) **Hymn #112**

THIRD READING John 19:25-27 NT p. 990

MEDITATION *"Woman, behold your Son! Behold your mother!"* **Pastor Doran**

HYMN **"O Sacred Head, Now Wounded"** **Hymn #117**

FOURTH READING Mark 15:33-39 NT p. 931

MEDITATION *"My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?"* **Pastor Irgens**

HYMN **"Were You There"** (vs. 1-3) **HYMN #92**

FIFTH READING John 19:28-29 NT p. 990

MEDITATION *"I thirst"* **Pastor Doran**

HYMN **"My Song is Love Unknown"** (vs. 1,4,5,6) **HYMN #94**

SIXTH & SEVENTH READINGS

John 19:30, Luke 23:44-49 NT p. 990 & 965

MEDITATION *"It is Finished"* **Pastor Irgens**

HYMN **"Beneath the Cross of Jesus"** **Hymn #107**

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

CLOSING READING Mark 15:42-47 NT p. 931

***The congregation is asked to leave the sanctuary in silence.
If you would like to leave an offering the offering basket is by the door.***