



HOLY TRINITY PARISH
DECATUR, GEORGIA
GOOD FRIDAY
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We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you,
because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

If we have died with him, we shall also live with him;
if we endure, we shall also reign with him.

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Welcome. If you are visiting and would like to let us
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*Please note – congregational responses are in **bold**.*

On this day the choir is already in place in the chancel. The ministers enter from the side door in silence. All then kneel for silent prayer, after which the Officiant begins the liturgy.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Almighty God, we pray you graciously to behold 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.**

GENESIS 22:1-18

After these things God tested Abraham. He said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt-offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you." So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt-offering, and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him. On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away. Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you." Abraham took the wood of the burnt-offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together. Isaac said to his father Abraham, "Father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." He said, "The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt-offering?" Abraham said, "God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt-offering, my son." So the two of them walked on together.

When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac, and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son. But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven, and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me." And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt-offering instead of his son. So Abraham called that place "The Lord will provide"; as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the Lord it shall be provided."

The angel of the Lord called to Abraham a second time from heaven, and said, "By myself I have sworn, says the Lord: Because you have done this, and have not withheld your son, your only son, I will indeed bless you, and I will make your offspring as numerous as the stars of heaven and as the sand that is on the seashore. And your offspring shall possess the gate of their enemies, and by your offspring shall all the nations of the earth gain blessing for themselves, because you have obeyed my voice."

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

The Cantor sings the refrain and then all repeat it. The Cantor then sings the verses and the congregation joins in singing the refrain.

My_ God,_____ my God,_____ why have you for - sak-en me?

Why have you for - sak - en me? Why have you for - sak - en me?

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? *
 and are so far from my cry and from the words of my distress?
 O my God, I cry in the daytime, but you do not answer;
 by night as well, but I find no rest. **Refrain**

Yet you are the Holy One, enthroned upon the praises of Israel.
 Our forefathers put their trust in you;
 they trusted, and you delivered them.
 They cried out to you and were delivered;
 they trusted in you and were not put to shame. **Refrain**

But as for me, I am a worm and no man,
 scorned by all and despised by the people.
 All who see me laugh me to scorn;
 they curl their lips and wag their heads, saying,
 "He trusted in the Lord; let him deliver him;
 let him rescue him, if he delights in him." **Refrain**

Yet you are he who took me out of the womb,
 and kept me safe upon my mother's breast.
 I have been entrusted to you ever since I was born;
 you were my God when I was still in my mother's womb.
 Be not far from me, for trouble is near,
 and there is none to help. **Refrain**

HEBREWS 4:14-16; 5:7-9

Since then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

MUSICAL REFLECTION

Hymn 168 O sacred head, sore wounded (st. 1-2)

Herzlich tut mich verlangen

The musical score is written for a single voice part in G major, 4/4 time. It consists of four systems of music, each with a vocal line and two staves of lyrics. The first system has two lines of lyrics. The second system has two lines of lyrics. The third system has two lines of lyrics. The fourth system has two lines of lyrics. The music is a simple, hymn-like melody with a clear harmonic structure.

1 O sa - cred head, sore wound - ed, de - filed and put to scorn;
2 Thy beau - ty, long - de - sir - ed, hath va - nished from our sight;

1 O king - ly head, sur - round - ed with mock - ing crown of thorn:
2 thy power is all ex - pir - ed, and quenched the light of light.

1 what sor - row mars thy gran - deur? Can death thy bloom de - flower?
2 Ah me! for whom thou di - est, hide not so far thy grace:

1 O coun - te - nance whose splen - dor the hosts of heaven a - dore!
2 show me, O Love most high - est, the bright - ness of thy face.

THE PASSION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO JOHN

*The People sit in solemn silence as the Passion Gospel is read.
All stand, as able, at the mention of Golgotha, the place of the skull.*

THE SERMON

MUSICAL REFLECTION

O sacred head, sore wounded (st. 3-5)

Herzlich tut mich verlangen

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of three systems of music. Each system has a vocal line on a treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment on a bass clef staff. The lyrics are written below the vocal line. The first system contains three lines of lyrics, the second system contains three lines, and the third system contains three lines. The music is in a common time signature and features a mix of eighth and sixteenth notes in the vocal line, with a steady accompaniment in the piano part.

3 In thy most bit - ter pas - sion my heart to share doth cry,
*4 What lan - guage shall I bor - row to thank thee, dear - est friend,
*5 My days are few, O fail not, with thine im - mor - tal power,

3 with thee for my sal - va - tion up - on the cross to die.
4 for this thy dy - ing sor - row, thy pi - ty with - out end?
5 to hold me that I quail not in death's most fear - ful hour;

3 Ah, keep my heart thus mov - ed to stand thy cross bé - ñeath,
4 Oh, make me thine for - ev - er! and should I faint - ing be,
5 that I may fight be - friend - ed, and see in my last strife

THE SOLEMN COLLECTS

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 everlasting life.

We pray, therefore, for people everywhere according to their needs.

It is customary to kneel for the bidding and silent prayer that follows, then to stand for the Collect by the Officiant. Each time of silent prayer will conclude with the ringing of a chime.

Prayers For the Church

Let us pray for the holy Catholic 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 Rob, our Bishop, and all the people of this diocese

For all Christians in this community

For all about to be baptized, especially Kennedy.

That God will confirm the Church in faith, increase it in love, and preserve it in peace.

Silence.

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose 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 their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Prayers for the Nations

Let us pray for all nations and peoples of the earth, and for those in authority among them;

For Joe, the President of the United States

For Brian, the Governor of Georgia

For the Congress and the Supreme Court

For the Members and Representatives of the United Nations

For all who serve the common good

That by God's help they may seek justice and truth, and live in peace and concord.

Silence

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 in tranquility your dominion may increase, until the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Prayers for the Suffering

Let us pray for all who suffer and are afflicted in body or in mind;

For the hungry and the homeless, the destitute and the oppressed

For the sick, the wounded, and the crippled

For those in loneliness, fear, and anguish

For those who face temptation, doubt, and despair

For the sorrowful and bereaved

For prisoners and those awaiting execution

For captives, and all 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.

Silence

Gracious God, the comfort of all who sorrow, the strength of all who suffer: Let the cry of those in misery and need come to you, that they may find your mercy present with them in all their afflictions; 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.**

Prayers for Those Who Do Not Know Christ

Let us pray for all who have not received the Gospel of Christ;

For those who have never heard the word of salvation

For those who have lost their faith

For those hardened by sin or indifference

For the contemptuous and the scornful

For those who are enemies of the cross of Christ
and persecutors of his disciples

For those 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.

Silence

Merciful God, creator of all 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.**

Prayers for Our Own Lives

Let us commit ourselves to our God, and pray for the grace of a holy life, that, with all who have departed this world 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.

Silence

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light: Look favorably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; by the effectual working of your providence, carry out in tranquility 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 VENERATION OF THE CROSS

*The People remain standing as able as the Cross is brought to the front in stages.
The Cantor and People chant the anthems responsively.*

At the font



We glory in your cross, O | Lord,
and praise and glorify your holy resurrection;
for by virtue of your cross joy has come to the whole | world.

May God be merciful to us and bless us,
show us the light of his countenance, and come | to us.
Let your ways be known upon earth,
your saving health among all na- | tions.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise | you.
We glory in your cross, O Lord,
and praise and glorify your holy resurrection;
for by virtue of your cross joy has come to the whole | world.

At the center of the aisle

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless | you,
because by your holy cross you have redeemed the | world.

If we have died with him, we shall also live with him;
if we endure, we shall also reign with | him.
We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you,
because by your holy cross you have redeemed the | world.

As the cross is placed before the people:

O Savior of the world, who by thy cross and precious blood
hast redeemed | us:
Save us and help us, we humbly beseech thee, O | Lord.

A period of individual devotions follows.

All are invited to come forward to the foot of the Cross for prayer.

Those with nails from Ash Wednesday may place them at the foot of the cross.

MUSIC AT THE VENERATION

Calvary

Spiritual

Calvary, Calvary, surely he died on Calvary.

Adoramus te

Jacques Berthier

Adoramus te domine.

We adore thee, O Lord.

MUSIC AFTER THE VENERATION

Hymn 172

Were you there

Were You There

- 1 **Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?**
- 2 **Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?**
- 3 **Were you there when they pierced him in the side?
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they pierced him in the side?**
- 4 **Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?**

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE 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,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE COMMUNION

Blessed are those who are called to the Supper of the Lamb.

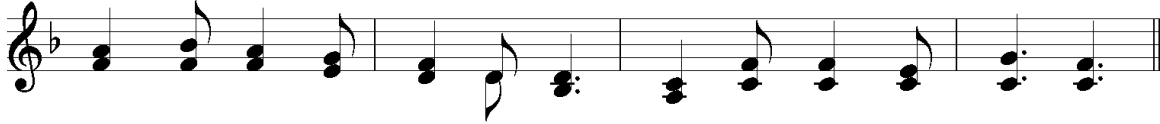
Administered from the reserved Sacrament. Please let the server know if you need gluten-free bread.

All baptized Christians of any age and tradition are invited to receive Holy Communion, and no one who comes to the altar with outstretched hands will be turned away. To receive a blessing instead of the sacrament cross your arms over your chest.

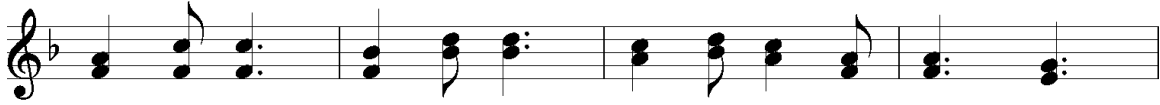
Lift Every Voice and Sing II #29 Jesus, keep me near the cross



1. Je - sus, keep me near the cross, There's a pre - cious foun - tain;
2. Near the cross, a trem - bling soul, Love and mer - cy found me;
3. Near the cross! O Lamb of God, Bring its scenes be - fore me;



1. Free to all, a heal - ing stream Flows from Cal - v'ry's moun - tain.
2. There the Bright and Morn - ing Star Sheds its beams a - round me.
3. Help me walk from day to day With its shad - ows o'er me.



In the cross, in the cross Be my glo - ry ev - er;



Till my rap - tured soul shall find Rest be - yond the riv - er.

THE CLOSING PRAYER

All standing, as able.

Let us pray. Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, we pray you to set your passion, cross, and death between your judgment and our souls, now and in the hour of our death. Give mercy and grace to the living; pardon and rest to the dead; to your holy Church peace and concord; and to us sinners everlasting life and glory; for with the Father and Holy Spirit you live and reign, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

ANTHEM

O vos omnes

Carlo Gesualdo

O vos omnes qui transitis per viam:
attendite et videte si est dolor sicut dolor meus.

O all ye that pass by the way,
attend and see if there be any sorrow like to my sorrow.

The Ministers and People leave in silence.



Good Friday Offerings around the world today support the ministries of the Episcopal Church of Jerusalem and the Middle East. You may place your offering in the green box at the stairs or give online at <https://tinyurl.com/HTPGoodFriGift> (select "Good Friday" from fund drop down menu)



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