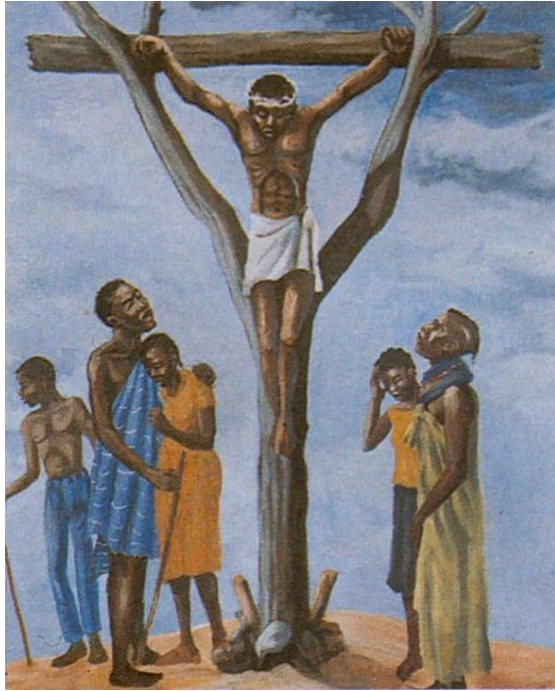


Good Friday



“It is finished” John 18:1-19:42

***Church Of Our Saviour (Episcopal)
Akron, Ohio***

March 29, 2024
7:00 p.m.

The Rev. Debra Q. Bennett
Rector
Mickey McGroarty: Musician

Order Of Service

Prelude Stabat Mater Dolorosa by G.B. Pergolesi arr. Robert Gower

Hymn — Hymnal # 141 Wilt thou forgive that sin, where I began *So giebst du nun*

(A period of silence follows)

Immediately before the collect, the presider says

Presider: Blessed be our God

People: Forever and ever. Amen

Presider: Let us pray

Collect of the Day

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, on Go9d, for ever and ever.

People: Amen

Hymn – Hymnal 82 – 168 O sacred head sore wounded

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "O sacred head sore wounded". It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff at the top and a bass clef staff at the bottom. The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics are written below the treble staff, with five numbered lines of text. The lyrics are: 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; 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,

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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.
 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;

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:
 3 Ah, keep my heart thus mov - ed to stand thy cross be - neath,
 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

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.
 3 to mourn thee, well - be - lov - ed, yet thank thee for thy death.
 4 Lord, let me nev - er, nev - er, out - live my love for thee.
 5 to me thine arms ex - tend - ed up - on the cross of life.

The First Word: Luke 23:32-34

“Father, forgive them for they do not know what they are doing”

A reading from the Gospel according to Luke – The First Word

Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. ³³When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals,

one on his right and one on his left. ³⁴Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing.

The word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Father, forgive them – A meditation

The Second Word: Luke 23:39-45

"Today, you will be with me in paradise"

A reading from the Gospel according to Luke – The Second word

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" ⁴⁰But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? ⁴¹And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." ⁴²Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." ⁴³He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise." - The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Today you will be with me in paradise – A meditation

Hymn – Hymnal 82 – 158 Ah holy Jesus

1 Ah, ho - ly Je - sus, how hast thou of - fend - ed, that man to
2 Who was the guilt - y? Who brought this up - on thee? A - las, my
3 I.o, the Good Shep - herd for the sheep is of - fered; the slave hath
4 For me, kind Je - sus, was thy in - car - na - tion, thy mor - tal
5 There - fore, kind Je - sus, since I can - not pay thee, I do a -

1 judge thee hath in hate pre - tend - ed? By foes de - rid - ed,
 2 trea - son, Je - sus, hath un - done thee. 'Twas I, Lord Je - sus,
 3 sin - ned, and the Son hath suf - fered; for our a - tone - ment,
 4 sor - row, and thy life's ob - la - tion; thy death of an - guish
 5 dore thee, and will ev - er pray thee, think on thy pi - ty

1 by thine own re - ject - ed, O most af - flict - ed.
 2 I it was de - nied thee: I cru - ci - fied thee.
 3 while we noth - ing heed - ed, God in - ter - ced - ed.
 4 and thy bit - ter pas - sion, for my sal - va - tion.
 5 and thy love un - swerv - ing, not my de - serv - ing.

The Third Word: John 19:19-27

“Woman, here is your son...here is your mother

A reading from the Gospel according to John – Third Word

Pilate also had an inscription written and put on the cross. It read, “Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews.” ²⁰Many of the Jews read this inscription, because the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city; and it was written in Hebrew, in Latin, and in Greek. ²¹Then the chief priests of the Jews said to Pilate, “Do not write, ‘The King of the Jews,’ but, ‘This man said, I am King of the Jews.’” ²²Pilate answered, “What I have written I have written.” ²³When the soldiers had crucified Jesus, they took his clothes and divided them into four parts, one for each soldier. They also took his tunic; now the tunic was seamless, woven in one piece from the top. ²⁴So they said to one another, “Let us not tear it, but cast lots for it to see who will get it.” This was to fulfill what the scripture says, “They divided my clothes among themselves, and for my clothing they cast lots.” ²⁵And that is what the soldiers did. Meanwhile, standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother’s sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. ²⁶When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, “Woman, here is your son.” ²⁷Then he said to the disciple, “Here is your mother.” And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home. - The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Woman, here is your son, here is your mother – A meditation

Hymnal #159 – At the Cross Her Vigil Keeping



1 At the cross her vig - il keep - ing, stood the mourn - ful
2 With what pain and de - so - la - tion, with what grief and
3 Him she saw for our sal - va - tion mocked with cru - el
4 Who, on Christ's dear mo - ther gaz - ing, pierced by an - guish
5 Je - sus, may her deep de - vo - tion stir in me the



1 mo - ther weep - ing, where he hung, the dy - ing Lord:
2 res - ig - na - tion, Mar - y watched her dy - ing son.
3 ac - cla - ma - tion, scourged, and crowned with thorns en - twined;
4 so a - maz - ing, born of wo - man, would not weep?
5 same e - mo - tion, Fount of love, Re - deem - er kind;



1 there she wait - ed in her an - guish, see - ing Christ in
2 Deep the woe of her af - flic - tion, when she saw the
3 saw him then from judg - ment tak - en, and in death by
4 Who, on Christ's dear mo - ther think - ing, such a cup of
5 that my heart fresh ar - dor gain - ing, and a pur - er



1 tor - ment lan - guish, in her heart the pierc - ing sword.
2 cru - ci - fi - xion of the sole - be - got - ten one.
3 all for - sak - en, till his spi - rit he re - signed.
4 sor - row drink - ing, would not share her sor - rows deep?
5 love at - tain - ing, may with thee ac - cept - ance find.

The Fourth Word – Matthew 27:45-50

“My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”

A reading from the Gospel according to Matthew – The Fourth Word

From noon on, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. ⁴⁶And about three o’clock Jesus cried with a loud voice, “Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?” that is, “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?” ⁴⁷When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, “This man is calling for Elijah.” ⁴⁸At once one of them ran and got a sponge, filled it with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink. ⁴⁹But the others said, “Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him.”

⁵⁰Then Jesus cried again with a loud voice and breathed his last. – The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

My God, my God why have you forsaken me – A meditation

The Fifth Word – John 19:28-29

“I thirst”

A reading from the Gospel according to John – The Fifth Word

After this, when Jesus knew that all was now finished, he said (in order to fulfill the scripture), “I am thirsty.” A jar full of sour wine was standing there. So they put a sponge full of the wine on a branch of hyssop and held it to his mouth. –The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God

I thirst – A meditation

1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross where the young
 2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the
 3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet sor - row and
 4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were an

Prince of Glo - ry died, my rich - est gain I
 cross of Christ, my God: all the vain things that
 love flow min - gled down! Did e'er such love and
 of - fering far too small; love so a - maz - ing,

count but loss, and pour con - tempt on all my pride.
 charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to his blood.
 sor - row meet, or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
 so di - vine, de - mands my soul, my life, my all.

The Sixth Word – John 19:30-37

“It is finished”

A reading from the Gospel according to John – The Sixth Word

When Jesus had received the wine, he said, “It is finished.” Then he bowed his head and gave up his spirit. – The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

It is finished – A meditation

The Seventh Word – Luke 23:44-49

“Into your hands I commend my spirit”

A reading from the Gospel according to Luke – The Seventh Word

It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon,⁴⁵ while the sun’s light failed; and the curtain of the temple was torn in two. ⁴⁶Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said, “Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.” Having said this, he breathed his last. ⁴⁷When the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God and said, “Certainly this man was innocent.” ⁴⁸And when all the crowds who had gathered there for this spectacle saw what had taken place, they returned home, beating their breasts. ⁴⁹But all his acquaintances, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things.

– The word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Father, into your hands I commend my spirit – A meditation

Hymn – LEVAS 37 Were you there

1. Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? Were you
2. Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree? Were you
3. Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb? Were you
4. Were you there when He rose up from the grave? Were you

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1. there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?
 2. there when they nailed Him to the tree?
 3. there when they laid Him in the tomb?
 4. there when He rose up from the grave?

O! _____

Some-times it caus-es me to trem-ble, trem-ble, trem - ble. _____

1. Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? _____
 2. Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree? _____
 3. Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb? _____
 4. Were you there when He rose up from the grave? _____

Prayer

Lord Jesus - you gave your life for us.
 You suffered and died that we might be made whole.

Let us pray

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light: Look favorably on you 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 being 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.

“Lift up your eyes to the heavens, look at the earth beneath, the heavens will vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment and its inhabitants die like flies. But my salvation will last forever, my righteousness will never fail. – Isaiah 51:6

Anthem God So Loved the World by John Stainer

At the conclusion of the anthem you are invited to stay and pray or may exit quietly

Today’s Lectors: Deidre S-J., Kathi K.

Prayers During Holy Week

Monday

Almighty God whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: Mercifully grant that we walking in the way of the cross may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through Jesus Christ, our Lord who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Tuesday

O God, by the passion of your blessed Son you made an instrument of shameful death to be for us the means of life: Grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ, that we may gladly suffer same and loss for the sake of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Wednesday

Lord God, whose blessed Son our Savior gave his body to be whipped and his face to be spit upon: Give us grace to accept joyfully the sufferings of this present time, confident of the glory that shall be revealed; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Maundy Thursday

Almighty Father, whose dear Son, on the night before he suffered, instituted the Sacrament of his Body and Blood: Mercifully grant that we may receive it thankfully in remembrance of Jesus Christ our Lord, who in these holy mysteries gives us a pledge of eternal life; and who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Good Friday

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.*

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come with the reach of your saving embrace, so cloth by your spirit that we reaching forth our hands in love may bring others who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. *Amen.*

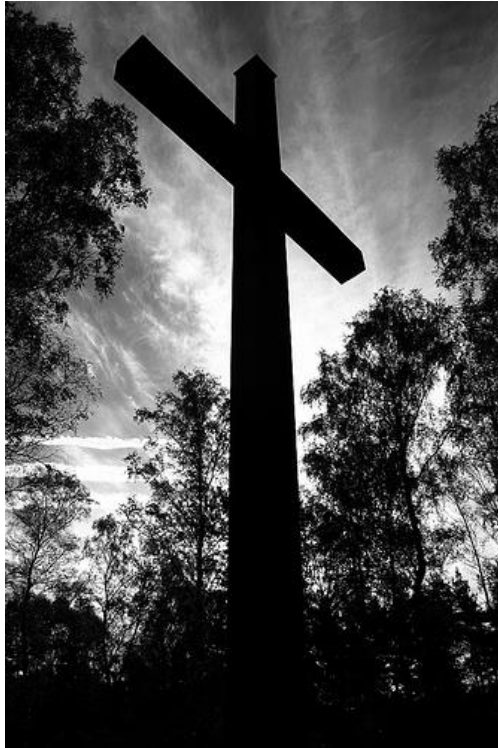
Holy Week

March 29, 2024	–	Good Friday 10 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Reconciliation of the Penitent Noon – Good Friday Liturgy 7 p.m. – Good Friday Liturgy with the Seven Last Words
March 30, 2024	–	Saturday Great Vigil 8:00 p.m. Great Vigil of Easter
March 31, 2024	–	Easter Sunday 10:30 a.m. Easter Day – Mass of the Resurrection

*****Jesus calls us to be his witnesses and evangelists. As we continue our journey to resurrection, Easter Sunday and beyond, invite your friends and others to share in the joy of the Spirit.***



“When I am lifted up, I will draw all people to myself”



In the Cross of Christ I Glory.

“Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.”

“Today you will be with me in paradise.”

“Woman, behold your son, behold your mother.”

“My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”

“I Thirst.”

“It is finished.”

“Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.”

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Thursdays: 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

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