

CREATED, SAVED AND GIFTED BY GOD
WE ARE CALLED TO SEEK,
SERVE AND SHARE JESUS CHRIST



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PASSION / PALM SUNDAY
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8:30 / 11:00 AM
GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH
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PASSION / PALM SUNDAY

On this day Christians throughout the world begin the great and holy week that culminates in the central celebration of our faith: the Lord's passage from death to new life celebrated in the Three Days. Today's reading of Christ's passion sets forth the central act of God's love for humankind. In the reception of the Lord's body and blood, the church receives this life-giving love. In prayer, hymns, and readings, we hear the great paradox of our faith: Christ is proclaimed the mighty one who reigns from the tree of life.

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8:30 / 11:00 a.m. Worship

Joined in Forsakenness

In Matthew and in Mark, two out of the four Gospels, Jesus says only one thing from the cross: "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" Of the "seven last words," three sayings are found only in Luke and three only in John. There is no major conflict among the Gospels' different tellings, but there is certainly a difference in emphasis, a difference in tone. In Matthew and Mark, the story of Jesus' arrest, trial, crucifixion, and death is a story of abandonment. Jesus' closest friends and followers abandon him after proclaiming that they will die before they will deny him. Even Peter, the rock against which Hades will not prevail, distinguishes himself by the most blatant denial of Jesus. Yes, some of the women stay throughout, but they can only look on from a distance. They are witnesses to his suffering, but they are not physically close enough (in Matthew and Mark's telling) to make him feel less alone. Finally, with his movement crushed and his followers scattered, the dying Jesus feels that even God has deserted him.

When terrible or tragic things happen to us, we are devastated in two ways: by the loss or the pain itself, and also by the feeling that we are outside the circle of God's care. It is important for us to know that Jesus also experienced not only the pain and loss, but also the feeling of abandonment by God. When you feel forsaken, you are not outside the story of God's care for God's own. You are with Jesus on the cross. You can't be more inside the story than that. The hope is that for you also, God, unseen, is working to overturn the tragedy, joining you even in forsakenness in order to draw you into Easter.

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** Stand if you are able.

WELCOME

PRELUDE

All Glory, Laud And Honor
Shepherd Bells

(arr. by McChesney)

** GREETING

Hosanna to the Son of David, the King of Israel.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

** MUSIC

A Joyful Hosanna
Shepherd Ringers and Singers

(Susan Etringham)

** PRAYER

Let us pray: God our hope, today we joyfully acclaim Jesus our Messiah and King. Help us to honor him every day so we may enjoy his kingship in the new Jerusalem, where he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever.

Amen.

** THE THANKSGIVING OVER THE PALMS

We praise and bless you, ever-living God, for the acts of love by which you redeem the world through Jesus Christ our Lord. The day he entered the holy city of Jerusalem and was proclaimed king by those who spread their garments and palm branches along his way. Let these branches be for us signs of his victory; and grant that we who bear them may always acclaim Jesus Messiah by walking the way of his suffering and cross; that, dying and rising with him, we may enter into your kingdom. Through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

GATHERING OF PRAYERS / Collecting of Gold / Green Cards

Pastor Prochaska

1. THE ENTRY INTO JERUSALEM – THE PALM SUNDAY PROCESSION

MUSIC

Hosanna (Carl Tuttle; arr. by Gary Rhodes)
Shepherd Singers and Chancel Choir

NARRATOR: When Jesus drew near to Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount that is called Olivet, he sent ahead two of His disciples, saying, "Go into the village opposite. There you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat; untie it and bring it here. If any one asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' you shall say, "The Lord has need of it."

NARRATOR: So those who were sent went away and found it as he had told them...

PEOPLE: **AND AS THEY WERE UNTYING THE COLT, ITS OWNERS SAID TO THEM, "WHY ARE YOU UNTYING THE COLT?"**

PETER: And they said, "the Lord has need of it." And they brought it to Jesus, and throwing their garments on the colt, they set Jesus upon it.

NARRATOR: And as he rode along, they spread their garments on the road. As he was now drawing near, at the descent of the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to rejoice and to praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen, saying:

HYMN

All Glory, Laud and Honor

Refrain:

**ALL GLORY, LAUD AND HONOR
TO THEE REDEEMER KING,
TO WHOM THE LIPS OF CHILDREN
MADE SWEET HOSANNAS RING.**

1. YOU ARE THE KING OF ISRAEL
AND DAVID'S ROYAL SON,
NOW IN THE LORD'S NAME COMING,
OUR KING AND BLESSED ONE.

Refrain:

2. THE COMPANY OF ANGELS
ARE PRAISING YOU ON HIGH,
CREATION AND ALL MORTALS
IN CHORUS MAKE REPLY.

Refrain:

3. THE MULTITUDE OF PILGRIMS
WITH PALMS BEFORE YOU WENT,
OUR PRAISE AND PRAYER AND ANTHEMS
BEFORE YOU WE PRESENT.

Refrain:

PHARISEE: And some of the Pharisees in the multitude cried to him, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples! They're calling you the Christ. Tell them to shut up."

NARRATOR: He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent the very stones themselves would cry out."

4. TO YOU BEFORE YOUR PASSION
THEY SANG THEIR HYMNS OF PRAISE,
TO YOU NOW HIGH EXALTED
OUR MELODY WE RAISE

Refrain:

5. THEIR PRAISES YOU ACCEPTED;
ACCEPT THE PRAYERS WE BRING,
GREAT AUTHOR OF ALL GOODNESS,
O GOOD AND GRACIOUS KING.

Refrain:

NARRATOR: And when he drew near and saw the city he wept over it, saying, "Would that even today you knew the things that make for peace! But now they are hid from your eyes. O Jerusalem! The days shall come upon you, when your enemies will cast up a bank about you and surround you, and hem you in on every side, and dash you to the ground, you and your children within you, and they will not leave one stone upon another in you; because you did not know the time of your visitation."

2. THE PREPARATION AND THE EATING OF THE LAST SUPPER – THE PASSION OF OUR LORD

NARRATOR: Now, the feast of Unleavened Bread drew near, which is called the Passover. And the Temple Priests were seeking how to put Jesus to death; for they feared the people.

JUDAS: Then Satan entered into Judas called Iscariot, who was the number of the twelve; he went away and conferred with the temple priests and officers how he might betray him to them. And they were glad, and engaged to give him money. So he agreed, and sought an opportunity to betray him to them in the absence of the multitude.

NARRATOR: Then came the day of Unleavened Bread, on which the Passover lamb had to be sacrificed. So Jesus sent Peter and John, saying, "Go and prepare the Passover for us, that we may eat it."

PEOPLE: THEY SAID TO HIM, "BUT WHERE, LORD? WHERE WILL YOU HAVE US PREPARE IT, AND WHAT ARE WE TO DO?"

NARRATOR: He said to them, "Behold, when you have entered the city, a man carrying a jar of water will meet you; follow him into the house which he enters, and tell the householder, 'The Teacher says to you, where is the guest room, where I am to eat the Passover with my disciples?' And he will show you a large upper room furnished; there make ready." And they went and found it as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover.

NARRATOR: And when the hour came, he sat at the table, and the apostles with him. And he said to them, "I have earnestly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer. For I tell you, I shall not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God." And he took the cup, and when he had given thanks he said, "Take this and divide it among yourselves; for I tell you that from now on I shall not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes." And he took bread and when he had given thanks he broke it and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." And likewise the cup after supper, saying, "This cup which is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood. But behold the hand of him who betrays me is with me on the table. For the Son of Man goes as it has been determined; but woe to that man by whom he is betrayed!"

PEOPLE: AND THEY BEGAN TO QUESTION, "WHO, LORD? WHO IS TO BETRAY YOU? IS IT I? IS IT I?"

NARRATOR: He answered, "He who has dipped his hand in the dish with me will betray me. Oh, it would have been better for that man if he had not been born."

JUDAS: Judas, who betrayed him, said, "Is it I, Master?"

NARRATOR: Jesus said to him, "You have said so."

PETER: Simon Peter was indignant. "But not I!" he said. And he declared, "Though they all fall away from you, I will never leave you."

NARRATOR: "Peter, truly I say to you, this very night, before the cock crows, you will deny me three times."

PETER: Peter said to him, "Even if I must die with you, I will never deny you!"

PEOPLE: AND SO SAID ALL OF THE DISCIPLES, OVER AND OVER AGAIN.

3. THE AGONY IN THE GARDEN

PEOPLE: (Singing with Shepherd Bells)

**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.**

NARRATOR: And he came out and went, as was his custom, to the Mount of Olives; and the disciples followed him. And when he came to the place he said to them, "Pray that you may not enter into temptation."

PEOPLE: LEAD US NOT INTO TEMPTATION, BUT DELIVER US FROM EVIL.

NARRATOR: And he withdrew from them about a stone's throw, and knelt down and prayed, "Father, if thou are willing, remove this cup from me, nevertheless, not my will, but thine be done."

PEOPLE: LEAD US NOT INTO TEMPTATION, BUT DELIVER US FROM EVIL, EVEN THE EVIL WITHIN OURSELVES.

JUDAS: While he was still speaking, there came a crowd, and the man called Judas, one of the twelve, was leading them. He drew near to Jesus to kiss him.

NARRATOR: But Jesus said to him, "Judas, would you betray the Son of Man with a kiss?"

JUDAS: Judas said, "Hail, Master."

PEOPLE: WHEN THE DISCIPLES SAW WHAT WOULD FOLLOW, THEY SAID, "LORD, SHALL WE STRIKE WITH THE SWORD?"

PETER: And one of them struck the slave of the high priest and cut off his right ear.

NARRATOR: But Jesus said, "No more of this!" And he touched his ear and healed him.

PEOPLE: FORGIVE US OUR TRESPASSES AS WE FORGIVE THOSE WHO TRESPASS AGAINST US.

NARRATOR: Jesus said to those who had come out against him, "When I was with you day after day in the temple, you did not lay hands on me. But this is your hour and the power of darkness". They seized him...

4. THE JUDGEMENT

PEOPLE: (Singing)
FOLLOW TO THE JUDGEMENT HALL
VIEW THE LORD OF LIFE ARRAIGNED;
OH, THE WORMWOOD AND THE GALL!
OH THE PANGS HIS SOUL SUSTAINED!
SHUN NOT SUFFERING, SHAME OR LOSS;
LEARN FROM HIM TO BEAR THE CROSS.

NARRATOR: Then they seized him and led him away, bringing him to the High Priest's house.

PETER: Peter followed at a distance; and when they had kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard and sat down together, Peter sat among them.

PEOPLE: THEN A MAID, SEEING HIM SIT IN THE LIGHT, SAID, "THIS MAN ALSO WAS WITH HIM".

PETER: But he denied it, saying, "Woman, I do not know him."

PEOPLE: AND A LITTLE LATER SOMEONE ELSE SAW HIM AND SAID, "YOU ALSO ARE ONE OF THEM."

PETER: But Peter said, "Man, I am not."

PEOPLE: AN HOUR LATER ANOTHER INSISTED, SAYING, "CERTAINLY THIS MAN ALSO WAS WITH HIM: FOR HE IS GALILEAN".

PETER: But Peter said, "Man I do not know what you are saying!"

NARRATOR: And immediately, while he was still speaking, the cock crowed. And the Lord turned and looked at Peter.

PETER: And Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said to him, "Before the cock crows today, you will deny me three times." And he went out and he wept bitterly.

NARRATOR: Now the men who were holding Jesus mocked him and beat him; they blindfolded him and demanded:

PEOPLE: "PROPHECY! WHO IS IT THAT STRUCK YOU?"

NARRATOR: And they spoke many other words against him, reviling him. When the day came, the assembly of the elders of the people gathered together and led him to their council;

PEOPLE: AND THEY SAID, "IF YOU ARE THE CHRIST, TELL US."

NARRATOR: But he said to them, "If I tell you, you will not believe; and if I ask you now, you will not answer. But from now on the Son of man shall be seated at the right hand of the power of God—."

PEOPLE: **AND THEY SAID, “BLASPHEMY! WHAT FURTHER TESTIMONY DO WE NEED? WE HAVE HEARD IT OURSELVES FROM HIS OWN LIPS. BLASPHEMY! OH, BLASPHEMY!”**

5. DAWN FRIDAY; JESUS BEFORE PILATE

NARRATOR: Then the whole company of them arose, and brought him before Pontius Pilate.

PEOPLE: **AND THEY BEGAN TO CURSE HIM, SAYING, “WE FOUND THIS MAN PERVERTING OUR NATION, AND FORBIDDING US TO GIVE TRIBUTE TO CAESAR, AND SAYING THAT HE HIMSELF IS CHRIST THE KING”.**

PILATE: And Pilate asked him, “Are you the King of the Jews?”

NARRATOR: And he answered him “You have said so.”

PILATE: And Pilate said to the Chief Priests and the multitudes, “I find no crime in this man.”

PEOPLE: **BUT THEY WERE URGENT, SAYING, “HE STIRS UP THE PEOPLE, TEACHING THROUGHOUT GALILEE EVEN TO THIS PLACE.”**

PILATE: And when Pilate heard that he was a Galilean, of Herod’s jurisdiction, he sent him to Herod.

NARRATOR: Where he was vehemently accused, and treated with contempt and mocked, and arrayed in gorgeous purple, and then sent back again.

PILATE: Pilate said to the rulers of the people, “You brought me this man as one who was perverting the people; and after examining him, behold, I did not find him guilty of any of the charges against him. Behold, nothing deserving death has been done by him. I will therefore chastise him and release him—”.

PEOPLE: **BUT THEY ALL CRIED TOGETHER, “AWAY WITH THIS MAN! AWAY! AWAY! RELEASE TO US BARABBAS—”**

NARRATOR: Barabbas! – a man who has been thrown into prison for insurrection and for murder—

PILATE: Pilate addressed them once more, desiring to release Jesus—

PEOPLE: **BUT THEY SHOUTED OUT, “CRUCIFY HIM! CRUCIFY HIM!”**

PILATE: “Why? What evil has he done? I’ve found no crime in him deserving death. I’ll chastise him. I’ll release him—!”

PEOPLE: **BUT THEY WERE URGENT, DEMANDING WITH LOUD CRIES THAT HE SHOULD BE CRUCIFIED.**

NARRATOR: And their voices prevailed.

PILATE: So Pilate gave sentence that their demand should be granted. He released the man who had been jailed for murder. But Jesus he delivered up to their will.

6. FRIDAY MORNING: CRUCIFIXION

PEOPLE: (Singing)

**CALV-R'Y'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.**

**ALL MEN: AND AS THEY LED HIM AWAY, THEY SEIZED ONE SIMON OF
CYRENE, WHO WAS COMING IN FROM THE COUNTRY, AND LAID
ON HIM THE CROSS, TO CARRY IT BEHIND JESUS.**

**ALL WOMEN: AND THERE FOLLOWED HIM A GREAT MULTITUDE OF WOMEN
WHO BEWAILED AND LAMENTED HIM—**

NARRATOR: But Jesus turning to them said, "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me but weep for yourselves and for your children. For behold, the days are coming when they will say, 'Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bore, and the breasts that never gave suck!' For if they do this when the wood is green, what will happen when it dries!"

NARRATOR: Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. And when they came to the place which is called the Skull, there they crucified him, and the criminals, one on the right and one on the left.

NARRATOR: And Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do."

ALL WOMEN: FORGIVE US OUR TRESPASSES.

**ALL MEN: 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!"**

ALL WOMEN: FORGIVE US OUR TRESPASSES.

**ALL MEN: THE SOLDIERS ALSO MOCKED HIM, COMING UP AND OFFERING
HIM VINEGAR.**

**ALL WOMEN: THERE WAS AN INSCRIPTION OVER HIM: "THIS IS THE KING OF
THE JEWS".**

**ALL MEN: FORGIVE US OUR TRESPASSES, FORGIVE US, O LORD, OUR
TRESPASSES!**

JUDAS: One of the criminals who was hanged with him railed at him, saying, "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!"

PETER: But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence, and we justly? But this man has done nothing wrong". And he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom".

**PEOPLE: FORGIVE US OUR TRESPASSES, DELIVER US FROM EVIL. THINE
IS THE KINGDOM—**

NARRATOR: And Jesus said to him—

PEOPLE: AND THE POWER

NARRATOR: “Truly, truly, I say to you—”

PEOPLE: AND THE GLORY—

NARRATOR: “Today you will be with me in Paradise”.

PEOPLE: FOREVER AND EVER. AMEN.

NARRATOR: It was now about the sixth hour – and there was a 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, from the top to the bottom... Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said, “Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit!”. And having said this, he breathed his last. And all the multitudes who had assembled to see the sight,

PEOPLE: WHEN THEY SAW WHAT HAD TAKEN PLACE, RETURNED HOME BEATING THEIR BREASTS.

ALL WOMEN: AND ALL HIS ACQUAINTANCES AND THE WOMEN WHO HAD FOLLOWED HIM FROM GALILEE STOOD AT A DISTANCE AND SAW THESE THINGS—

MUSIC

Three Crosses of Shame
Chancel Choir

(Larson)

7. LATE FRIDAY AFTERNOON: BURIAL

PILATE: Now there was a man named Joseph from the town of Arimathea, a righteous man, one looking for the kingdom of God. This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then he took it down and wrapped it in a linen shroud, and laid him in a rock-hewn tomb, where no one had ever yet been laid.

NARRATOR: It was the day of Preparation, and the sabbath was beginning.

ALL WOMEN: THE WOMEN WHO HAD COME WITH HIM FROM GALILEE FOLLOWED, AND SAW THE TOMB AND HOW HIS BODY WAS LAID. THEN THEY RETURNED, AND PREPARED SPICES AND OINTMENTS.

NARRATOR: On the Sabbath they rested according to the commandment.

(All remain silent for MEDITATION)

MUSIC

God So Loved the World
Jim Rempe, clarinet

(Stainer)

**** THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

The Lenten journey leads us to repentance and new life. Let us turn our hearts to God, who is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.

After each Petition of the Prayer

We pray: **Lord, have mercy.**

The Prayers Conclude

Merciful and gracious God, hear our prayers, restore us to the joy of your salvation, and uphold us with your Holy Spirit, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

MEAL

**** PEACE** (spoken)

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

The Offering is received as the Lord's Table is prepared.

OFFERTORY

What Kind of Love is This
Praise Team

(Craig / Mauldin)

**** THE GREAT THANKSGIVING** (spoken)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE FOR LENT (spoken by the Pastor)

Pastor prays... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY (sung)

(by Marty Haugen; based on Argentine folk melody)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and
might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is

he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. ho - san - na in the high - est.

Pastor prays...

Together as the body of Christ, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Dy - ing you de - stroyed our death, ris - ing you re -
stored our life. Lord Je - sus, come in glo - ry, Lord
Je - sus, come in glo - ry.

... through whom all glory and honor is yours, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, now and forever.

A - men, Al - le - lu - ia, all praise to you for - ev - er. A -
(Praise to you, Lord,)
men, A - men, to you, O God, now and ev - er - more.

** **LORD'S PRAYER** (spoken) (Personal option - holding hands)

Made bold by the Holy Spirit, we pray as Jesus taught:

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.

**** LAMB OF GOD** (sung as communion assistants come forward)



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
Bread of Life,
Sav - ing Cup,

To Repeat All
world: have mer-cy on us, have mer - cy on us.

Last time All
world: grant us your peace, grant us your peace.

HOLY COMMUNION -- Receiving the Lord's tangible presence

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you. The communicant may say: **Amen.**

We invite everyone to come to the Communion Rail and kneel if you are able. Children who have not been instructed are encouraged to join their family for a blessing. The Pastor or Communion Assistant will place the communion wafer in the communicant's "cupped hands". Choice of chalice with wine or individual glasses with wine or apple juice are available. Communicants desiring apple juice will need to "gesture" to the innermost circle of glasses in the communion tray where glasses of apple juice are available. The Communion Assistant will hand you the proper small communion cup. After receiving Holy Communion and private prayer at the Altar we encourage communicants to return to their pew for additional prayer, meditation or participation in singing the communion hymns. God bless you.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

23 (purple songbook)

8 (purple songbook)

Broken for Me

Amazing Love

**** POST-COMMUNION PRAYER** (spoken)

Let us pray.

We bless you, O God, for the free gift of righteousness and peace in Jesus Christ, whose body and blood have nourished us here. Lead us out from this house of prayer to the places you will show us, so that we will be a blessing to others in the name of Christ, our redeemer. **Amen.**

SENDING

**** BLESSING** (sung)

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face to shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace. **Amen.**

**** MUSIC**

The Old Rugged Cross

Chorus 1

So I'll cherish the old rugged cross
Till my trophies at last I lay down
I will cling to the old rugged cross
And exchange it some day for a crown

Verse 1

On a hill far away
Stood an old rugged cross
The emblem of suff'ring and shame
And I love that old cross
Where the dearest and best
For a world of lost sinners was slain

Verse 3

In the old rugged cross
Stained with blood so divine
A wondrous beauty I see
For 'twas on that old cross
Jesus suffered and died
To pardon and sanctify me

Verse 2

Oh the old rugged cross
So despised by the world
Has a wondrous attraction for me
For the dear Lamb of God
Left His glory above
To bear it to dark Calvary

Verse 4

To the old rugged cross
I will ever be true
It's shame and reproach gladly bear
Then He'll call me some day
To my home far away
Where His glory forever I'll share

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DISMISSAL (spoken)

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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Commerations for This Week

Tuesday, March 22

Jonathan Edwards, teacher, missionary to the American Indians, died 1758

A Puritan minister in Connecticut, Edwards is remembered as being a great preacher. Though his most famous sermon talks at length about hell, he was more concerned with God's love. He served both as missionary to the Housatonic people in Massachusetts, and as president of the future Princeton University.

Thursday, March 24

Oscar Arnulfo Romero, Bishop of El Salvador, martyr, died 1980

Romero was deeply concerned with injustices evident toward the poor and powerless in El Salvador, and worked forthrightly against political repression. He was assassinated while presiding at the eucharist in the cathedral in San Salvador.

Friday, March 25

The Annunciation of Our Lord

Nine months before Christmas we celebrate the annunciation, in which the angel Gabriel announced to Mary that she would give birth to the Son of God. The ancient church believed that this was also the date of the world's creation and of Jesus' death on the cross.

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O LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER

Praise & Thanksgiving to God For
The people and friends of Good Shepherd
Cathy & Dan Smith, missionaries in Tanzania
Bishop Mark S. Hanson, Presiding Bishop, ELCA, Chicago
Bishop Callon W. Halloway Jr., Bishop Southern Ohio Synod, ELCA, Columbus
Companion Synods: East of Lake Victoria Diocese, Tanzania, East Africa
and Evangelical Church of Mecklenburg, Germany

GOD'S PRESENCE & STRENGTH FOR

Milan Filcik	Julie
Hazel Reel	Jennifer & husband
Dick Caton, at Oak Creek Terrace	Sharon, who has cancer
Ruth Lackey	Bob
Hannah Pressnell & Captive Free West Lakes Team	Scott Strohminger
Darren	The Laughter family
Lygia Harrison	Chuck
Naomi Oehrtman	Joe Miller
Harold DeVilbiss, who began chemotherapy on March 4	Jeff
Nick	The family of Rose Farar
Lisa Pruitt, had surgery 3/8	Mary Campbell, co-worker of Paula Bennett, on her daughter's hospitalization
Sarah, recently diagnosed with lupus	Alistair Jacques, colleague of Rob Blackburn, whose is hospitalized
Marguerite Olt, had tests 3/10	
The Richardson family, on the death of James	

March 20, 2005 – Passion / Palm Sunday
Prayers Received March 13, 2005 – The Fifth Sunday of Lent

**Please take this home and use it daily to remember in prayer
those who are near and dear to the Good Shepherd Community of Faith**

Please email Sheila or Jeff Stutrud with your prayer requests at prayers@goodshepherdkettering.com