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SOUNDS

of the Passion

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Lent 2025

Immanuel Lutheran Church - Mankato, MN
Grace Lutheran Church - Sleepy Eye, MN
Salem Lutheran Church - Eagle Lake, MN
St. John's Lutheran Church - Okabena, MN

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✠ Opening Prayer ✠

Hymn: TLH #175

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C *♫ Amen.*

Responsive Reading

Mark 14:26-31

P And when they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. Then Jesus said to them, “All of you will be made to stumble because of Me this night, for it is written: ‘I will strike the Shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered.’ But after I have been raised, I will go before you to Galilee.”

C **Peter said to Him, “Even if all are made to stumble, yet I will not be.”**

P Jesus said to him, “Assuredly, I say to you that today, even this night, before the rooster crows twice, you will deny Me three times.”

C **But he spoke more vehemently, “If I have to die with You, I will not deny You!” And they all said likewise.**

Confession & Absolution of Sins

C **Gracious God, You know our frailty. You understand our weakness. You are acquainted with our failures. Though we have professed to believe, we betray our Lord by our actions. Though we have promised to follow, we deny Christ by our selfishness. Though we have vowed to be faithful, we desert our Savior by our own desires. We have lived for ourselves and abandoned those in need. We have refused to bear the troubles of others. In Your great mercy, forgive our sins, free us from all evil, and enable us to live for You, through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.**

P “God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, He has removed your guilt forever. You are His own dear child. May God give you grace to live according to His will.

C **Amen.**

Hymn: TLH #172:1-4

“O Sacred Head, Now Wounded”



John 19:30

When Jesus had received the sour wine, he said, "It is finished," and he bowed his

head and gave up his spirit.

Sounds of the Passion: The Cry of Victory, "It Is Finished."

✠ The Offering of Thankful Hearts ✠

Choir

"Is This the Savior?"

Hymn: WS #721

"Cross of Jesus, Cross of Sorrow"

✠ The Service of Darkness ✠

I. The Gospel: Mark 14:32-42

Gethsemane

Extinguishing of the first candle.

Hymn: TLH #159

"Go to Dark Gethsemane"

II. The Gospel: Mark 14:43-52

Betrayal and Arrest

P And immediately, while He was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, with a great multitude with swords and clubs, came from the chief priests and the scribes and the elders.

C **Now His betrayer had given them a signal, saying, "Whomever I kiss, He is the One; seize Him and lead Him away safely."**

P As soon as he had come, immediately He went up to Him and said to Him, "Rabbi, Rabbi!" and kissed Him. Then they laid their hands on Him and took Him.

C **And one of those who stood by drew his sword and struck the servant of the high priest and cut off his ear.**

P Then Jesus answered and said to them, "Have you come out, as against a robber, with swords and clubs to take Me? I was daily with you in the temple teaching, and you did not seize Me. But the Scriptures must be fulfilled."

C Then they all forsook Him and fled. Now a certain young man followed Him, having a linen cloth thrown around his naked body. And the young men laid hold of him, and he left the linen cloth and fled from them naked.

III. The Gospel: Mark 14:53-65

The Sanhedrin Trial

Extinguishing of the second candle.

Hymn: TLH #143:1-2, 4-5

“O Dearest Jesus”

IV. The Gospel: Mark 14:66-72

The Courtyard

Extinguishing of the third candle.

Hymn: TLH #179

“On My Heart Imprint Thine Image”

V. The Gospel: Mark 15:1-15

The Roman Trial

P Immediately, in the morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council; and they bound Jesus, led Him away, and delivered Him to Pilate.

C Then Pilate asked Him, **“Are You the King of the Jews?”**

P He answered and said to him, “It is as you say.” And the chief priests accused Him of many things, but He answered nothing.

C Then Pilate asked Him again, saying, **“Do You answer nothing? See how many things they testify against You!”**

P But Jesus still answered nothing, so that Pilate marveled.

C Now at the feast he was accustomed to releasing one prisoner to them, whomever they requested.

P And there was one named Barabbas, who was chained with his fellow rebels; they had committed murder in the rebellion. Then the multitude, crying aloud, began to ask him to do just as he had always done for them.

C But Pilate answered them, saying, **“Do you want me to release to you the King of the Jews?” For he knew that the chief priests had handed Him over because of envy.**

P So they cried out again, “Crucify Him!”

C Then Pilate said to them, **“Why, what evil has He done?”**

P But they cried out all the more, "Crucify Him!"

C So Pilate, wanting to gratify the crowd, released Barabbas to them; and he delivered Jesus, after he had scourged Him, to be crucified.

VI. The Gospel: Mark 15:16-20 *The Mocking of the Soldiers*

Extinguishing of the fourth candle.

Hymn: WS #722

"Deep Were His Wounds"

VII. The Gospel: Mark 15:21-32

The Crucifixion

Extinguishing of the fifth candle.

Hymn: TLH #171:1, 3-4, 12

"Upon the Cross Extended"

VIII. The Gospel: Mark 15:33-41

Christ's Death

Extinguishing of the sixth candle.

Hymn: Below

"Lamb of God"

1 Your on - ly Son, no sin to hide, But You have
2 Your Gift of love they cru - ci - fied, They laughed and
3 I was so lost, I should have died, But You have

sent Him from Your side To walk up - on this guilt - y
scorned Him as He died: The hum - ble King they named a
brought me to Your side To be led by Your staff and

sod, And to be - come the Lamb of God.
fraud, And sac - ri - ficed the Lamb of God. O Lamb of
rod, And to be called a lamb of God.

God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the ho - ly Lamb of God! O wash me

in His pre - cious blood, My Je - sus Christ, the Lamb of God.

Extinguishing of the seventh candle.

The Benediction

P Go now into the darkness of evening. Though we walk in darkness, we are not forsaken. We are led by the hand of God. May the love of the Father calm your fears. May the grace of the Lord Jesus keep you through the night. May the presence of the Holy Spirit sustain you throughout life. The Lord be with you. Amen.

✠ **The Lord's Prayer** ✠

✠ **The Sealing of the Tomb** ✠

✠ **The Tolling of the Bell** ✠

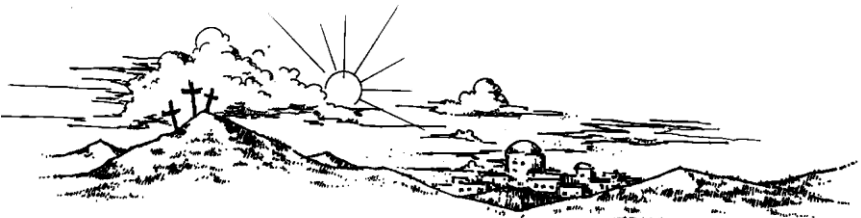
The congregation is asked to leave the service quietly.

Please join us on Sunday as we rejoice to see that the tomb is empty and that Christ is risen indeed!

Sunday School – 9:15 am

Bible Class – 9:30 am

Easter Service – 10:30 am



It is finished.

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