

Watchword for Good Friday

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.
(John 3:16)
(Moravian Daily Texts 2019)

As you arrive in church, you are invited to take a seat and, instead of chatting, to sit and reflect in silence.

WELCOME & CALL to WORSHIP (Psalm 22)

You will find the words for this responsive Psalm reading at No. 13 in your hymnbooks.

OPENING PRAYER

Hymn 486 1-2 *Forgive our sins as we forgive*
(Hymn of the Month, April 2019)

THE SOUNDS OF GOOD FRIDAY

Seven readings and meditations

READING: John 18:1-14 *NT p. 141*

MEDITATION: The sound of soldiers

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Hymn 379 *Holy God, holy and mighty*

READING: John 18:15-27 *NT p. 141*

MEDITATION: The sound of the cock crow

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Taizé chorus 3 (See insert)

READING: Matthew 27:1-10 *NT p. 41*

MEDITATION: The sound of falling silver coins

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Hymn 486 3-4 *Forgive our sins as we forgive*

READING: Matthew 27:11-14 *NT p. 42*

MEDITATION: The sound of silence

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Hymn 356 * *Meekness and majesty*

COMMUNION PRAYER

Taizé choruses 19, 63 (See insert)

WORDS of INSTITUTION

Choir *The Ground (Ola Gjeilo, "Sunrise Mass")*

COMMUNION *Please come forward*

Taizé choruses 5, 17 (during communion)

READING: Matthew 27:15-22 *NT p. 42*

MEDITATION: The sound of the crowd's roar

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Choir *And can it be?*

If you wish to sing along after the choir intro, you will find the words and tune at No. 396 (2) (verses 1 and 5 only) in your hymnbooks.

READING: Matthew 27:24-26 *NT p. 42*

MEDITATION: The sound of pouring water

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Hymn 374 * *From heaven you came*

READING: Luke 23:26-49 *NT p. 112*

MEDITATION: The sound of crying

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Taizé chorus 30 (See insert)

CLOSING PRAYER

Lord Jesus,
by your cross and resurrection: **deliver us**
by your witness to the truth: **deliver us**
by your passion and death: **deliver us**
by your victory over the grave: **deliver us**
from the lust of power: **deliver us**
from the conspiracy of silence: **deliver us**
from the worship of weapons: **deliver us**
from the slaughter of innocents: **deliver us**
from the nightmare of hunger: **deliver us**
from the peace that is no peace: **deliver us**
from security that is no security: **deliver us**
from the politics of terror: **deliver us**
from the plundering of the earth's resources: **deliver us**
from the dispossession of the poor: **deliver us**
from the despair of this age: **deliver us**
by the light of the gospel: **give us peace**
by the good news for the poor: **give us peace**
by your healing of our wounds: **give us peace**
by faith in your word: **give us peace**
by hunger and thirst for justice: **give us peace**
by the coming of your kingdom: **give us peace**
Amen

Hymn 382 * *O Sacred Head! sore wounded*

BLESSING

After the blessing, you are invited to sit down again for as long (or short) a time as you wish, then to leave the church in silent reflection.

Notices

- **“All are welcome in this place.”** *Good you're here!* You're invited to add your name and post or e-mail address in the book at the back of church if you wish to receive the ECC News with details of upcoming events.
- Today we celebrate **Holy Communion** – you are **invited to share** in this sacrament, including your children if you so wish.
- **Today's worship team:**
 - Duty elder:** Michelle Mizuno-Wiedner
 - Reader:** Michelle Mizuno-Wiedner
 - Organ:** Dani Simanjuntak
 - Choirs:** ECC Choir / Dani Simanjuntak
- Our **offering** during worship is our main source of income. **Please give generously.**
- Please switch all **mobile phones** off or to the mute mode / vibration signal during worship. Thank you.



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Good Friday Holy Communion

“Pax intrantibus, salus exeuntibus”
“On entering, peace – on departure, blessing”
(Pauluskirche Bochum – Porch Inscription 1655)

Worship every Sunday at 12.30

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