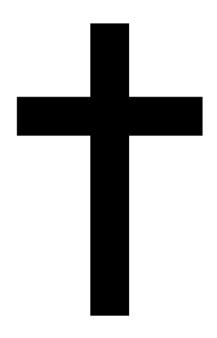
March 29, 2024 Good Friday 7:30 PM

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Good Friday Seven Last Words

We have hearing assistance devices available. Please ask an Usher if you would like to use one to help with hearing the service.

Please silence your cell phone before worship begins. Thank you.

Welcome to Reformation!

Because we begin our service tonight silently in reverence for the Savior's death, we may not be able to greet visitors personally, but we are glad you are with us. We hope you experience God's love for you here this evening, and that you continue to worship with us on Easter Sunday! We invite you to fill out the pew pad in your row so we can be in touch.

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All gather in silence.

Procession of the Cross

- **P:** Behold the life-giving Cross, on which was hung the Savior of the world.
- C: Oh come, let us worship him.

Repeated three times as the processional crucifix is brought forward.

Hymn "Were You There" **No. 353**

Prayer of the Day

- **P:** The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- **P:** Let us pray:
- C: Lord Jesus, you carried our sins in your own body on the tree so that we might have life. May we and all who remember this day find new life in you, both now and in the world to come, where you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

First Reading Isaiah 52:13-53:12

At the conclusion of the reading, the congregation responds:

Thanks be to God.

The Seven Last Words

A candle is extinguished after each reflection, symbolizing the dying of the Light of the World. Silence is kept after each reflection.

Luke 23:32-34a Pastor Paige G. Evers

"Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing."

Luke 23:35-43 Pastor Eric W. Evers

"Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise."

John 19:25b–27 Pastor John Ranney

"Woman, here is your son. Here is your mother."

Hymn "O Sacred Head Now Wounded" No. 351

Matthew 27:45-46 Pastor Dianna Smith

"My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"

John 19:28-29 Pastor Paige G. Evers

"I am thirsty."

John 19:30 Pastor Eric W. Evers

"It is finished."

Special Music "It Is Finished, Tetelestai" Choir "Tetelestai" is the Greek word literally translated as "It is finished," spoken by Christ in John 19. "Paid in full!"

Luke 23:44-46 Pastor Rod Kopp

"Father, into your hands I commend my spirit."

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, forever and ever. Amen.

Hymn "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" **No. 803**

The Closing Versicles

P: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless your sacred Name.

C: By your holy Cross you have redeemed the world.

All are invited to remain for personal prayer and reflection. There is no benediction, as our worship continues at the Service of Light Saturday evening (7:00) and does not conclude until Easter morning.

We depart in reverent silence.

SERVING THIS EVENING

Lay Reader Mickey Chaffinch
Usher Joan VanGorder
Live Stream Operator Kristin Schlegel

HOLY WEEK AT REFORMATION

March 30: Easter Vigil

Service of Light at 7:00 pm Preparing the Sanctuary at 7:30 pm

March 31: Easter Sunday

Worship Service at 8:30 and 11:00 am Coffee Fellowship at 9:45 am