



# *Good* FRIDAY

The central event of the Christian faith is the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. That unitive event of cross and resurrection is the core of apostolic preaching; it is also the central celebration of the church's liturgy.

# THE PASSION OF OUR LORD ACCORDING TO SAINT JOHN

GOOD FRIDAY + APRIL 18, 2025 ✠ 8 PM ✠ BOE MEMORIAL CHAPEL, ST. OLAF COLLEGE

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❖ *indicates the congregation shall stand*

## GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

*The congregation gathers in silence.*

### PRAYER

📖 ...the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

🔊 **Amen.**

### HOMILY

### ❖ BIDDING PRAYER

📖 Let us pray, siblings in Christ, for the holy Church throughout the world.

*Silent prayer*

📖 Almighty and eternal God... we ask this through Christ our Lord.

🔊 **Amen.**

*After each petition of the prayers:*

📖 ... we ask this through Christ our Lord.

🔊 **Amen.**

### ❖ HYMN "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

ROCKINGHAM OLD

1. When I sur - vey the won - drous cross on which the  
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 a

prince of glo - ry died, my rich - est gain I  
 death of Christ, my God; all the vain things that  
 love flow min - gled down. Did e'er such love and  
 pre - sent 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.

*Please be seated for the Passion account from John 18:1-19:42.*

*The congregation will read in unison the part of the People which is printed in bold type.*

#### LESSON John 18:1-11

Jesus went out with his disciples across the Kidron valley to a place where there was a garden, which he and his disciples entered. Now Judas, who betrayed him, also knew the place, because Jesus often met there with his disciples. So Judas brought a detachment of soldiers together with police from the chief priests and the Pharisees, and they came there with lanterns and torches and weapons. Then Jesus, knowing all that was to happen to him, came forward and asked them, "Whom are you looking for?" They answered, "**Jesus of Nazareth.**" Jesus replied, "I am he." Judas, who betrayed him, was standing with them. When Jesus said to them, "I am he," they stepped back and fell to the ground.

Again he asked them, "Whom are you looking for?" And they said, "**Jesus of Nazareth.**" Jesus answered, "I told you that I am he. So if you are looking for me, let these men go." This was to fulfill the word that he had spoken, "I did not lose a single one of those whom you gave me."

Then Simon Peter, who had a sword, drew it, struck the high priest's slave, and cut off his right ear. The slave's name was Malchus. Jesus said to Peter, "Put your sword back into its sheath. Am I not to drink the cup that the Father has given me?"

Sing, my tongue, the glorious battle; sing the ending of the fray.  
Now above the cross, the trophy, sound the loud triumphant lay;  
tell how Christ, the world’s redeemer, as a victim won the day.

Venantius Honorius Fortunatus (530-609)  
trans. John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt.

## LESSON John 18:12-27

So the soldiers, their officer, and the Jewish police arrested Jesus and bound him. First they took him to Annas, who was the father-in-law of Caiaphas, the high priest that year. Caiaphas was the one who had advised that it was better to have one person die for the people. Simon Peter and another disciple followed Jesus. Since that disciple was known to the high priest, he went with Jesus into the courtyard of the high priest, but Peter was standing outside at the gate. So the other disciple, who was known to the high priest, went out, spoke to the woman who guarded the gate, and brought Peter in. The woman said to Peter, “You are not also one of this man’s disciples, are you?” He said, “I am not.” Now the slaves and the police had made a charcoal fire because it was cold, and they were standing around it and warming themselves. Peter also was standing with them and warming himself. Then the high priest questioned Jesus about his disciples and about his teaching. Jesus answered, “I have spoken openly to the world; I have always taught in synagogues and in the temple, where all the Jews come together. I have said nothing in secret. Why do you ask me? Ask those who heard what I said to them; they know what I said.” When he had said this, one of the police standing nearby struck Jesus on the face, saying, “Is that how you answer the high priest?” Jesus answered, “If I have spoken wrongly, testify to the wrong. But if I have spoken rightly, why do you strike me?” Then Annas sent him bound to Caiaphas the high priest. Now Simon Peter was standing and warming himself. They asked him, **“You are not also one of his disciples, are you?”** He denied it and said, “I am not.” One of the slaves of the high priest, a relative of the man whose ear Peter had cut off, asked, “Did I not see you in the garden with him?” Again Peter denied it, and at that moment the cock crowed.

## ❖HYMN #349 “Ah, Holy Jesus”

HERZLIEBSTER JESU

*(stanzas 1, 2)*

## LESSON John 18:28-19:3

Then they took Jesus from Caiaphas to Pilate’s headquarters. It was early in the morning. They themselves did not enter the headquarters, so as to avoid ritual defilement and to be able to eat the Passover. So Pilate went out to them and said, “What accusation do you bring against this man?” They answered, **“If this man were not a criminal, we would not have handed him over to you.”** Pilate said to them, “Take him yourselves and judge him according to your law.” The temple authorities replied, **“We are not permitted to put anyone to death.”** (This was to

fulfill what Jesus had said when he indicated the kind of death he was to die.)

Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, “Are you the King of the Jews?” Jesus answered, “Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?” Pilate replied, “I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?” Jesus answered, “My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here.” Pilate asked him, “So you are a king?” Jesus answered, “You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.” Pilate asked him, “What is truth?” After he had said this, he went out to the people again and told them, “I find no case against him. But you have a custom that I release someone for you at the Passover. Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?” They shouted in reply, **“Not this man, but Barabbas!”** Now Barabbas was a bandit. Then Pilate took Jesus and had him flogged.

CHORUS from “Messiah”

George Frederic Handel (1685-1759)

Surely, he hath borne our griefs and carried our sorrows.  
He was wounded for our transgressions,  
he was bruised for our iniquities;  
the chastisement of our peace was upon him.

(Isaiah 53:4-5)

LESSON John 19:2-3

And the soldiers wove a crown of thorns and put it on his head, and they dressed him in a purple robe. They kept coming up to him, saying, **“Hail, King of the Jews!”** and striking him on the face.

❖HYMN #351 “O Sacred Head, Now Wounded”

HERZLICH TUT MICH VERLANGEN

LESSON John 19:4-7

Pilate went out again and said to them, “Look, I am bringing him out to you to let you know that I find no case against him.” So Jesus came out, wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe. Pilate said to them, “Here is the man!” When the chief priests and the police saw him, they shouted, “Crucify him! Crucify him!” Pilate said to them, “Take him yourselves and crucify him; I find no case against him.” The temple authorities answered him, **“We have a law, and according to that law he ought to die because he has claimed to be the Son of God.”**

CHORUS from "Messiah"

Handel

He trusted in God that he would deliver him;  
let him deliver him if he delight in him.  
he was bruised for our iniquities;  
the chastisement of our peace was upon him.

(Psalm 22: 8)

LESSON John 19:8-16a

Now when Pilate heard this, he was more afraid than ever. He entered his headquarters again and asked Jesus, "Where are you from?" But Jesus gave him no answer. Pilate therefore said to him, "Do you refuse to speak to me? Do you not know that I have power to release you, and power to crucify you?" Jesus answered him, "You would have no power over me unless it had been given you from above; therefore the one who handed me over to you is guilty of a greater sin." From then on Pilate tried to release him, but the crowd cried out, **"If you release this man, you are no friend of the emperor. Everyone who claims to be a king sets himself against the emperor."** When Pilate heard these words, he brought Jesus outside and sat on the judge's bench at a place called The Stone Pavement, or in Hebrew Gabbatha. Now it was the day of Preparation for the Passover; and it was about noon. He said to the people, "Here is your King!" They cried out, **"Away with him! Away with him! Crucify him!"** Pilate asked them, "Shall I crucify your King?" The chief priests answered, "We have no king but the emperor." Then he handed him over to them to be crucified.

CHORUS from "Messiah"

Handel

And with his stripes we are healed.

CHORUS from "Messiah"

Handel

All we like sheep, have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way.  
and the Lord hath laid on him the iniquity of us all.

(Isaiah 53:5-6)

LESSON John 19:16b-25a

So they took Jesus; and carrying the cross by himself, he went out to what is called The Place of the Skull, which in Hebrew is called Golgotha. There they crucified him, and with him two others, one on either side, with Jesus between them. Pilate also had an inscription written and put on the cross. It read, "Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews." It was read by many people, because the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city; and it was written in Hebrew, in Latin, and in Greek. Then the chief priests said to Pilate, **"Do not write, 'The King of the Jews,' but, 'This man said, I am King of the Jews.'"** Pilate

answered, "What I have written I have written." When 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. So 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."

And that is what the soldiers did.

AIR from "Messiah"

Handel

Evan Holt '27, bass

He was despised and rejected of men;  
a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief.

He gave his back to the smiters,  
and his cheeks to them that plucked off the hair;  
he hid not his face from shame and spitting

He was despised and rejected of men;  
a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief.

(Isaiah 53:3; 50:6)

*All stand.*

❖ LESSON John 19:25b-30

❖ HYMN #349 "Ah, Holy Jesus"

HERZLIEBSTER JESU

*(stanzas 3, 4 & 5)*

LESSON John 19:31-42

❖ HYMN #353 "Were You There"

WERE YOU THERE

*(stanzas 1, 2 & 5)*

❖ THE LORD'S PRAYER (*unison*)

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.**

Christ we do all adore thee, and we do praise thee forever,  
For on the holy cross hast thou the world from sin redeemed.

*The service ends in silence.*

*Please maintain the silence until you are outside the chapel building.*

*Benedictions are omitted from services on Maundy Thursday and Good Friday  
to indicate their continuity with each other and the Great Vigil of Easter on Saturday night.*

**LEADERS IN THE LITURGY:**

Matthew Marohl, College Pastor; Katherine Fick, Associate College Pastor  
St. Olaf Cantorei - James Bobb, conductor and Cantor to the Student Congregation  
Readers: Mary Kreklow, Britta Hagen, Ben Thompson

**Chamber Orchestra:**

Violin: Naomi Chan, Claire Hughes, Mia Stipkovits, Josh Villanoy  
Viola: Akseli Mende, Ian Woodrich  
Cello: Alice Ryan, Gerrit Vanderschoot  
Bass: Holden Peckenpaugh

**HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES IN BOE MEMORIAL CHAPEL:**

***Great Vigil of Easter, Saturday, April 19 - 8:00 p.m.***

Holy Baptism and Holy Communion;  
begins outside on Boe Plaza, weather permitting.

***Easter Sunday, April 20 - 10:30 a.m.***

Holy Communion; excerpts of Handel’s “Messiah”;  
St. Olaf Cantorei, James Bobb, conductor

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