

**Good Friday**  
**The Celebration of the Lord's Passion**



**April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2026 10:30 a.m.**

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## The Celebration of the Lord's Passion

*This morning, we enter the church in silence and maintain a prayerful quiet until the service begins.*

Please stand.

### The Ministry of the Word

**Rev. Oz:** All we like sheep have gone astray;  
we have turned every one to his own way,

**People:** and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

**Rev. Oz:** Christ the Lord became obedient unto death,

**People:** even death on a cross.

**Rev. Oz:** Almighty God,

**All:** our heavenly Father,

we have sinned

in thought and word and deed;

we have not loved you with our whole heart;

we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.

We pray you of your mercy,

forgive us all that is past,

and grant that we may serve you

in newness of life

to the glory of your name. Amen.

Please be seated.

### The Collect of the Day

**Rev. Oz:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

**Rev. Oz:** Let us pray.

Almighty God,

look graciously, we pray, on this your family,

for whom our Lord Jesus Christ

was willing to be betrayed

and given into the hands of sinners,

and to suffer death upon the cross;

who now lives and reigns with you

and the Holy Spirit,

one God, for ever and ever.

# The Proclamation of the Word

## First Reading – Isaiah 52:13 – 53:12

**Reader:** A reading from Isaiah

<sup>13</sup> Behold, My Servant will prosper,  
He will be high and lifted up and greatly exalted.

<sup>14</sup> Just as many were appalled at you, *My people*,  
So His appearance was marred beyond *that of a man*,  
And His form beyond the sons of mankind.

<sup>15</sup> So He will sprinkle many nations,  
Kings will shut their mouths on account of Him;  
For what they had not been told, they will see,  
And what they had not heard, they will understand.

**53** Who has believed our report?

And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?

<sup>2</sup> For He grew up before Him like a tender shoot,  
And like a root out of dry ground;  
He has no *stately* form or majesty  
That we would look at Him,

Nor an appearance that we would take pleasure in Him.

<sup>3</sup> He was despised and abandoned by men,  
A man of great pain and familiar with sickness;  
And like one from whom *people* hide their faces,  
He was despised, and we had no regard for Him.

<sup>4</sup> However, *it was* our sicknesses *that* He Himself bore,  
And our pains *that* He carried;  
Yet we ourselves assumed that He had been afflicted,  
Struck down by God, and humiliated.

<sup>5</sup> But He was pierced for our offenses,  
He was crushed for our wrongdoings;  
The punishment for our well-being *was laid* upon Him,  
And by His wounds we are healed.

<sup>6</sup> All of us, like sheep, have gone astray,  
Each of us has turned to his own way;  
But the LORD has caused the wrongdoing of us all  
To fall on Him.

<sup>7</sup> He was oppressed and afflicted,  
Yet He did not open His mouth;

Like a lamb that is led to slaughter,  
And like a sheep that is silent before its shearers,  
So He did not open His mouth.

<sup>8</sup> By oppression and judgment He was taken away;  
And as for His generation, who considered  
That He was cut off from the land of the living  
*For the wrongdoing of my people, to whom the blow was due?*

<sup>9</sup> And His grave was assigned with wicked men,  
Yet He was with a rich man in His death,  
Because He had done no violence,  
Nor was there any deceit in His mouth.

<sup>10</sup> But the LORD desired  
To crush Him, causing *Him* grief;  
If He renders Himself *as* a guilt offering,  
He will see *His* offspring,  
He will prolong *His* days,  
And the good pleasure of the LORD will prosper in His hand.

<sup>11</sup> As a result of the anguish of His soul,  
He will see *it and* be satisfied;  
By His knowledge the Righteous One,  
My Servant, will justify the many,  
For He will bear their wrongdoings.

<sup>12</sup> Therefore, I will allot Him a portion with the great,  
And He will divide the plunder with the strong,  
Because He poured out His life unto death,  
And was counted with wrongdoers;  
Yet He Himself bore the sin of many,  
And interceded for the wrongdoers.

**Reader:** The word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

## **Psalm 22**

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?  
and are so far from my cry and from the words of my distress?  
O my God, I cry in the daytime, but you do not answer;  
by night as well, but I find no rest.

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

Yet you are the Holy One,

enthroned upon the praises of Israel.  
Our forefathers put their trust in you;  
they trusted, and you delivered them.  
They cried out to you and were delivered;  
they trusted in you and were not put to shame.  
But as for me, I am a worm and no man,  
scorned by all and despised by the people.

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

All who see me laugh me to scorn;  
they curl their lips and wag their heads, saying,  
"He trusted in the Lord; let him deliver him;  
let him rescue him, if he delights in him."

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

Yet you are he who took me out of the womb,  
and kept me safe upon my mother's breast.  
I have been entrusted to you ever since I was born;  
you were my God when I was still in my mother's womb.

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

Be not far from me, for trouble is near,  
and there is none to help.  
Many young bulls encircle me;  
strong bulls of Bashan surround me.

They open wide their jaws at me,  
like a ravening and a roaring lion.

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

I am poured out like water; all my bones are out of joint;  
my heart within my breast is melting wax.  
My mouth is dried out like a pot-sherd; my tongue sticks to  
the roof of my mouth;  
and you have laid me in the dust of the grave.

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

Packs of dogs close me in, and gangs  
of evil-doers circle around me;  
they pierce my hands and my feet;  
I can count all my bones.  
They stare and gloat over me;  
they divide my garments among them;  
they cast lots for my clothing.

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

Be not far away, O Lord;  
you are my strength; hasten to help me.  
Save me from the sword,  
my life from the power of the dog.

Save me from the lion's mouth,  
my wretched body from the horns of wild bulls.

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

I will declare your name to my brethren;  
in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.

Praise the Lord, you that fear him;  
stand in awe of him, O offspring of Israel;  
all you of Jacob's line, give glory.

For he does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty;  
neither does he hide his face from them;  
but when they cry to him he hears them.

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

My praise is of him in the great assembly;  
I will perform my vows in the presence of  
those who worship him.

The poor shall eat and be satisfied,  
and those who seek the Lord shall praise him:  
"May your heart live for ever!"

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

All the ends of the earth shall remember  
and turn to the Lord,  
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.  
For kingship belongs to the Lord; he rules over the nations.  
To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship;  
all who go down to the dust fall before him.

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

My soul shall live for him; my descendants shall serve him;  
they shall be known as the Lord's for ever.

They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn  
the saving deeds that he has done.

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

## **Second Reading – Hebrews 4:14-16, 5:7-9**

**Reader:** A reading from Hebrews

<sup>14</sup> Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let's hold firmly to our confession. <sup>15</sup> For we do not have a high priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who has been tempted in all things just as *we are, yet* without sin. <sup>16</sup> Therefore let's approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace for help at the time of *our* need...

<sup>7</sup> In the days of His humanity, He offered up both prayers and pleas with loud crying and tears to the One able to save Him from death, and He was heard because of His devout behavior. <sup>8</sup> Although He was a Son, He learned obedience from the things which He suffered. <sup>9</sup> And having been perfected, He became the source of eternal salvation for all those who obey Him,

**Reader:** The word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

## **The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John**

*Please follow along in the booklets you received at the door.*

***Your parts are printed in bold.*** *Please leave the booklets on the table at the back so we can use them again.*

**Moment of silence.**

## **Oh, Sacred Head Now Wounded**

James Alexander/Hans Leo Hassler

O sacred Head, now wounded, with grief and shame weighed down,

Now scornfully surrounded with thorns, Thine only crown;

How pale Thou art with anguish, with sore abuse and scorn;

How does that visage languish, which once was bright as morn!

What Thou, my Lord, hast suffered, was all for sinners' gain;  
Mine, mine was the transgression, but Thine the deadly pain.

Lo, here I fall, my Savior! 'Tis I deserve Thy place;

Look on me with Thy favor, assist me with Thy grace.

What language shall I borrow to thank Thee, dearest friend,  
For this Thy dying sorrow, Thy pity without end?  
O make me Thine forever, and should I fainting be,  
Lord, let me never, never outlive my love to Thee.

## **The Sermon – The Reverend Oz Lorentzen**

**Silence is kept for a moment of reflection.**

**Please stand.**

### **The Solemn Intercession**

**Rev. Oz:** Dear people of God,  
Our heavenly Father sent his Son into the world,  
not to condemn the world,  
but that the world through him might be saved,  
that all who believe in him  
might be delivered from the power of sin and death  
and become heirs with him of eternal life.

**Please sit or kneel for prayer**

**Leader:** Let us pray for the one holy catholic  
and apostolic Church of Christ throughout the world:  
for its unity in witness and service,  
for all bishops and other ministers  
and the people whom they serve,  
for Gregory our bishop,  
and all the people of this diocese,  
for all Christians in this community,  
for those about to be baptized  
(particularly . . . ),  
that the Lord will confirm his Church in faith,  
increase it in love,  
and preserve it in peace.

*Silence*

**Rev Oz:** Almighty and everlasting God,  
by your Spirit the whole body of your faithful people  
is governed and sanctified.  
Receive our supplications and prayers  
which we offer before you  
for all members of your holy Church,

that in our vocation and ministry  
we may truly and devoutly serve you;  
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

**All: Amen.**

**Leader:** Let us pray for all nations and peoples of the earth,  
and for those in authority among them:  
for Charles our King and all the Royal Family,  
for Mark Carney the Prime Minister  
and for the government of this country,  
for Danielle Smith the premier of this province  
and the members of the legislature,  
for Linnsie Clark the mayor of this municipality  
and those who serve with her  
on the Medicine Hat council,  
for all who serve the common good,  
that by God's help  
they may seek justice and truth,  
and live in peace and concord.

*Silence*

**Rev Oz:** Almighty God,  
kindle, we pray, in every heart  
the true love of peace,  
and guide with your wisdom  
those who take counsel for the nations of the earth,  
that justice and peace may increase,  
until the earth is filled  
with the knowledge of your love;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All: Amen.**

**Leader:** Let us pray for all who suffer  
and are afflicted in body or in mind:

for the hungry and homeless,  
the destitute and the oppressed,  
and all who suffer persecution or prejudice,  
for the sick, the wounded, and the handicapped,  
for those in loneliness, fear, and anguish,  
for those who face temptation, doubt, and despair,

for the sorrowful and bereaved,  
for prisoners and captives  
and those in mortal danger,

that God in his mercy will comfort and relieve them,  
and grant them the knowledge of his love,  
and stir up in us the will and patience  
to minister to their needs.

*Silence*

**Rev Oz:** Gracious God,  
the comfort of all who sorrow,  
the strength of all who suffer,  
hear the cry of those in misery and need.  
In their afflictions show them your mercy,  
and give us, we pray, the strength to serve them,  
for the sake of him who suffered for us,  
your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All: Amen.**

**Leader:** Let us pray for all  
who have not received the gospel of Christ:

for all who have not heard the words of salvation,  
for all who have lost their faith,  
for all whose sin has made them indifferent to Christ,  
for all who actively oppose Christ by word or deed,  
for all who are enemies of the cross of Christ,  
and persecutors of his disciples,  
for all who in the name of Christ  
have persecuted others,

that God will open their hearts to the truth,  
and lead them to faith and obedience.

*Silence*

**Rev Oz:** Merciful God,  
creator of the peoples of the earth and lover of souls,  
have compassion on all who do not know you  
as you are revealed in your Son Jesus Christ.  
Let your gospel be preached with grace and power  
to those who have not heard it,

turn the hearts of those who resist it,  
and bring home to your fold those who have gone astray;  
that there may be one flock under one shepherd,  
Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All: Amen.**

**Leader:** Let us commit ourselves to God,  
and pray for the grace of a holy life,  
that with all who have departed this life  
and have died in the peace of Christ,  
and those whose faith is known to God alone,  
we may be accounted worthy  
to enter into the fullness of the joy of our Lord,  
and receive the crown of life in the day of resurrection.

*Silence*

**Rev Oz:** O God of unchangeable power and eternal light,  
look favourably on your whole Church,  
that wonderful and sacred mystery.  
By the effectual working of your providence,  
carry out in tranquillity the plan of salvation.  
Let the whole world see and know  
that things which were cast down are being raised up,  
and things which had grown old are being made new,  
and that all things are being brought to their perfection  
by him through whom all things were made,  
your Son Jesus Christ our Lord;  
who lives and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.

**All: Amen.**

## Trisagion

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,

Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

## **Meditation on the Cross of Jesus**

**Rev. Oz:** Is it nothing to you, all you who pass by?  
Look and see if there is any sorrow like my sorrow  
which was brought upon me,  
which the Lord inflicted on the day of his fierce anger.

**People: Holy God, holy and mighty,  
holy and immortal one, have mercy upon us.**

**Rev. Oz:** O my people, O my Church,  
what have I done to you,  
or in what have I offended you?  
Testify against me.  
I led you forth from the land of Egypt,  
and delivered you by the waters of baptism,  
but you have prepared a cross for your Saviour.

**People: Holy God, holy and mighty,  
holy and immortal one, have mercy upon us.**

**Rev. Oz:** I led you through the desert forty years,  
and fed you with manna.  
I brought you through tribulation and penitence,  
and gave you my body, the bread of heaven,  
but you have prepared a cross for your Saviour.

**People: Holy God, holy and mighty,  
holy and immortal one, have mercy upon us.**

**Rev. Oz:** What more could I have done for you  
that I have not done?  
I planted you, my chosen and fairest vineyard,  
I made you the branches of my vine;  
but when I was thirsty, you gave me vinegar to drink,  
and pierced with a spear the side of your Saviour.

**People: Holy God, holy and mighty,  
holy and immortal one, have mercy upon us.**

**Rev. Oz:** I went before you in a pillar of cloud,  
and you have led me to the judgement hall of Pilate.  
I scourged your enemies and brought you  
to a land of freedom,  
but you have scourged, mocked, and beaten me.

I gave you the water of salvation from the rock,  
but you have given me gall and left me to thirst.

**People: Holy God, holy and mighty,  
holy and immortal one, have mercy upon us.**

**Rev. Oz:** I gave you a royal sceptre,  
and bestowed the keys to the kingdom,  
but you have given me a crown of thorns.  
I raised you on high with great power,  
but you have hanged me on the cross.

**People: Holy God, holy and mighty,  
holy and immortal one, have mercy upon us.**

**Rev. Oz:** My peace I gave, which the world cannot give,  
and washed your feet as a sign of my love,  
but you draw the sword to strike in my name,  
and seek high places in my kingdom.  
I offered you my body and blood,  
but you scatter and deny and abandon me.

**People: Holy God, holy and mighty,  
holy and immortal one, have mercy upon us.**

**Rev. Oz:** I sent the Spirit of truth to guide you,  
and you close your hearts to the Counsellor.  
I pray that all may be as one in the Father and me,  
but you continue to quarrel and divide.  
I call you to go and bring forth fruit,  
but you cast lots for my clothing.

**People: Holy God, holy and mighty,  
holy and immortal one, have mercy upon us.**

**Rev. Oz:** I grafted you into the tree of my chosen Israel,  
and you turned on them with persecution  
and mass murder.  
I made you joint heirs with them of my covenants,  
but you made them scapegoats for your own guilt.

**People: Holy God, holy and mighty,  
holy and immortal one, have mercy upon us.**

**Rev. Oz:** I came to you as the least of your brothers and  
sisters;

I was hungry and you gave me no food,  
I was thirsty and you gave me no drink,  
I was a stranger and you did not welcome me,  
naked and you did not clothe me,  
sick and in prison and you did not visit me.

**People: Holy God, holy and mighty,  
holy and immortal one, have mercy upon us.**

**You are invited to come forward to offer prayer or praise at the cross.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

**Rev. Oz:** And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us,  
we are bold to say,

**All: 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,  
the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

### **The Holy Communion**

**Rev. Oz:** The gifts of God for the People of God.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

*In Anglican churches, everyone who is baptized is welcome to come and receive communion. You may kneel or stand at the altar rail to receive communion. If you are unable to come to the altar rail, please notify the sides people and they will alert the Communion Servers to come to you. If you would like to come forward for a blessing instead of communion, please indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest.*

*Communion is an important part of our worship. Please use this time to prayerfully prepare yourself for communion and to reflect on Jesus' gift after you have received communion. You may find singing the Communion Hymns helpful. Please refrain from talking during this time.*

## **Prayer after Communion**

**Rev. Oz:** Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God,

**All: we pray you to set your passion, cross, and death  
between your judgement and our souls,  
now and in the hour of our death.**

**Give mercy and grace to the living,  
pardon and rest to the dead,  
to your holy church peace and concord,  
and to us sinners everlasting life and glory;  
for with the Father and the Holy Spirit,  
you live and reign,  
one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

**Rev. Oz:** Send down your abundant blessing, Lord,  
Upon your people  
Who have devoutly recalled the death of your Son  
In the sure and certain hope of the resurrection.  
Grant them pardon; bring them comfort.  
May their faith grow stronger  
And their eternal salvation be assured.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

***We leave in prayerful silence today.***

*Please maintain an attitude of respectful, prayerful silence.*

*A good 'Good Friday' exercise is to walk through the  
Stations of the Cross at St. Joseph's Covenant Home.*



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2 Corinthians 5:19

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