



THE SOLEMN LITURGY OF GOOD FRIDAY

April 15, 2022: 12:00 p.m.

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

The procession will enter in silence. Please kneel as you are able for silent prayer.

The Opening Acclamation

Please remain kneeling as you are able.

Presider Blessed be our God.

People For ever and ever. Amen

The Collect of the Day

Please remain kneeling as you are able.

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

Almighty God, we pray you graciously to behold 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.

All Amen.

The First Lesson

Isaiah 52:13-53:12

NRSV

Please sit.

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

See, my servant shall prosper; he shall be exalted and lifted up, and shall be very high. Just as there were many who were astonished at him- so marred was his appearance, beyond human semblance, and his form beyond that of mortals- so he shall startle many nations; kings shall shut their mouths because of him; for that which had not been told them they shall see, and that which they had not heard they shall contemplate. Who has believed what we have heard? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed? For he grew up before him like a young plant, and like a root out of dry ground; he had no form or majesty that we should look at him, nothing in his appearance that we should desire him. He was despised and rejected by others; a man of suffering and acquainted with infirmity; and as one from whom others hide their faces he was despised, and we held him of no account. Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. By a perversion of justice he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future? For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people. They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth. Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him with pain. When you make his life an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the LORD shall prosper. Out of his anguish he shall see light; he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge. The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out himself to death, and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Response

Psalms 22:1-21

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Please remain seated and join in reading the Psalm in unison.

The Epistle

Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9

NRSV

Please remain seated.

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
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The Passion Gospel

John 19:1-42

CEB

Please stand as you are able.

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

The congregation will be seated for the first part of the Passion Gospel. Please stand as you are able where indicated.

Then Pilate had Jesus taken and whipped. The soldiers twisted together a crown of thorns and put it on his head, and dressed him in a purple robe. Over and over they went up to him and said, "Greetings, king of the Jews!" And they slapped him in the face. Pilate came out of the palace again and said to the Jewish leaders, "Look! I'm bringing him out to you to let you know that I find no grounds for a charge against him." When Jesus came out, wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe, Pilate said to them, "Here's the man." When the chief priests and their deputies saw him, they shouted out, "Crucify, crucify!" Pilate told them, "You take him and crucify him. I don't find any grounds for a charge against him." The Jewish leaders replied, "We have a Law, and according to this Law he ought to die because he made himself out to be God's Son." When Pilate heard this word, he was even more afraid. He went back into the residence and spoke to Jesus, "Where are you from?" Jesus didn't answer. So Pilate said, "You won't speak to me? Don't you know that I have authority to release you and also to crucify you?" Jesus replied, "You would have no authority over me if it had not been given to you from above. That's why the one who handed me over to you has the greater sin." From that moment on, Pilate wanted to release Jesus. However, the Jewish leaders cried out, saying, "If you release this man, you aren't a friend of the emperor! Anyone who makes himself out to be a king opposes the emperor!" When Pilate heard these words, he led Jesus out and seated him on the judge's bench at the place called Stone Pavement (in Aramaic, *Gabbatha*). It was about noon on the Preparation Day for the Passover. Pilate said to the Jewish leaders, "Here's your king." The Jewish leaders cried out, "Take him away! Take him away! Crucify him!" Pilate responded, "What? Do you want me to crucify your king?" "We have no king except the emperor," the chief priests answered. Then Pilate handed Jesus over to be crucified. The soldiers took Jesus prisoner. Carrying his cross by himself, he went out to a place called Skull Place (in Aramaic, *Golgotha*).

Please stand as you are able.

That's where they crucified him – and two others with him, one on each side and Jesus in the middle. Pilate had a public notice written and posted on the cross. It read "Jesus the Nazarene, the king of the Jews." Many of the Jews read this sign, for the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city and it was written in Aramaic, Latin, and Greek. Therefore, the Jewish chief priests complained to Pilate, "Don't write, 'The king of the Jews' but 'This man said, "I am the king of the Jews." ' " Pilate answered, "What I've written, I've written." When the soldiers crucified Jesus, they took his clothes and his sandals, and divided them into four shares, one for each soldier. His shirt was seamless, woven as one piece from the top to the bottom. They said to each other, "Let's not tear it. Let's cast lots to see who will get it." This was to fulfill the scripture. *They divided my clothes among themselves and they cast lots for my clothing.* That's what the soldiers did. Jesus' mother and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene stood near the cross. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to his mother, "Woman, here is your son." Then he said to the disciple, "Here is your mother." And from that time on, this disciple took her into his home. After this, knowing that everything was already

completed, in order to fulfill the scripture, Jesus said, "I am thirsty." A jar full of sour wine was nearby, so the soldiers soaked a sponge in it, placed it on a hyssop branch, and held it up to his lips. When he had received the sour wine, Jesus said, "It is completed." Bowing his head, he gave up his life.

A moment of silence is observed.

It was the Preparation Day and the Jewish leaders didn't want the bodies to remain on the cross on the Sabbath, especially since that Sabbath was an important day. So they asked Pilate to have the legs of those crucified broken and the bodies taken down. Therefore, the soldiers came and broke the legs of the two men who were crucified with Jesus. When they came to Jesus, they saw that he was already dead so they didn't break his legs. However, one of the soldiers pierced his side with a spear, and immediately blood and water came out. The one who saw this has testified, and his testimony is true. He knows that he speaks the truth, and he has testified so that you also can believe. These things happened to fulfill the scripture, "They won't break any of his bones." And another scripture says, "They will look at him whom they have pierced." After this Joseph of Arimathea asked Pilate if he could take away the body of Jesus. Joseph was a disciple of Jesus, but a secret one because he feared the Jewish authorities. Pilate gave him permission, so he came and took the body away. Nicodemus, the one who at first had come to Jesus at night, was there too. He brought a mixture of myrrh and aloe, nearly seventy-five pounds in all. Following Jewish burial customs, they took Jesus' body and wrapped it, with the spices, in linen cloths. There was a garden in the place where Jesus was crucified, and in the garden was a new tomb in which no one had ever been laid. Because it was the Jewish Preparation Day and the tomb was nearby, they laid Jesus in it.

The Sermon

Denise Bennett

Please sit.

Solemn Collects

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Please stand or kneel as you are able. There will be time for silent prayer between each collect.

Anthems

BCP, p. 281

Please kneel as you are able. The Congregation reads the parts in italics.

The Lord's Prayer

BCP, p. 364

Please remain kneeling as you are able.

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

Concluding Prayer

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Please remain kneeling as you are able for the silent procession. Afterwards, you may depart in silence or stay for private prayer and meditation.

Presider & Preacher: The Rev. Denise Bennett
Reader: John Ambrose

Deacon: The Rev. Deacon Barbara Ambrose
Intercessor: Britton Trimble



Holy Week & Easter at St. Andrew's:

Good Friday, April 15

- **Good Friday Liturgy:** 7:00 p.m., church and on Facebook Live

Holy Saturday, April 16

- **Easter Vigil:** 7:00 p.m., begins in the church parking lot, then in the church and on Facebook Live

Easter Sunday, April 17

- **Easter Rejoicing Service with Pine St. Baptist:** 8:30 a.m., mausoleum area overlooking the river in Hollywood Cemetery
- **Easter Breakfast:** 9:30 a.m., St. Andrew's House
- **Easter Egg Hunt:** 10:00 a.m., behind St. Andrew's House (bring a basket)
- **Holy Eucharist Rite II:** 11:00 a.m., church and on Facebook Live
- **Godly Play:** 11:00 a.m., undercroft

News and Upcoming Events:

- **Good Friday Offering:** This year marks the 100th anniversary of the annual Good Friday Offering to benefit the Episcopal Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East. You may make a gift anytime during Holy Week. Please make your check to St. Andrew's, and clearly mark it for "Good Friday Offering."
- **Easter Vigil Noisemakers:** The congregation is invited to bring noisemakers, like bells and tambourines, to celebrate the Risen Lord and the first Alleluias of the season.
- **Easter Breakfast:** Please join us at 9:30 a.m. in St. Andrew's House for the return of our beloved Easter breakfast!
- **Easter Egg Hunt:** Join us at 10:00 a.m. on Easter Sunday, April 17, behind St. Andrew's House for the return of our Easter Egg Hunt! Please bring a basket for each child who will be gathering eggs.
- **Please bring fresh flowers** for the flowering of the cross on Easter Sunday!
- **Godly Play on Easter Sunday:** Children ages 3-10 are invited to gather in the undercroft on Easter Sunday, April 17, at 11:00 a.m. for Godly Play. Drop off begins at 10:50 a.m., and children will be brought back into the church at the Peace so they can join their families for Holy Communion.
- **Easter Offering:** You are invited to make a special Easter offering for the mission and ministry of St. Andrew's, in gratitude for the gift of God's presence and this community in our lives. Gifts may be made in honor or in memory of loved ones. Envelopes for your offering are available in the narthex.