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FRIDAY
SERVICE

April 3, 2026

7:00PM

ORDER OF WORSHIP



CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 50:1-6

The Mighty One, God the LORD, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting. Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God shines forth. Our God comes; he does not keep silence; before him is a devouring fire, around him a mighty tempest. He calls to the heavens above and to the earth, that he may judge his people: "Gather to me my faithful ones, who made a covenant with me by sacrifice!" The heavens declare his righteousness, for God himself is judge!

HYMN OF PRAISE

"O Jehovah, Hear My Words" (Psalm 5)

#51

**O Jehovah, hear my words,
to my thoughts attentive be;
hear my cry, my King, my God,
I will make my prayer to thee.
With the morning light, O Lord,
thou shalt hear my voice arise,
and expectant I will bring
prayer as morning sacrifice.**

**Thou, Jehovah, art a God
who delightest not in sin;
evil shall not dwell with thee,
nor the proud thy favor win.**

**Evil-doers thou dost hate,
lying tongues thou wilt defeat;
God abhors the man who loves
violence and base deceit.**

**In the fulness of thy grace
to thy house I will repair;
bowing toward thy holy place,
in thy fear to worship there.
Lead me in thy righteousness,
let my foes assail in vain;
lest my feet be turned aside,
make thy way before me plain.**

**False and faithless are my foes,
in their mouth no truth is found;
deadly are the words they speak,
all their thoughts with sin abound.
Bring, O God, their plans to naught,
hold them guilty in thy sight,
for against thee and thy law
they have set themselves to fight.**

**O let all that trust thy care
ever glad and joyful be;
let them joy who love thy name,
safely guarded, Lord, by thee.
For a blessing from thy store
to the righteous thou wilt yield;
thou wilt compass him about
with thy favor as a shield.**

Words from Psalm 5; *The Psalter* (1912).

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CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

Acts 3:18-23

“But what God foretold by the mouth of all the prophets, that His Christ would suffer, He thus fulfilled. Repent therefore, and turn back, that your sins may be blotted out, that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, and that He may send the Christ appointed for you, Jesus, whom heaven must receive until the time for restoring all the things about which God spoke by the mouth of His holy prophets long ago. Moses said, “The Lord God will raise up for you a prophet like me from your brothers. You shall listen to him in whatever he tells you. And it shall be that every soul who does not listen to that prophet shall be destroyed from the people.”

Ancient of Days, our God and our Father, you sent your Son to speak to us in these last days about the reality of our sin, our need to repent of that sin, and the hope that we have in Him of your mercy, grace, and forgiveness. Let us not be those who hear the prophetic Word and do not listen, who do not do what He has commanded us to do. Forgive our sins of omission and commission, blot them out and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Refresh our souls in Christ our Savior. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

IN THESE MOMENTS, WE SILENTLY CONFESS OUR PERSONAL SINS
TO GOD SO THAT WE MAY TAKE HOLD OF THE FORGIVENESS
WON FOR US BY CHRIST, OUR REDEEMER.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Romans 8:1-2

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death.

SCRIPTURE READING

Judges 16:23–31

²³ Now the lords of the Philistines gathered to offer a great sacrifice to Dagon their god and to rejoice, and they said, “Our god has given Samson our enemy into our hand.” ²⁴ And when the people saw him, they praised their god. For they said, “Our god has given our enemy into our hand, the ravager of our country, who has killed many of us.” ²⁵ And when their hearts were merry, they said, “Call Samson, that he may entertain us.” So they called Samson out of the prison, and he entertained them. They made him stand between the pillars. ²⁶ And Samson said to the young man who held him by the hand, “Let me feel the pillars on which the house rests, that I may lean against them.” ²⁷ Now the house was full of men and women. All the lords of the Philistines were there, and on the roof there were about 3,000 men and women, who looked on while Samson entertained.

²⁸ Then Samson called to the LORD and said, “O LORD GOD, please remember me and please strengthen me only this once, O God, that I may be avenged on the Philistines for my two eyes.” ²⁹ And Samson grasped the two middle pillars on which the house rested, and he leaned his weight against them, his right hand on the one and his left hand on the other. ³⁰ And Samson said, “Let me die with the Philistines.” Then he bowed with all his strength, and the house fell upon the lords and upon all the people who were in it. So the dead whom he killed at his death were more than those whom he had killed during his life.

³¹ Then his brothers and all his family came down and took him and brought him up and buried him between Zorah and Eshtaol in the tomb of Manoah his father. He had judged Israel twenty years.

SERMON

"The Hero Who Died for His People"

SONG OF RESPONSE

"O Sacred Head, Now Wounded"

#247

**O sacred Head, now wounded,
with grief and shame weighed down;
now scornfully surrounded
with thorns, thine only crown;
O sacred Head, what glory,
what bliss till now was thine!
Yet, though despised and gory,
I joy to call thee mine.**

**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,
vouchsafe to me 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.**

Words by Bernard of Clairvaux (1091-1153)

Translated by Paul Gerhardt (1656); James W. Alexander (1830).

Music by Hans Leo Hassler (1601); arranged by Johann Sebastian Bach (1729)

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THE LORD'S SUPPER

PLEASE **HOLD** ELEMENTS UNTIL **ALL** ARE SERVED.

WHITE GRAPE JUICE IS IN THE TRAYS.

GLUTEN-FREE BREAD IS AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST.

MINISTER: Lift up your hearts.

PEOPLE: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

OFFERING

Tonight's offering is designated for
SACRED ROAD MINISTRIES.

"Doxology"

#733

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
alleluia, alleluia!
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost;
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

CLOSING HYMN

"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

#253

**When I survey the wondrous cross
on which the Prince of glory died,
my richest gain I count but loss,
and pour contempt on all my pride.
Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
save in the death of Christ my God:
all the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his blood.
See, from his head, his hands, his feet,
sorrow and love flow mingled down:
did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
or thorns compose so rich a crown?**

**Were the whole realm of nature mine,
that were a present far too small;
love so amazing, so divine,
demands my soul, my life, my all.**

Words by Isaac Watts (1707, 1709).

Gregorian chant, arr. by Lowell Mason (1824).

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BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24–26

The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.



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