

From the Heidelburg Catechism:

- Q. 40. Why was it necessary for Christ to humble himself even unto death?A. Because with respect to the justice and truth of God, satisfaction for our sins could be made no otherwise than by the death of the Son of God.
- *Q. 43. What further benefit do we receive from the sacrifice and death of Christ on the cross?*

A. That by virtue thereof our old man is crucified, dead and buried with Him; that so the corrupt inclinations of the flesh may no more reign in us, but that we may offer ourselves unto Him a sacrifice of thanksgiving.

From the Westminster Shorter Catechism:

Q. 25. How does Christ execute the office of a priest?

A. Christ executes the office of a priest, in his once offering up of himself a sacrifice to satisfy divine justice, and reconcile us to God; and in making continual intercession for us.

Q. 27. Wherein did Christ's humiliation consist?

A. Christ's humiliation consisted in his being born, and that in a low condition, made under the law, undergoing the miseries of this life, the wrath of God, and the cursed death of the cross; in being buried, and continuing under the power of death for a time.

The Order for the Public Worship of God

Good Friday, April 18, 2025 6:00 p.m.



Preparation for Worship

Prelude

God Calls His People to Worship

*Call to Worship Isaiah 40:3–5
A voice cries: "In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD;
make straight in the desert a highway for our God.
Every valley shall be lifted up,
and every mountain and hill be made low;
the uneven ground shall become level,
and the rough places a plain.
And the glory of the LORD shall be revealed,
and all flesh shall see it together,
for the mouth of the LORD has spoken."
*Hymn of Christ's Suffering

Ah, Holy Jesus, How Hast Thou Offended



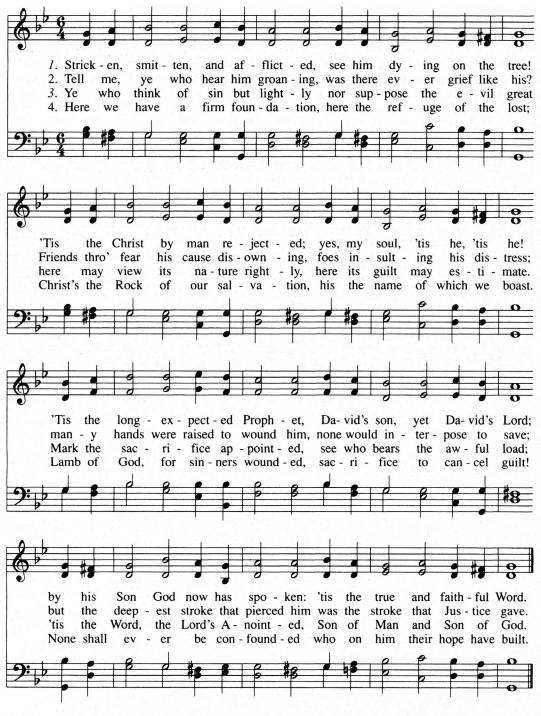
Johann Heermann, 1630 Tr. in *Yattendon Hymnal*, 1899 HERZLIEBSTER JESU 11.11.11.5. Johann Crüger, 1640

*Prayer of Invocation

God Takes His People to the Cross

Scripture Lesson		
Good Friday Meditation Rev. Matthew Bradley		
Pierced		
Pastoral Prayer		
Confession of Sin		
O LORD rebuke us not in your anger, nor discipline us in your wrath. Be gracious to us, O LORD, for we are languishing; heal us, O LORD, for our bones are troubled. Our souls are also greatly troubled. But you, O LORD—how long? Turn, O LORD, deliver our lives; save us for the sake of your steadfast love. For in death there is no remembrance of you; in Sheol who will give you praise? <i>Amen.</i>		
Meditation		
Here we pause in silence to confess our sins and meditate upon the forgiveness that is ours in Christ.		
Assurance of Pardon Luke 24:46–47		
Jesus said to his disciples, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that repentance for the forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem.		
*Hymn of Christ's Suffering Trinity Hymnal, 257		

Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted



Thomas Kelly, 1804 Alt. 1961 O MEIN JESU, ICH MUSS STERBEN 8.7.8.7.D. Geistliche Volkslieder, Paderborn, 1850 *Prayer of Thanksgiving

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

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?

Depart in Silence



Scripture Lesson

¹ My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

Why are you so far from saving me, from the words of my groaning?

² O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer,

and by night, but I find no rest.

- ³ Yet you are holy, enthroned on the praises of Israel.
- ⁴ In you our fathers trusted; they trusted, and you delivered them.
- ⁵ To you they cried and were rescued; in you they trusted and were not put to shame.
- ⁶ But I am a worm and not a man, scorned by mankind and despised by the people.
- ⁷ All who see me mock me; they make mouths at me; they wag their heads;

⁸ "He trusts in the LORD; let him deliver him;

let him rescue him, for he delights in him!"

⁹ Yet you are he who took me from the womb;

you made me trust you at my mother's breasts.

¹⁰ On you was I cast from my birth, and from my mother's womb you have been my God.

¹¹ Be not far from me, for trouble is near, and there is none to help.

- ¹² Many bulls encompass me; strong bulls of Bashan surround me;
- ¹³ they open wide their mouths at me, like a ravening and roaring lion.

¹⁴ I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint; my heart is like wax;

it is melted within my breast;

¹⁵ my strength is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue sticks to my jaws; you lay me in the dust of death.

¹⁶ For dogs encompass me;

a company of evildoers encircles me; they have pierced my hands and feet— ¹⁷ I can count all my bones—

they stare and gloat over me;

¹⁸ they divide my garments among them, and for my clothing they cast lots.

¹⁹ But you, O LORD, do not be far off! O you my help, come quickly to my aid!

²⁰ Deliver my soul from the sword, my precious life from the power of the dog!

²¹ Save me from the mouth of the lion! You have rescued me from the horns of the wild oxen!

²² I will tell of your name to my brothers; in the midst of the congregation I will praise you:

²³ You who fear the LORD, praise him! All you offspring of Jacob, glorify him, and stand in awe of him, all you off spring of Israel!

²⁴ For he has not despised or abhorred the affliction of the afflicted,

and he has not hidden his face from him, but has heard, when he cried to him. ²⁵ From you comes my praise in the great congregation;

my vows I will perform before those who fear him.

²⁶ The afflicted shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek him shall praise the LORD! May your hearts live forever!

²⁷ All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD,

and all the families of the nations shall worship before you.

²⁸ For kingship belongs to the LORD, and he rules over the nations.

²⁹ All the prosperous of the earth eat and worship;

before him shall bow all who go down to the dust,

even the one who could not keep himself alive.

³⁰ Posterity shall serve him; it shall be told of the Lord to the coming generation;

³¹ they shall come and proclaim his righteousness to a people yet unborn,

that he has done it.

Psalm 22:1-31, ESV

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