

Please remember to tune in on Facebook Live to see Pastor conduct the services below at 7:00 pm on Friday for the Good Friday Liturgy and 10:30 am on Sunday for the Easter Liturgy. Our updated prayer list is at the end of this email.

GOOD FRIDAY LITURGY

Introduction

Life and death stand side by side as we enter into Good Friday. In John's passion account, Jesus reveals the power and glory of God, even as he is put on trial and sentenced to death. Standing with the disciples at the foot of the cross, we pray for the whole world, as Christ's death offers life to all. We gather in solemn devotion, but always with the promise that the tree around which we assemble is indeed a tree of life.

Liturgy

P: Come, people of God, to know again who you are. Return to the One who gives you life.

C: We come as children of God, longing for a closer walk with our Creator.

P: Come to see and know the unique Child of God, who lived among us and died on our behalf.

C: Christ gave life itself to be a servant of all, but people despised and rejected the gift.

P: Christ was wounded for our transgressions and bruised for our iniquities.

C: We believe Christ has borne our sins for us and has sought and won our forgiveness.

P: Let us draw near with true hearts, in full assurance that our faith has meaning.

C: Let us consider how to stir up one another to live God's love and do good to all people.

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, look with loving mercy on your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, to be given over to the hands of sinners, and to suffer death on the cross; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

Amen.

Gospel- John 18:1-19:42

This is a long lesson but a worthwhile read.

We will focus on the Seven Last Words of Christ from the Cross.

Seven last words of Jesus

Please look up these verses in your Bible as we meditate on them.

1. Luke 23:33-34: Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.
2. Luke 23:39-43: Verily, I say unto you, today thou shalt be with me in paradise.
3. John 19:25-27: Woman, behold thy son. (Says to disciple) Behold thy mother.
4. Mark 15:33-34: My God, My God, why have you forsaken me?
5. John 19:28: I thirst.
6. John 19:29-30: It is finished.
7. Luke 23:46: Father, into thy hands I commit my spirit.

Traditionally, these seven sayings are called words of 1. Forgiveness, 2. Salvation, 3. Relationship, 4. Abandonment, 5. Distress, 6. Triumph and 7. Reunion.

Sermon

'The peace of the Lord be with you all'

Prayers of intercession

Lord's Prayer

Benediction

Something to think about as we contemplate all that is going on around us.

It's Friday

And as modern-day Christians we have both crucified and been crucified. We have borne the burden of the cross and been the burden of the cross. We have been Jesus and Herod, Judas and John, Pilate, Mary, Peter, and all the characters who are a part of today's drama.

Fridays' here...But Sunday's coming (pause and reflect)

It's Friday

The earth's resources and beauty are threatened by tragic, bitter, and ruthless depletion, misuse and loss. Peace is threatened by arsenals of violence and mass destruction. Relationships are broken. Justice is threatened by goals of profit, and an idol called money.

Friday's here...But Sunday's coming (pause and reflect)

It's Friday

In the shadow of the cross we cower. Under the descending shroud of darkness we despair. We tremble with anxiety waiting for the unknown. How do we accept the grace of God from the cross? Our words turn to dust in our throats.

Friday's here...But Sunday's coming (pause and reflect)

It's Friday

We remember our own crucifixions by others. We remember that we have forgotten to forgive others as Christ has forgiven us. There have been times, like now, when are sheltered in our homes, that we have wonder if God has forsaken us.

Friday's here...But Sunday's coming (pause and reflect)

It's Friday

Confusion blinds weary eyes and sears into memory; abandonment and desolation crisscross life and pushes us toward death. Problems are perplexing, shadowing life with the sign of the cross, confounding all reason- producing life from death

Friday's here...But Sunday's coming (pause and reflect)

It's Friday

A day of darkness and light; a day of evil and justice; a death and rebirth; a day called "Good" for all of our days

Yes, Friday's here...BUT SUNDAY'S COMING (pause and reflect)

EASTER LITURGY

Introduction

This is the day the Lord has made! Christ is risen, and through him all creation is made new! Indeed, "God shows no partiality" (Acts 10:34): Christ's resurrection truly brings life to everyone. We proclaim God's faithfulness, power, and love. With the women at the tomb, we are astonished, elated, and grateful. We depart with joy to proclaim the good news of God's endless love.

Thanksgiving for Baptism

As you make the sign of the cross

All say together- In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

L: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

L: Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are raised with him to new life.

Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning you created us in your image and planted us in a well-watered garden. In the desert you promised pools of water for the parched, and you gave us water from the rock.

When we did not know the way, you sent the Good Shepherd to lead us to still waters.

At the cross, you watered us from Jesus' wounded side, and on this day, you shower us again with the water of life.

We praise you for your salvation through water, and for all water everywhere.

Bathe us in your forgiveness, grace, and love.

Satisfy the thirsty and give us the life only you can give.

To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

Liturgy

P: This day is God's own creation

C: We will rejoice and be glad in it

P: Jesus Christ has broken the bonds of death

C: We are witnesses to amazing good news

P: Turn from your weeping and mourning. Put aside the ways of death.

C: We are being raised with Christ to a new quality of life.

P: The surprises of the resurrection continue into our own day

C: The Risen Christ meets us here, bringing us new life and hope.

P: Christ is risen

C: He is risen indeed

Prayer of the Day

L: O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Gospel- [Matthew 28:1-10](#)

Sermon

"The peace of the Lord be with you all"

Prayers of Intercession

Lord's Prayer

Benediction

For your reference, the following is the prayer list that we would have in your Sunday Bulletins. Please email Karen at parishadminlol@bellsouth.net to let us know who to add or take off next week. We will be sending these out each Wed.

REMINDERS

- * - **indicates members**
- ***bold Italics*** - **new additions this week**

Prayers for Healing

*Joanne Collins
*Scott Crews
*Jiyoung Daniel
Christine Klipstein
David McLain
*Carolyn Mink
*Blake Nations
* Emily O'Donnell
*Lance Pearch
*Sonja Roberts
*Sally Thacker-Fox

All Cancer Patients

Virginia Atkins – sister of Sam Williams

Jim Armstrong – friend of Beall's
Judy Armstrong – friend of Beall's
Dan Barkhauser – friend of Lord of Life
Dan Bisco – brother-in-law of Joan Bell
Shirley Brooks – cousin of Jeannette Jonaitis
Cole Coker – friend of Julia Read
Paige Coker – friend of Julia Read
Carlton Crews – father of Scott Crews
Joyce Danz – sister of Linda Shoemaker
Greg Dunn – friend of Chuck Jonaitis
Misty Fruitrell – friend of Veta Welch
Rick Gay – friend of Jeannette Jonaitis
Zan Gibbs – cousin of Jeney Wason
Pam Gillett – friend of Jonaitis'
Steve Griggs – friend of Blake Nations
Marc Hardy – friend of Jonaitis'
Barbara Haywood – friend of Jeannette Jonaitis
Roxanne Hernandez – friend of Chuck Jonaitis
Amanda Holland – friend of Jamie Young
Jean Housel – grandmother of Jeney Wason
Nicole Hutnick – niece of Joanne & Jim Collins
Chuck Jonaitis – father of Chuck Jonaitis
Eileen Jonaitis – sister of Chuck Jonaitis
Owen Klemme – child of friend of Penny Crews
Crystal Laskowski – friend of Mary Merkling
Ashley Lowery – friend of Joanne & Jim Collins
Marsha Mantooth – sister of Bridgette Dieringer Nations
Carol Mathiesen – sister of Linda Beall
Amy McCollum – friend of Jonaitis'
Jim McNamara – father-in-law of Shannon McNamara
Savannah Mitchell – daughter of friend of Bertolani family
Mother of Pastor Nick – friend of Thalacker's
Chris Payne – friend of Marv Ennis
Melvin Rhodes – family friend of Mary Deel
Scout Schulz and family – friends of John & Veta Welch

Marilyn Signor – mother of Heather Hipp
Debbie Smith – cousin of Joanne Collins
Tamara Sumption – friend of Mary Merkling
Debbie Sutherland – cousin of Jeney Wason
Michael Udell – brother-in-law of Thalacker's
Craig Walters – nephew of Joanne & Jim Collins
Denise Wheeler – friend of Heather Hipp
Kelly Williams – friend of Carol Lucas
Angel Wooden – friend of Jeannette Jonaitis
Michael Woods – friend of Jamie Young
Steve Zegalski – father of friend of Amy Hill

Prayers for those serving our country

Noah Alonso – US Army National Guard
Emma Briggs – US Army National Guard
Mark Henriott, Jr. – US Army National Guard
Jake Housel – US Army National Guard
Roger Housel – US Army National Guard
Kari Nolan – US Air Force
Daniel Roberts – US Army

Prayers for those awaiting birth

Jacob & Ellycia Jaegle – nephew & niece of Carol Lucas
*Derin & Stephanie Dibert

James (former member) & Hannah Richards

Prayers for our First Responders

*Paul Sparwath
*Mike Young

Prayers for those preparing for Marriage

*Addison Crews & Stephanie Leighton

Other Prayer Needs

Those affected by Coronavirus

****Robert Read – loss of job***

****Wally Rice – job furlough***

*Nick Schwalje – job search

All our teachers