

Good Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2020

### Opening Prayer

Almighty God,  
to whom all hearts are open,  
all desires known,  
and from whom no secrets are hidden:  
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love you,  
and worthily magnify your holy name,  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Song:** *How Deep The Father's Love For Us*

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tzQj7XvKFmA&list=RDtzQj7XvKFmA&start\\_radio=1](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tzQj7XvKFmA&list=RDtzQj7XvKFmA&start_radio=1)

**Family Spot:** *Matt Bailey's Kitchen* [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-z0K7\\_YG784](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-z0K7_YG784)

**Family Song:** *He Died Upon The Cross* <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iT2bHj7n2sc>

**Psalm 69:13-28** But as for me, my prayer is to you, O LORD. At an acceptable time, O God, in the abundance of your steadfast love answer me in your saving faithfulness. <sup>14</sup> Deliver me from sinking in the mire; let me be delivered from my enemies and from the deep waters. <sup>15</sup> Let not the flood sweep over me, or the deep swallow me up, or the pit close its mouth over me. <sup>16</sup> Answer me, O LORD, for your steadfast love is good; according to your abundant mercy, turn to me. <sup>17</sup> Hide not your face from your servant; for I am in distress; make haste to answer me. <sup>18</sup> Draw near to my soul, redeem me; ransom me because of my enemies! <sup>19</sup> You know my reproach, and my shame and my dishonor; my foes are all known to you. <sup>20</sup> Reproaches have broken my heart, so that I am in despair. I looked for pity, but there was none, and for comforters, but I found none. <sup>21</sup> They gave me poison for food, and for my thirst they gave me sour wine to drink. <sup>22</sup> Let their own table before them become a snare; and when they are at peace, let it become a trap. <sup>23</sup> Let their eyes be darkened, so that they cannot see, and make their loins tremble continually. <sup>24</sup> Pour out your indignation upon them, and let your burning anger overtake them. <sup>25</sup> May their camp be a desolation; let no one dwell in their tents. <sup>26</sup> For they persecute him whom you have struck down, and they recount the pain of those you have wounded. <sup>27</sup> Add to them punishment upon punishment; may they have no acquittal from you. <sup>28</sup> Let them be blotted out of the book of the living; let them not be enrolled among the righteous.

**Reading:** *John 19:16-37* by Kylie Polkinghorne

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HOvS4FPNAYk>

**John 19:28-35** After this, Jesus, knowing that all was now finished, said ( to fulfill the Scripture), "I thirst." <sup>29</sup> A jar full of sour wine stood there, so they put a sponge full of the sour wine on a hyssop branch and held it to his mouth. <sup>30</sup> When Jesus had received the sour wine, he said, "It is finished," and he bowed his head and gave up his spirit. <sup>31</sup> Since it was the day of Preparation, and so that the bodies would not remain on the cross on the Sabbath (for that Sabbath was a high day), the Jews asked Pilate that their legs might be broken and that they might be taken away. <sup>32</sup> So the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first, and of the other who had been crucified with him. <sup>33</sup> But when they came to Jesus and saw that he was already dead, they did not break his legs. <sup>34</sup> But one of the soldiers pierced his side with a spear, and at once there came out blood and water. <sup>35</sup> He who saw it has borne witness- his testimony is true, and he knows that he is telling the truth- that you also may believe.

**Bible Spot:** *Good Friday Message* <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aVc5K9b5Ob0>

### **Confession**

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
maker of all things, judge of all people,  
we acknowledge with shame the sins we have committed,  
by thought, word and deed, against your divine majesty,  
provoking most justly your wrath and indignation against us.  
We earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for all our misdoings.  
Have mercy on us, most merciful Father.  
For your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake  
forgive us all that is past,  
and grant that from this time forward  
we may serve and please you in newness of life,  
to the honour and glory of your name,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Optional Meal of Remembrance** The Passover Lamb  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZobliY6usfl>

**Prayer:** Merciful Lord, grant to your faithful people pardon and peace, that we may be cleansed from all our sins, and serve you with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Prayers** with Kylie Polkinghorne <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=en1zLsILpIM>

**Lord's Prayer:** Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

**Song:** *And Can It Be?* <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uzDes9IVdzq>

*To him who loves us, and has freed us from our sins by his blood, and has made us to be a kingdom and priests to serve his God and Father, to him be the glory for ever and ever! Amen.*

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**For later:** Listen to Timothy Keller's talk *Easter in a Year of Death*:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zRhQJT9PsMo>. Keller recorded this talk, during Holy Week, from New York City, where the COVID-19 Pandemic has so far resulted in over 4000 deaths.