



The
LAST WORDS
OF CHRIST



March 27, 2022
4th Sunday in Lent

Contemporary Service - 9:30 am

Scripture for Meditation

“The time has come; the Kingdom of God is near.
Repent and believe the Good News.” (Mark 1:15)

Welcome

Call to Worship

Leader: The day of the Lord is coming! The day of the Lord is near!

People: The time is fulfilled! The reign of God is at hand!

Leader: O people, repent! Believe in the gospel!

People: Come, let us turn and follow the Lord!

Praise and Prayer

Raise a Hallelujah

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Prayer of Confession

Goodness of God

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Scripture Reading

Mark 15:33-39

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God!

Song of Reflection

I Am Not Alone

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Sermon

The Fourth Word

“My God, My God, Why Have You Forsaken Me?”
4th in a Lenten Series on the Last Words of Christ

Personal Testimony

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Response

The Blessing

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Blessing

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Welcome & Prayers of the People
Sermon
Worship Leader/Liturgy
Scripture Readers
Personal Testimony
Worship Band Members

Greg Buell, Associate Pastor
Chuck Guth, Minister for Discipleship & Congregational Care
Luke Stoner, Pastoral Intern
Sherry Maloney (9:30); Cathy Burnham (11:00)
Dick Mulhall
Luke Stoner (acoustic guitar); Christine Cheung (synthesizer)
Michael Brennan (drums)
Renate Graham, Matt Parks, Deb Valkenaar (vocals)
Sharon Peterson (11:00)
Village Church Choir (11:00)
Damon Cole (11:00)

Organist
Anthem
Soloist

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Response

Glory Be to the Father

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Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be
World without end. Amen, Amen.

Anthem

Teach Me, O Lord

(Philip W.J. Stopford)

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Music for Reflection My Soul's Been Anchored in the Lord

(Spiritual arr. Price)

Doxology

Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him, above ye heavenly hosts;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Closing Hymn

When Peace Like a River

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Benediction

Postlude

Ah, Holy Jesus

(Ernst Pepping)

Reflection Questions

Text: Mark 15:33-39

³³ When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. ³⁴ At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?" which means, "**My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?**"³⁵ When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, "Listen, he is calling for Elijah." ³⁶ And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down." ³⁷ Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last. ³⁸ And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. ³⁹ Now when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he³⁹ breathed his last, he said, "Truly this man was God's Son!"

Last Word #1: "**Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.**"

Last Word #2: "**Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.**"

Last Word #3: "**Woman, here is your son.**" "**Here is your mother.**"

Last Word #4: "**My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?**"

This series, more than others, focuses our attention of the depths of God's love demonstrated on the cross. As you read the text individually or in a small group, reflect upon the following questions?

1. Answer one of these questions.
 - a. Write down or share what is on your mind this week before you read or listen to the scripture.
 - b. If you were in worship on Sunday, to what degree were you fully present in worship - not distracted by outside influences?
2. When I read or heard this text, what are a few things I noticed about the circumstances surrounding Christ's word from this portion of scripture? A study Bible is useful.
3. If you had a chance to listen to the message or if you only read the text, what seemed to either inspire, comfort, challenge, or even irritate you about the message or text?
4. When I hear these last words of Jesus, what might the Holy Spirit be asking of me in response to what Jesus said in the text?

Prayer:

Spend a few minutes in prayer lifting to God what the Spirit has revealed to you and asking for direction in how to take the next step of faith in your discipleship. To help you get started, open your prayer by saying the following.

Gracious God...

In Jesus Name, Amen.