

Faith Lutheran Church
Dodge Center, MN



Friday, April 10, 2009
6:30 PM

We gather in silence as our worship continues from Maundy Thursday.

Opening Prayer:

Merciful God, your Son was lifted up on the cross to draw all people to himself. Grant that we who have been born out of his wounded side may at all times find mercy in him. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 52:13-53:12

Congregational Hymn: *Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross*

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Reading of the Passion According to Mark

The Plot to Kill Jesus
The Anointing at Bethany
Judas Agrees to Betray Jesus
The Passover with the Disciples
The Institution of the Lord's Supper

Congregational Hymn - *Ah Holy Jesus* (vs. 1-3)

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Peter's Denial Foretold
Jesus Prays in Gethsemane

Congregational Hymn - *O Sacred Head, Now Wounded* (vs. 1-2)

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The Betrayal and Arrest of Jesus
Jesus Before the Council
Peter Denies Jesus

Congregational Hymn - *Ah Holy Jesus* (vs. 4-5) **#349**

Jesus before Pilate
Pilate Hands Jesus over to Be Crucified
The Soldiers Mock Jesus
The Crucifixion of Jesus

Congregational Hymn - *O Sacred Head, Now Wounded* (vs. 3-4) **#351**

The Death of Jesus
The Burial of Jesus

Congregational Hymn - *In the Cross of Christ I Glory* **#324**

*Bidding Prayers:

L) God of Abraham and Sarah, you promised that through this elderly, infertile couple you were going to bless the world. We ask you to remember your promise to bless the world as your Son hangs on the cross.

C) We live and die by your promises O God.

L) God of Moses and Miriam, you promised to save your people from slavery and death. We ask you to remember your promise to save us from death as your Son suffers on the cross.

C) We live and die by your promises O God.

L) God of David, you promised to come into this world in order to establish your kingdom for all of creation. We ask you to remember your promise as your Son dies on the cross wearing a crown of thorns.

C) We live and die by your promises O God.

L) God of the Prophets, you promised that you were about to do something new for all of creation. You promised you would write your law on our hearts and that all flesh would see your face. We ask you to remember your promise as your Son's body is laid in the tomb.

C) We live and die by your promises O God.

L) Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, you promised your Son that you would raise him to new life three days after he was crucified. In his death, he has taken on our sin onto himself and united us to him. We ask you to remember the promise you made to your Son.

C) We shall live by your promise O God. Amen.

As the service comes to a conclusion, our Crucified Lord's body rests in a tomb. The congregation leaves the sanctuary with nothing but the fading memory of an impossible promise Jesus made to all of us long ago when he said, "I am the resurrection and the life." We will gather again at 6:30 on Sunday morning in order to see if this impossible promise could somehow still be true.

Resurrection Sunday Worship Schedule

6:30am – Sunrise Worship Service

8:15 am – Worship Service

10:00 am – Worship Service