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**GOOD FRIDAY
THE DAY OF APRIL 22,
THE YEAR OF OUR LORD 2011
10:00 AM**

“But the LORD is in his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before him.”
(Habakkuk 2:20)

WE PREPARE TO MEET WITH GOD

Welcome

Preparatory Devotional

Quiet Prayer

Asterisks (*) denote portions for congregation to stand.
Unless otherwise stated, all Scripture quotations are from the English Standard Version (ESV).
Congregational readings are in **bold**.

GOD SUMMONS US INTO HIS PRESENCE

The Greeting of God

The Call to Worship: *Isaiah 53:4-6*

⁴Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. ⁵But he was wounded for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his stripes we are healed. ⁶All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned—every one—to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S SUMMONS

*Hymn of Praise: *Trinity Hymnal 257, "Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted"*

*Opening Prayer

*Hymn of Praise: *Trinity Hymnal 244, "He Was Wounded for Our Transgressions"*

GOD DECLARES HIS LAW

Reading of the Law: *Genesis 2:15-17*

¹⁵The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to work it and keep it. ¹⁶And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, "You may surely eat of every tree of the garden, ¹⁷but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die."

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S LAW

Silent Prayer of Confession

Confession of Sin (Unison):

**Heavenly Father, King of Glory,
we are sinners through our father Adam.**

**In Adam, we have raised our thoughts above your wisdom,
lifted our fists against your rule,
and sought to be our own gods against you.**

**Like Adam, we continue to rule our own lives day by day,
serving our own ambitions,
worshiping our own desires,
and delighting in sin instead of your righteousness.**

**Almighty God, we are sinners through and through,
and you are blameless in all your judgments.
Have mercy on us, O God, for all our sins.**

GOD DECLARES HIS GOSPEL

Reading of the Gospel: *Romans 5:18-21*

¹⁸Therefore, as one trespass led to condemnation for all men, so one act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all men. ¹⁹For as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous. ²⁰Now the law came in to increase the trespass, but where sin increased, grace abounded all the more, ²¹so that, as sin reigned in death, grace also might reign through righteousness leading to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Confession of the Gospel (Unison):

**Dear heavenly Father, we do receive and rest on Christ Jesus alone
for righteousness, holiness, and eternal life.**

Assurance of Pardon: *John 6:35*

³⁵Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst.

WE RESPOND TO THE GOSPEL

*Hymn of Thanksgiving: *Trinity Hymnal 264, "Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross"*

GOD TEACHES US HIS WORD

Reading of the Word of God: *John 19:16-30*

¹⁶So he delivered him over to them to be crucified. So they took Jesus,
¹⁷and he went out, bearing his own cross, to the place called The Place of
a Skull, which in Aramaic is called Golgotha. ¹⁸There they crucified him,
and with him two others, one on either side, and Jesus between them.
¹⁹Pilate also wrote an inscription and put it on the cross. It read, "Jesus of
Nazareth, the King of the Jews." ²⁰Many of the Jews read this inscription,
for the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city, and it was
written in Aramaic, in Latin, and in Greek. ²¹So the chief priests of the
Jews said to Pilate, "Do not write, 'The King of the Jews,' but rather,
'This man said, I am King of the Jews.'" ²²Pilate answered, "What I have
written I have written."

²³When the soldiers had crucified Jesus, they took his garments and
divided them into four parts, one part for each soldier; also his tunic.
But the tunic was seamless, woven in one piece from top to bottom, ²⁴so
they said to one another, "Let us not tear it, but cast lots for it to see
whose it shall be." This was to fulfill the Scripture which says, "They
divided my garments among them, and for my clothing they cast lots."

So the soldiers did these things, ²⁵but standing by the cross of Jesus were
his mother and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary
Magdalene. ²⁶When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he
loved standing nearby, he said to his mother, "Woman, behold, your
son!" ²⁷Then he said to the disciple, "Behold, your mother!" And from
that hour the disciple took her to his own home.

²⁸After this, Jesus, knowing that all was now finished, said (to fulfill the
Scripture), "I thirst." ²⁹A 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. ³⁰When Jesus had received the sour wine, he said, "It is finished,"
and he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

Prayer for Understanding

Preaching of the Word of God:

"It Is Finished" — Pastor Christopher Seah

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Hymn of Response: *Trinity Hymnal 246: "Man of Sorrows! What a Name"*

A Prayer of Response

Thanksgiving

Providence Reformed Presbyterian Church

The Republic of Singapore

The Holy Church of Jesus Christ

*The Confession of Faith (Unison): *The Apostles' Creed*

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, dead, and buried;

he descended into hell;

the third day he rose again from the dead;

he ascended into heaven,

and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

from there he shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit;

the holy ⁺catholic Church;

+catholic: universal

the communion of saints;

the forgiveness of sins;

the resurrection of the body;

and the life everlasting.

Amen.

*Hymn of Consecration: *Trinity Hymnal 520: "Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness"*

GOD DISMISSES US WITH HIS BLESSINGS

*Benediction