

**THE PARISH OF MISSISSIPPI LAKE
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**WEDNESDAY IN HOLY WEEK – 7:00 PM
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Presider: Mary Ellen Berry
Homilist: Jennifer Bulman
Reader: Kirk Hansen

Thank you for joining us in worship today! Please have your Candles already lit and Prayer Spaces ready before we begin.

We gather today on the traditional territory of the Algonquin people. May we dwell on this land with respect and peace. For those who may be watching this from beyond our parish, we invite you to acknowledge the traditional territory you are on today.

The Proclamation of the Word

Christ became obedient unto death for us,
Even death upon a cross.

He was pierced for our sins,
Bruised for no fault but ours.

His punishment has won our peace,
And by his wounds we are healed.

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain
to receive power and riches and wisdom,
Strength, honour, glory, and praise. Amen.

Let us pray,

Lord God,
your Son our Saviour gave his body to be whipped
and turned his face for men to spit upon.
Give your servants grace to accept suffering for his sake,
confident of the glory that will be revealed,
through Jesus Christ our Lord
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF ISAIAH

The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens - wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

ISAIAH 50:4-9A

Psalm

Be pleased, O God, to deliver me; *
O Lord, make haste to help me.

Let those who seek my life be ashamed
and altogether dismayed; *
**let those who take pleasure in my misfortune
draw back and be disgraced.**

Let those who say to me "Aha!" and gloat over me turn back,*
because they are ashamed.

Let all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you; *
let those who love your salvation say for ever, "Great is the Lord!"

But as for me, I am poor and needy; *
come to me speedily, O God.

You are my helper and my deliverer; *
O Lord, do not tarry.

PSALM 70

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO JOHN

Jesus was troubled in spirit, and declared, "Very truly, I tell you, one of you will betray me." The disciples looked at one another, uncertain of whom he was speaking. One of his disciples the - one whom Jesus loved - was reclining next to him; Simon Peter therefore motioned to him to ask Jesus of whom he was speaking. So while reclining next to Jesus, he asked him, "Lord, who is it?" Jesus answered, "It is the one to whom I give this piece of bread when I have dipped it in the dish." So when he had dipped the piece of bread, he gave it to Judas son of Simon Iscariot. After he received the piece of bread, Satan entered into him. Jesus said to him, "Do quickly what you are going to do." Now no one at the table knew why he said this to him. Some thought that, because Judas had the common purse, Jesus was telling him, "Buy what we need for the festival"; or, that he should give something to the poor. So, after receiving the piece of bread, he immediately went out. And it was night. When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been

glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once."

JOHN 13:21-32

Homily

The Litany

Let us offer our praises and prayers
to the one who intercedes for us, saying,
"Lamb of God, we praise you."

Lord Jesus, you embraced the cross
so that we might learn to give our lives for the sake of love:
Lamb of God, we praise you.

Innocent captive,
you submitted to the judgement of sinners:
Lamb of God, we praise you.

In the hour of death you heard the penitent thief
and opened to him the door of paradise:
Lamb of God, we praise you.

Most merciful Saviour,
you have known the pain of abandonment:
Lamb of God, we praise you.

Lord, you love all whom God has made
and gave up your own self for them:

Lamb of God, we praise you.

Through your self-offering
you have brought the crown of life to all people:

Lamb of God, we praise you.

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

The Celebration of the Eucharist

God of glory,
may our worship this day
fix the eyes of our faith on Jesus,
the pioneer and perfecter of our new humanity,
who is seated at the right hand of your throne,
now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, gracious God,
creator of heaven and earth;
we give you thanks and praise
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who for our sins was lifted high upon the cross,
that he might draw the whole world to himself.
By his suffering and death,
he became the source of eternal salvation
for all who put their trust in him.
Therefore with all the host of heaven
who gather around your throne and the Lamb,
we raise our voices
to proclaim the glory of your name.

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

We give thanks to you, Lord our God,
for the goodness and love
you have made known to us in creation;
in calling Israel to be your people;
in your Word spoken through the prophets;
and above all in the Word made flesh,
Jesus your Son.

For in these last days you sent him
to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world.
In him, you have delivered us from evil,
and made us worthy to stand before you.
In him, you have brought us
out of error into truth,
out of sin into righteousness,
out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over
to suffering and death,
a death he freely accepted,
our Lord Jesus Christ took bread;
and when he had given thanks to you,
he broke it, and gave it to his disciples,
and said, " Take, eat:
this is my body which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine;
and when he had given thanks,
he gave it to them,
and said, "Drink this, all of you:
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, Father, according to his command,
we remember his death,
we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory;

and we offer our sacrifice
of praise and thanksgiving
to you, Lord of all;
presenting to you, from your creation,
this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God,
to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts,
that they may be the sacrament
of the body of Christ
and his blood of the new covenant.
Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice,
that we, made acceptable in him,
may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ,
and make them new,
and bring us to that city of light
where you dwell with all your sons and daughters;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church,
and the author of our salvation;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father,
now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, let us pray,
Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into
temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Whoever comes to me shall not hunger,
and whoever believes in me shall never thirst.

The Communion

The gifts of God for the People of God.
Thanks be to God.

Dear friends, wherever you may be, receive Christ; in communion with the saints and the gathering of God's people, unseen yet present with us now.

**Lord Jesus Christ,
you have put your life into our hearts; now we put our lives into
your hands. Take us, renew us and remake us. What we have been
is past;
what we shall be, through you,
still awaits us.
Lead us on. Take us with you.
In your name we pray. Amen.**

Following a time of silence, the people physically present receive communion in one kind by taking the bread from the paten while the chalice remains upon the Altar. Finally, the celebrant should reverently consume the wine.

God our help,
your Son was betrayed by one who called himself a friend.
May we who call him Lord
ever remain his faithful people,
for he lives and reigns with you now and for ever. **Amen.**

Dismissal

May the God of mercy transform you by his grace,
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son,
and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.