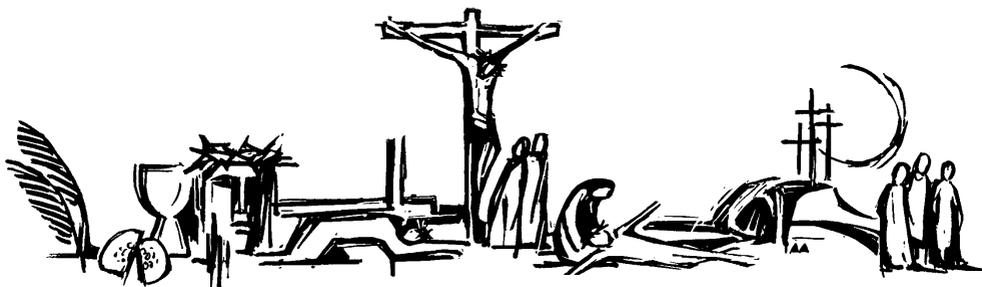


Tuesday Holy Week – Evening Prayer



Opening responses:

Christ, the Lord was tempted and suffered for us.

O come, let us worship.

Christ committed no sin, no guile was found on his lips.

O come, let us worship.

*Christ himself bore our sins in his body on the tree,
that we might die to sin and live to righteousness.*

O come, let us worship.

And by his wounds, we have been healed.

O come, let us worship.

Hymn: 'Behold, behold the wood of the cross' (sheet)

Psalm 130



Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD,
LORD, hear my voice!

O let your ears be attentive
to the voice of my pleading.

If you, O LORD, should mark our guilt,

LORD, who would survive?
But with you is found forgiveness:
for this we revere you.

My soul is waiting for the LORD.
I count on God's word.
My soul is longing for the LORD
more than watchers for daybreak.

Because with the LORD there is mercy
and fullness of redemption,
Israel indeed God will redeem
from all its iniquity.

*Give praise to the Father almighty,
to his son Jesus Christ, the Lord,
To the Spirit who dwells in our hearts,
Both now and forever. Amen.*

Reading: Luke 23: 32-43: Crucifixion

Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with Jesus. When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done

nothing wrong.” Then he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.” He replied, “Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.”

A time of Silence

Response: *The Reproaches v. 5-8*

O my people, what have I done to you?

In what have I offended you? Answer me! – Kyrie eleison.

O my peo-ple, what have I done to you? In what have
I offended you? Answer me! Ky-ri-e, e-lei-son.

(at the beginning: first solo, all repeat)

**5. I opened the sea before you,
but you opened my side with a spear. – O my people...**

**6. I gave you saving water from the rock,
but you gave me gall and vinegar to drink. – O my people...**

**7. I gave you a royal sceptre,
but you gave me a crown of thorns. – O my people...**

**8. I raised you to the height of majesty,
but you have raised me high on a cross. – O my people...**

Intercessions:

We offer our prayers to God in the silence of our hearts.

The Lord's Prayer

Concluding Prayer:

*Jesus, you spent the years of your ministry
sharing the word of God and your healing power
with all who would receive them.*

*You approached your passion with a heart broken by sorrow
but overflowing with love for God and for us.*

Have mercy on us.

Keep us faithful to your gospel

that we may end our days faithful to you.

*We ask this for the glory of your name. **AMEN.***

Blessing Prayer

May the Lord be with us to guide us,

Within us to strengthen us,

Without us to protect us,

Above us to raise us,

Beneath us to uphold us,

Before us to lead us,

Behind us to guard us,

Ever about us this day and evermore. AMEN.

Taizé Chants:

*'In God alone my soul can find rest and peace, in God my peace and joy.
Only in God my soul can find its rest, find its rest and peace.'*

'Jesus, remember me, when you come into your Kingdom.'

We wish you a blessed Holy Week

*'Unless a grain of wheat falls
into the earth and dies,
it remains only a single grain,
but if it does, it bears much fruit.'*

John 12:24

