

St. Peter's Anglican Church
Friday, April 14, 2017
GOOD FRIDAY
The Celebration of the Lord's Passion

The congregation stands as the ministers of the liturgy enter in silence and take their places.

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Collect of the Day

Almighty God, look graciously, we pray, on this your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed and given into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death upon the cross; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

First Reading:

Isaiah 52:13-53:12

Psalm 22

Refrain: My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? and are so far from my cry and from the words of my distress? O my God, I cry in the daytime, but you do not answer; by night as well, but I find no rest. **R** Yet you are the Holy One, enthroned upon the praises of Israel. Our forefathers put their trust in you; they trusted, and you delivered them. **R** They cried out to you and were delivered; they trusted in you and were not put to shame. But as for me, I am a worm and no man, scorned by all and despised by the people. **R** All who see me laugh me to scorn; they curl their lips and wag their heads, saying, "He trusted in the Lord; let him deliver him; let him rescue him, if he delights in him." **R** Yet you are he who took me out of the womb, and kept me safe upon my mother's breast. I have been entrusted to you ever since I was born; you were my God when I was still in my mother's womb. **R** Be not far from me, for trouble is near, and there is none to help. Many young bulls encircle me; strong bulls of Bashan surround me. They open wide their jaws at me, like a ravening and a roaring lion. **R** I am poured out like water; all my bones are out of joint; my heart within my breast is melting wax. My mouth is dried out

like a pot-sherd; my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth; and you have laid me in the dust of the grave. **R** Packs of dogs close me in, and gangs of evildoers circle around me; they pierce my hands and my feet; I can count all my bones. They stare and gloat over me; they divide my garments among them; they cast lots for my clothing. **R** Be not far away, O Lord; you are my strength; hasten to help me. Save me from the sword, my life from the power of the dog. Save me from the lion's mouth, my wretched body from the horns of wild bulls. I will declare your name to my brethren; in the midst of the congregation I will praise you. **R** Praise the Lord, you that fear him; stand in awe of him, O offspring of Israel; all you of Jacob's line, give glory. For he does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty; neither does he hide his face from them; but when they cry to him he hears them. **R** My praise is of him in the great assembly; I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him. The poor shall eat and be satisfied, and those who seek the Lord shall praise him: "May your heart live for ever!" **R** All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord, and all the families of the nations shall bow before him. For kingship belongs to the Lord; he rules over the nations. To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; all who go down to the dust fall before him. **R** My soul shall live for him; my descendants shall serve him; they shall be known as the Lord's for ever. They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn the saving deeds that he has done. **R**

Second Reading:

Hebrews 4: 14-16, 5:7-9

The Passion:

John 18:1-19:42

The Solemn Intercession

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At this point, a wooden cross is brought forward and placed before the altar.

*The choir will sing verses of the hymn **Were You There When They Crucified My Lord** between the meditations.*

Meditation on the Cross of Jesus

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The Lord's Prayer

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Closing Prayer

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The ministers of the liturgy depart in silence.