



St. Saviour's Anglican Church
Diocese of Cape Town



I AM THIRSTY

GOOD FRIDAY
3 HOUR DEVOTION

15 April 2022

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*The congregation stands.
The Priest standing says:*

People of God, we have come together that we may hear again how our Lord and Saviour suffered upon the cross, and that hearing, we may offer our lives anew to Him who died for us. Let us prepare ourselves as we pray this prayer.

*The procession enters in silence.
The clergy prostrates at the appropriate place. This is followed by a period of silence.*

*The congregation kneel.
The Priest standing prays:*

Let us pray.

Almighty Father
Hear our prayer
And look with mercy on this your family
For which our Lord Jesus Christ
Was ready to be betrayed
Into the hands of sinners
And suffer on the cross;
Who is alive, and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit
One God, now and forever. **AMEN**

Choral Item: Encore Chamber Choir

From Psalm 31- led by clergy;
To you Lord have I come for shelter:
let me never be put to shame.
O deliver me in your righteousness:
Incline your ear to me and be swift to save me.
Into your hands: Lord I commit my spirit.

For my life wears out in sorrow
And my years with sighing:
My strength fails me in affliction
And my bones are consumed.
I am become the scorn of all my enemies:
And my neighbours wag their heads in derision.
Into your hands: Lord I commit my spirit.

I am a thing of horror to my friends:
And those that see me in the street shrink from me.
I am forgotten like a dead man out of mind
I have become like a broken vessel.

Into your hands: Lord I commit my spirit.

For I hear the whispering of many:
And fear is on every side;
While they plot together against me:
and scheme to take away my life.

Into your hands: Lord I commit my spirit.

But in your Lord I put my trust:
I have said You are my God.
All my days are in your hand:
O deliver me from the power of my enemies
And from my persecutors.

Into your hands: Lord I commit my spirit.

But you heard the voice of my supplication:
when I cried to you for help.
Be strong and let your heart take courage:
All you that hope in the Lord

Into your hands: Lord I commit my spirit.

Hymn: When I survey the wondrous cross

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| 1 When I survey the wondrous Cross
On which the prince of Glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride. | 2. Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast
On which the prince of Glory died
All the vain things that charm me most
And pour contempt on all my pride. |
| 3 See from his head, his hands, his feet
Sorrow and love flow mingling down;
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown? | 4 Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were an offering too small
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all. |
| 5 Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were an offering far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all. | |

Before the reading of the Passion, the congregation acclaims:

Acclamation:

Christ humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on the cross. Therefore God has highly exalted Him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name.

The passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
John 19:1-37

Choral Item: Encore Chamber Choir

Reading: John 7: 37-39

Address 1: Fr Chesnay – Thirsting for holiness

Choral Item: Encore Chamber Choir

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

Today Christ offers his life to the Father for salvation of humankind. In union with him we now pray that all may receive the benefits of his passion.

For the church

Let us pray, dear friends, for the holy Church of God throughout the world, that God the almighty Father may guide it and gather it together so that we may worship him in peace and tranquility.

Silent prayer then the Minister says

Almighty and eternal God, you have shown your glory to all nations in Christ, your Son. Guide the work of your Church. Help it to persevere in faith, to proclaim your name, and to bring salvation to people everywhere.

Lord in your mercy

Hear our prayer

For the clergy and laity of the church

Let us pray for *Joshua* our suffragan bishop, together with *Thabo* our Diocesan metropolitan, for all bishops, priests and deacons; for those who have a special ministry in the Church; and for all God's people.

Silent prayer. Then the Minister says

Almighty and eternal God, your Spirit guides the Church and makes it holy. Listen to our prayers and help all in their own vocation to do your work more faithfully.

Lord in your mercy
Hear our prayer

For those preparing for the baptism and confirmation

Let us pray for those preparing for baptism and confirmation, that God in his mercy may make them responsive to his love.

Silent prayer. Then the Minister says

Almighty and eternal God, you continually add to your Church those whom you call. Increase the faith and understanding of those preparing for baptism and confirmation, and make them faithful members of your chosen family.

Lord in your mercy
Hear our prayer

For the unity of Christians

Let us pray for all our brothers and sisters who share our faith in Jesus Christ, that God may gather and keep together in one Church all those who seek the truth.

Silent prayer. Then the Minister says

Almighty and eternal God, you keep together those you have united. Look kindly on all who follow Jesus your Son. We are consecrated to you our common baptism; make us one in the fullness of faith and keep us one in the fellowship of love.

Lord in your mercy
Hear our prayer

For the Jewish people

Let us pray for the Jewish people, the first to hear the word of God, that they may continue to grow in the love of his Name and confess Jesus as Messiah.

Silent prayer Then the Minister says

Almighty and eternal God, you gave your promise to Abraham and his descendants. Grant that the people you first made your own may arrive at the fullness of redemption.

Lord in your mercy

Hear our prayer

For those who do not believe in Christ

Let us pray for those who do not believe in Christ, that the light of the Holy Spirit may show them the way of salvation.

Silent prayer Then the Minister says

Almighty and eternal God, whom all seek, even unknowingly: open the eyes of those who know not Christ, that they may find in him alone, the way, the truth and the life.

Lord in your mercy

Hear our prayer

For those who do not believe in God

Let us pray for those who do not believe in God.

Silent prayer Then the Minister says

Almighty and eternal God, you have made us for yourself and our hearts are restless until they find their rest in you. Have mercy on all who live in doubt and unbelief, that they may know you the one Creator God and Jesus Christ whom you have sent.

Lord in your mercy

Hear our prayer

For all in public office

Let us pray for those who serve in public office, that God will guide their minds and hearts, so that all my live in true peace and freedom.

Silent prayer Then the Minister says

Almighty and eternal God, in your goodness watch over those in authority so that people everywhere may enjoy true freedom, security and peace.

Lord in your mercy

Hear our prayer

For those in special need

Let us pray, dear friends that God the almighty Father may heal the sick, comfort the dying, give safety to travelers, free those unjustly deprived of liberty and rid the world of falsehood, hunger and disease.

Silent prayer. Then the Minister says

Almighty and eternal God, you give strength to the weary and new courage to those who have lost heart. Hear the prayers of all who call on you in any trouble, that they may have the joy of receiving your help in their need.

We ask all this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Anthem: Thou knowest Lord, the secrets of our hearts

SOLEMN ADORATION OF THE CROSS.

A veiled cross is carried to the altar. Facing the people, the priest uncovers the upper part of it, and elevates it and says.

Lord, by your holy cross you redeemed the world

We adore, Christ, and we bless you

The Priest unveils the right arm, and elevates the cross, and the words are repeated. Finally he uncovers the entire cross, elevates it and the words are again repeated.

The cross is placed in the sanctuary

The reproaches are said; all kneeling or seated prayerfully

My people, what have I done to you? How have I offended you? Answer me!.

I led you out of Egypt, from slavery to freedom, but you led your Saviour to the cross.

My people, what have I done to you? How have I offended you? Answer me!.

Holy is God! Holy and strong! Holy immortal One, have mercy on us.

For forty years I led you safely through the desert. I fed you with manna from heaven, and brought you to a land of plenty; but you led your Saviour to the cross.

Holy is God! Holy and strong! Holy immortal One, have mercy on us.

What more could I have done for you? I planted you as my fairest vine, but you yielded only bitterness. When I was thirsty you gave me vinegar to drink, and you pierced your Saviour's side with a lance.

Holy is God! Holy and strong! Holy immortal One, have mercy on us.

I opened the sea before you, but you opened my side with a spear.

My people, what have I done to you? How have I offended you? Answer me!.

I led you on your way in a pillar of cloud, but you led me to Pilate's court.

My people, what have I done to you? How have I offended you? Answer me!.

I bore you up with manna in the desert, but you struck me down and scourged me.

My people, what have I done to you? How have I offended you? Answer me!.

I gave you saving water from the rock, but you gave me gall and vinegar to drink.

My people, what have I done to you? How have I offended you? Answer me!.

I gave you a royal scepter, but you gave me a crown of thorns.

My people, what have I done to you? How have I offended you? Answer me!.

I raised you to the height of majesty, but you have raised me high on a cross.

My people, what have I done to you? How have I offended you? Answer me!.

We praise and adore you, O Christ.

By your cross and precious blood you have redeemed us.

Worthy is the lamb, the Lamb that was slain, to receive all power and wealth, wisdom and might, honour and glory and praise!

We praise and adore you, O Christ. By your cross and precious blood you have redeemed us.

You are worthy, O Christ, for you were slain, and by your blood you purchased for God people of every tribe, language, nation and race; you have made them a royal house, to serve our God as priests; and they shall reign upon earth.

We praise and adore you, O Christ. By your cross and precious blood you have redeemed us.

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father:

To him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen

Liturgical Dance

Reading: **John 13: 36 -14: 9**

Address 2: Revd. Johan – Thirsting for direction

HYMN: I Hunger and I thirst:

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| 1. I Hunger and I thirst:
Jesu, my manna be;
Ye living waters, burst
Out of the rock for me. | 2. Thou bruised and broken Bread
My life-long wants supply;
As living souls fed,
O feed me, or I die. |
| 3 Thou true life-giving Vine,
Let me thy sweetness prove;
Renew my life with thine,
Refresh my soul with love. | 4. Rough paths my feet have trod
Since first their course began:
Feed me, thou Bread of God;
Help me, thou Son of Man. |
| 5 For still the desert lies
My thirsting soul before:
O living waters, rise
Within me evermore. | |

Reading: 1 John 1:1-7

Address 3: Fr. Chesnay – Thirst for life and love

Anthem: Hide not Thy face O Lord

As the congregation come to make their offertory, they are invited to collect a cup, most appropriate to that which they thirst for. In each cup is a little bit of water, reminding each of us that Jesus is our life giver. Jesus thirst on the cross, enables us to never be thirsty again. Today we drink our fill and quench our thirst.

Hymn for Offertory: Let your living water

Let your living water flow over my soul
Let your Holy Spirit come and take control
Of every situation that has troubled my mind.
All my cares and burdens onto You I roll.

*Jesus, Jesus, Jesus
Father, Father, Father
Spirit, Spirit, Spirit.*

Come now, Holy Spirit, and take control.
Hold me in Your loving arms and make me whole.
Wipe away all doubt and fear and take my pride,
Draw me to Your love and keep me by Your side.

*Jesus, Jesus, Jesus
Father, Father, Father
Spirit, Spirit, Spirit.*

Give your life to Jesus, let Him fill Your soul.
Let Him take You in His arms and make you whole.
As you give your life to Him He'll set You free.
You will live and reign with Him eternally.

As the deer pants

As the deer pants for the water,
So my soul longs after You.
You alone are my heart's desire
And I long to worship You.

*You alone are my strength, my shield,
To you alone may my spirit yield.
You alone are my heart's desire
And I long to worship You.*

I want you more than gold or silver,
Only You can satisfy.
You alone are the real joy-giver
And the apple of my eye.

You're my friend and You are my Brother,
Even though You are a King.
I love You more than any other,
So much more than anything.

Anthem: Lord, for thy tender mercies sake.

Final Prayer

Lord
send down you abundant blessings on your people
who have devoutly recalled the death of your Son
in the sure hope of the resurrection:
grant them pardon, bring them comfort
may their faith grow stronger
and their eternal salvation be assured.

AMEN

ALL LEAVE IN SILENCE!

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