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8:15am – Traditional
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*"Raising Up
Families and Followers
of Jesus Christ"*

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THE OLD RUGGED, WOODEN CROSS

AS WE GATHER

Since the altar is stripped and the paraments are gone, the wood of many altars, lecterns, and pulpits are fully exposed. Wood reminds you what took place on the tree of the cross, where your Lord once died. Jesus' cross brings peace, forgiveness, and salvation. By it, the lives of Christians are rescued, sweetened, and lightened. We reflect upon these familiar words of "The Old Rugged Cross" penned by American composer George Bennard in 1912:

On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross,
The emblem of suffering and shame;
And I love that old cross where the dearest and best
For a world of lost sinners was slain.
So I'll cherish the old rugged cross,
Till my trophies at last I lay down;
I will cling to the old rugged cross
And exchange it some day for a crown.

+ PREPARATION +

425 WHEN I SURVEY THE WONDROUS CROSS



1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross On which the
2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast Save in the
3 See, from His head, His hands, His feet Sor - row and
4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, That were a



Prince of Glo - ry died, My rich - est gain I
death of Christ, my God; All the vain things that
love flow min - gled down! Did e'er such love and
trib - ute far too small; Love so a - maz - ing,



count but loss And pour con - tempt on all my pride.
charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to His blood.
sor - row meet Or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
so di - vine, De - mands my soul, my life, my all!

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748 Tune: Lowell Mason, 1792–1872 Text and tune: Public domain

INVOCATION

Leader In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation **Amen.**

OPENING SENTENCES *2 Corinthians 5:21, alt.; Isaiah 53:5*

Leader For our sake God made Jesus to be sin who knew no sin,

Congregation **so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God.**

Leader But He was wounded for our transgressions;

Congregation **He was crushed for our iniquities;**

Leader upon Him was the chastisement that brought us peace,

Congregation **and with His stripes we are healed.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION *Based on Philippians 2:1–11*

Leader Lord Jesus, search our hearts and minds that we may receive Your Word, share in Your Spirit, and be renewed in our relationships with You and with one another.

We observe a moment of silence for personal prayers of confession.

Leader With humble hearts, let us pray together:

Congregation **Lord Jesus, the Father's only Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords, hear us as we pray.**

Leader You reign over all things yet humbled Yourself for our salvation, suffering under God's wrath that was poured out upon You on the wooden cross.

Congregation **Our rebellion against You in thought, word, and action is why You died for us—**

Leader to forgive our sins, to redeem our lives, and to cancel the debt we owe to God.

Congregation **With hearts that are humble and lives ever grateful, help us to receive Your grace, bow before You in worship, and confess that You alone are Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

Leader Almighty God our heavenly Father shows His mercy to us in the sending of His Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who was sacrificed upon the old rugged wooden cross so that we may be rescued from our sins and given the peace that God alone can give. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation **Amen.**

THIS IS THE CROSS VIDEO

+ WORD +

KYRIE

Leader Lord, have mercy.
Congregation Christ, have mercy.
Leader Lord, have mercy.

SALUTATION

Leader The Lord be with you.
Congregation And also with you.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Leader Let us pray.
Almighty God, graciously behold Your family gathered here at the foot of
the wooden cross of Your dear Son,
**Congregation who delivers us from our sin so that we may have life and have it
abundantly;**
Leader through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and
the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Congregation Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING *2 Kings 6:1–7*

Reader The Old Testament Reading is from Second Kings, the sixth chapter.

¹Now the sons of the prophets said to Elisha, “See, the place where we dwell under your charge is too small for us. ²Let us go to the Jordan and each of us get there a log, and let us make a place for us to dwell there.” And he answered, “Go.” ³Then one of them said, “Be pleased to go with your servants.” And he answered, “I will go.” ⁴So he went with them. And when they came to the Jordan, they cut down trees. ⁵But as one was felling a log, his axe head fell into the water, and he cried out, “Alas, my master! It was borrowed.” ⁶Then the man of God said, “Where did it fall?” When he showed him the place, he cut off a stick and threw it in there and made the iron float. ⁷And he said, “Take it up.” So he reached out his hand and took it.

Reader This is the Word of the Lord.
Congregation Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalms 22:14–23

**Congregation I am poured out like water, and all My bones are out of joint;
My heart is like wax; it is melted within My breast;
My strength is dried up like a potsherd, and My tongue sticks to My
jaws;**

You lay Me in the dust of death.

For dogs encompass Me; a company of evildoers encircles Me; they have pierced My hands and feet— I can count all My bones—they stare and gloat over Me; they divide My garments among them, and for My clothing they cast lots.

But You, O LORD, do not be far off! O You My help, come quickly to My aid! Deliver My soul from the sword, My precious life from the power of the dog! Save Me from the mouth of the lion! You have rescued Me from the horns of the wild oxen!

I will tell of Your name to My brothers; in the midst of the congregation, I will praise You: You who fear the Lord, praise Him! All you offspring of Jacob, glorify Him, and stand in awe of Him, all you offspring of Israel!

EPISTLE

Colossians 2:13–15

Reader

The Epistle is from Colossians, the second chapter.

¹³And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, ¹⁴by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross. ¹⁵He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him.

Reader

This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation

Thanks be to God.

VERSE

Joel 2:13b

Leader

Return to the LORD, your God, for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.

+ THE SEVEN LAST WORDS +

PONDERING: WHY THE WORDS? WHY THE LIGHT?

(We reflect on the seven last words that Jesus spoke from the wooden cross.)

WORD OF PARDON

Luke 23:33–34

³³And when they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified him, and the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. ³⁴And Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.” And they cast lots to divide his garments.

440 JESUS, I WILL PONDER NOW *sts. 1-2*



1 Je - sus, I will pon - der now On Your ho - ly pas - sion;
2 Make me see Your great dis-tress, An - guish, and af - flic - tion,



With Your Spir - it me en - dow For such med - i - ta - tion.
Bonds and stripes and wretch - ed - ness And Your cru - ci - fix - ion;



Grant that I in love and faith May the im - age cher - ish
Make me see how scourge and rod, Spear and nails did wound You,



Of Your suf-f'ring, pain, and death That I may not per - ish.
How for them You died, O God, Who with thorns had crowned You.

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WORD OF PROMISE *Luke 23:39-43*

³⁹One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!" ⁴⁰But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation?" ⁴¹And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong." ⁴²And he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." ⁴³And he said to him, "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

767 JESUS, REMEMBER ME



Je - sus, re-mem-ber me when You come in - to Your king - dom.



Je - sus, re-mem-ber me when You come in - to Your king - dom.

WORD OF LOVE *John 19:25–27*

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.

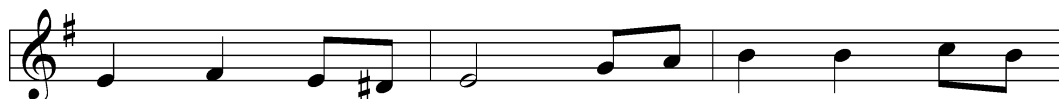
451 STRICKEN, SMITTEN, AND AFFLICTED *sts. 1–2*



1 Strick-en, smit-ten, and af - flict - ed, See Him dy - ing on the
2 Tell me, ye who hear Him groan-ing, Was there ev - er grief like



tree! 'Tis the Christ, by man re - ject - ed; Yes, my
His? Friends through fear His cause dis - own - ing, Foes in -



soul, 'tis He, 'tis He! 'Tis the long - ex - pect - ed
sult - ing His dis - tress; Man - y hands were raised to



Proph - et, Da - vid's Son, yet Da-vid's Lord; Proofs I
wound Him, None would in - ter - vene to save; But the



see suf - fi - cient of it: 'Tis the true and faith - ful Word.
deep - est stroke that pierced Him Was the stroke that jus - tice gave.

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WORD OF JUSTICE *Matthew 27:45–46*

⁴⁵Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land until the ninth hour. ⁴⁶And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?" that is, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"

451 STRICKEN, SMITTEN, AND AFFLICTED *sts. 3-4*

3 Ye who think of sin but light - ly Nor sup - pose the e - vil
4 Here we have a firm foun - da - tion, Here the ref - uge of the
great lost: Here may view its na - ture right - ly, Here its
Christ, the Rock of our sal - va - tion, Is the
guilt may es - ti - mate. Mark the sac - ri - fice ap -
name of which we boast; Lamb of God, for sin - ners
point - ed, See who bears the aw - ful load; 'Tis the
wound - ed, Sac - ri - fice to can - cel guilt! None shall
Word, the Lord's a - noint - ed, Son of Man and Son of God.
ev - er be con - found - ed Who on Him their hope have built.

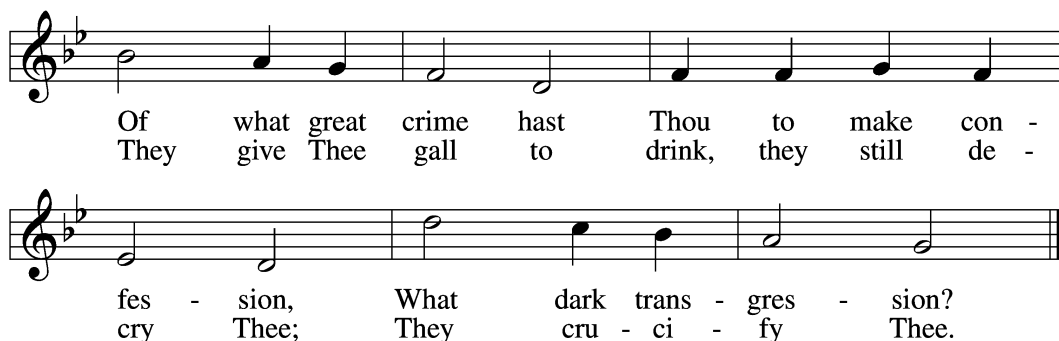
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WORD OF TORMENT *John 19:28*

²⁸After this, Jesus, knowing that all was now finished, said (to fulfill the Scripture), "I thirst."

439 O DEAREST JESUS, WHAT LAW HAST THOU BROKEN *sts. 1-2*

1 O dear - est Je - sus, what law hast Thou bro - ken
2 They crown Thy head with thorns, they smite, they scourge Thee;
That such sharp sen - tence should on Thee be spo - ken?
With cru - el mock - ings to the cross they urge Thee;



Of what great crime hast Thou to they make con -
They give Thee gall to drink, they still de -
fes - sion, What dark trans - gres - sion?
cry Thee; They cru - ci - fy Thee.

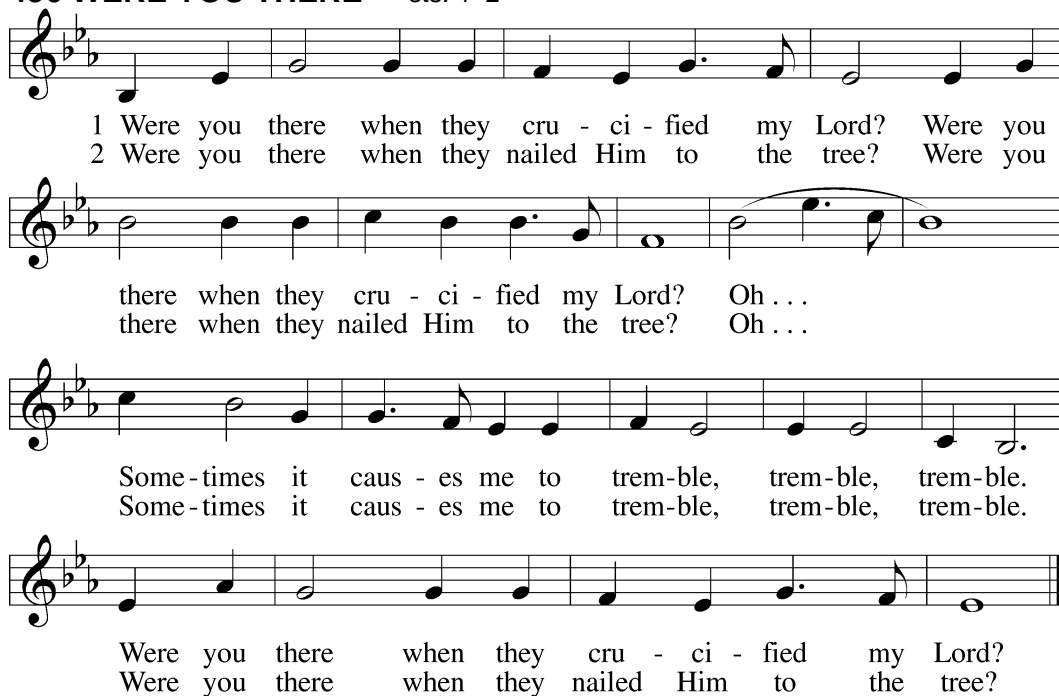
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WORD OF TRIUMPH *John 19:30*

³⁰When Jesus had received the sour wine, he said, “It is finished,” and he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

456 WERE YOU THERE *sts. 1–2*



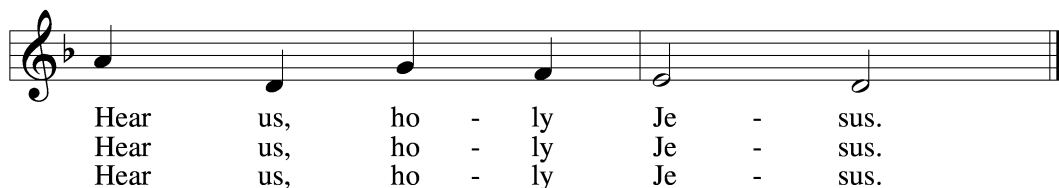
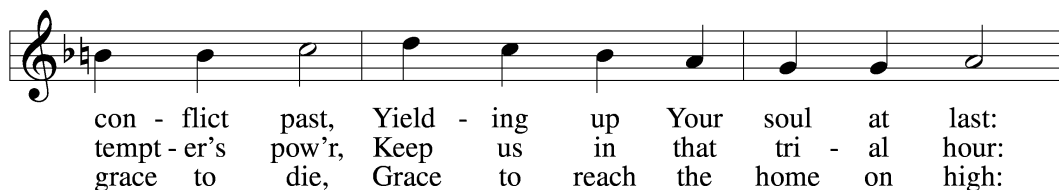
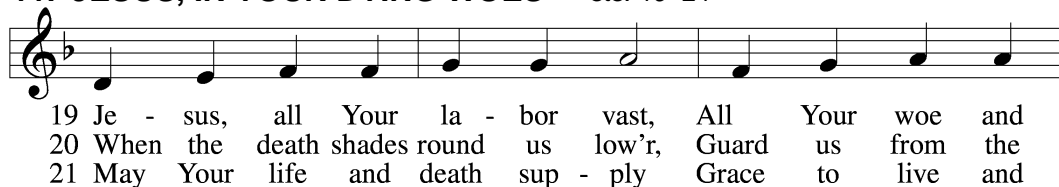
1 Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? Were you
2 Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree? Were you
there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? Oh...
there when they nailed Him to the tree? Oh...
Some-times it caus - es me to trem-ble, trem-ble, trem-ble.
Some-times it caus - es me to trem-ble, trem-ble, trem-ble.
Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?
Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree?

Text and tune: African American spiritual, 19th cent., alt. Text and tune: Public domain

WORD OF REST *Luke 23:46*

⁴⁶Then Jesus, calling out with a loud voice, said, "Father, into your hands I commit my spirit!" And having said this he breathed his last.

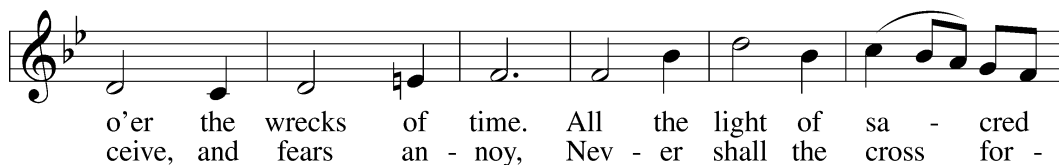
447 JESUS, IN YOUR DYING WOES *sts. 19–21*



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MEDITATION

427 IN THE CROSS OF CHRIST I GLORY *sts. 1–2*





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PRAYER

- Leader** Gracious God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, You gather us together at the foot of Your Son's wooden cross, that we may join with the eyewitnesses of His death and behold His all-sufficient sacrifice for our redemption.
- Congregation** **Grant that the message of the Lamb of God slain for our salvation bring us the riches of Your pardon and peace.**
- Leader** Lead us to see that our sins caused Jesus' great agony in the garden, that our sins nailed Him to the cross of Calvary,
- Congregation** **that He was forsaken by His Father so that we might never be forsaken, and that He died so that we may live.**
- Leader** Lord Jesus, grant that on this Friday that we call "good," the treasured story of Your wondrous love for us may draw us closer to You.
- Congregation** **Encourage our hearts and minds as we hold fast to Your Word, knowing that all You accomplished upon Calvary's cross was done for our salvation.**
- Leader** Holy Spirit, You unite us by Baptism to the death and resurrection of Jesus. Help us to know the power of sharing in His death so that with Him we may partake in His resurrection.
- Congregation** **All glory, honor, and praise be to You, with the Father and the Son, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

543 WHAT WONDROUS LOVE IS THIS



- 1 What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What
- 2 When I was sink-ing down, sink-ing down, sink-ing down, When
- 3 To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing; To
- 4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on; And



won-drous love is this, O my soul! What won-drous love is this That
I was sink-ing down, sink-ing down, When I was sink-ing down Be -
God and to the Lamb I will sing; To God and to the Lamb, Who
when from death I'm free, I'll sing on. And when from death I'm free, I'll



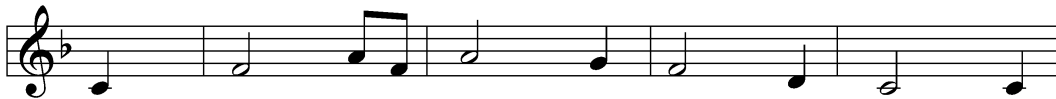
caused the Lord of bliss To bear the dread-ful curse for my
neath God's righ-teous frown, Christ laid a-side His crown for my
is the great I AM, While mil-lions join the theme, I will
sing His love for me, And through e-ter-ni-ty I'll sing



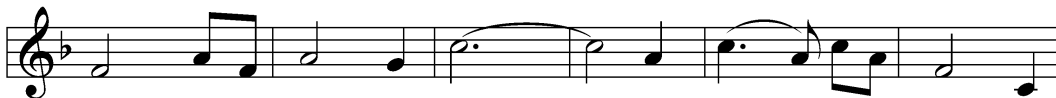
soul, for my soul, To bear the dread-ful curse for my soul!
soul, for my soul, Christ laid a-side His crown for my soul.
sing, I will sing, While mil-lions join the theme, I will sing.
on, I'll sing on, And through e-ter-ni-ty I'll sing on.

Text: A General Selection of . . . Hymns and Spiritual Songs, 1811, Lynchburg, alt.
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744 AMAZING GRACE *sts. 1-4*



1 A - maz - ing grace— how sweet the sound— That
2 The Lord has prom - ised good to me, His
3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I
4 Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail And



saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but
Word my hope se - cures; He will my shield and
have al - read - y come; His grace has brought me
mor - tal life shall cease, A - maz - ing grace shall



now am found, Was blind but now I see!
por - tion be As long as life en - dures.
safe thus far, His grace will lead me home.
then pre - vail In heav - en's joy and peace.

Text: John Newton, 1725–1807, alt. Tune: Columbian Harmony, 1829, Cincinnati Text and tune: Public domain

BENEDICTION

Leader The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
 The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.

Congregation Amen.

(The congregation departs in silent confidence, trusting that the light of Easter will soon scatter the darkness of Good Friday.)

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