



Grace Ev. Lutheran Church
Tucson, AZ

Midweek 6 • April 5, 2017

Parts of the service designated "L" are for the Leader (Pastor).
The Congregation is invited to join in the parts marked "G" for
"Group."

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Please stand

[L] The Lord Al - might - y grant us a qui - et night and peace
at the last. [G] A - - - - men. [L] It is good to give
thanks to the Lord, [G] to sing praise to your name, O Most High, [L] to
her - ald your love in the morn - ing, [G] your truth at the close of day.
[L] Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your king - dom.
[G] Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your king - dom.

CONFESSION OF SINS

[L] Our help is in the name of the Lord,
[G] who made heaven and earth.
[L] Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for self-examination

[L] Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
[G] we have sinned against you in our thoughts, in our words, in our deeds, and in all that we have not done. Forgive us in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Deliver and restore us, that we may rest in peace.

[L] By the mercy of God we are redeemed by Jesus Christ, and in him we are forgiven. Let us rest in his peace until the rising of the sun when we shall serve him in newness of life.

[G] Amen.

Please be seated

HYMN

Before You, God, the Judge of All
Christian Worship #306

RESPONSIVE READING OF PSALM 130

[L] Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord;

[G] O Lord, hear my voice.

[L] Let your ears be attentive

[G] to my cry for mercy.

[L] If you, O Lord, kept a record of sins,

[G] O Lord, who could stand?

[L] But with you there is forgiveness;

[G] therefore you are feared.

[L] I wait for the Lord and in his Word I put my hope.

[G] My soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen wait for the morning.

[L] O Israel, put your hope in the Lord,

[G] for with the Lord is unfailing love and with him is full redemption.

PSALM PRAYER

[L] God of might and compassion, open your ears to the prayers of your people, who wait for you.

[G] Do not leave us in the depths of our sins, but listen to your Church pleading for the fullness of your redemption; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Then the governor's soldiers took Jesus into the Praetorium and gathered the whole company of soldiers around him. They stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, and then twisted together a crown of thorns and set it on his head. They put a staff in his right hand and knelt in front of him and mocked him. "Hail, king of the Jews!" they said. They spit on him, and took the staff and struck him on the head again and again. After they had mocked him, they took off the robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him away to crucify him. As they were going out, they met a man from Cyrene, named Simon, and they forced him to carry the cross. They came to a place called Golgotha (which means The Place of the Skull). There they offered Jesus wine to drink, mixed with gall; but after tasting it, he refused to drink it. When they had crucified him, they divided up his clothes by casting lots. And sitting down, they kept watch over him there. Above his head they placed the written charge against him: THIS IS JESUS, THE KING OF THE JEWS. Two robbers were crucified with him, one on his right and one on his left. Those who passed by hurled insults at him, shaking their heads and saying, "You who are going to destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself! Come down from the cross, if you are the Son of God!" In the same way the chief priests, the teachers of the law and the elders mocked him. "He saved others," they said, "but he can't save himself! He's the King of Israel! Let him come down now from the cross, and we will believe in him. He trusts in God. Let God rescue him now if he wants him, for he said, 'I am the Son of God.'" In the same way the robbers who were crucified with him also heaped insults on him. From the sixth hour until the ninth hour darkness came over all the land. About the ninth hour Jesus cried out in a loud voice, "*Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?*"—which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" When some of those standing there heard this, they said, "He's calling Elijah." Immediately one of them ran and got

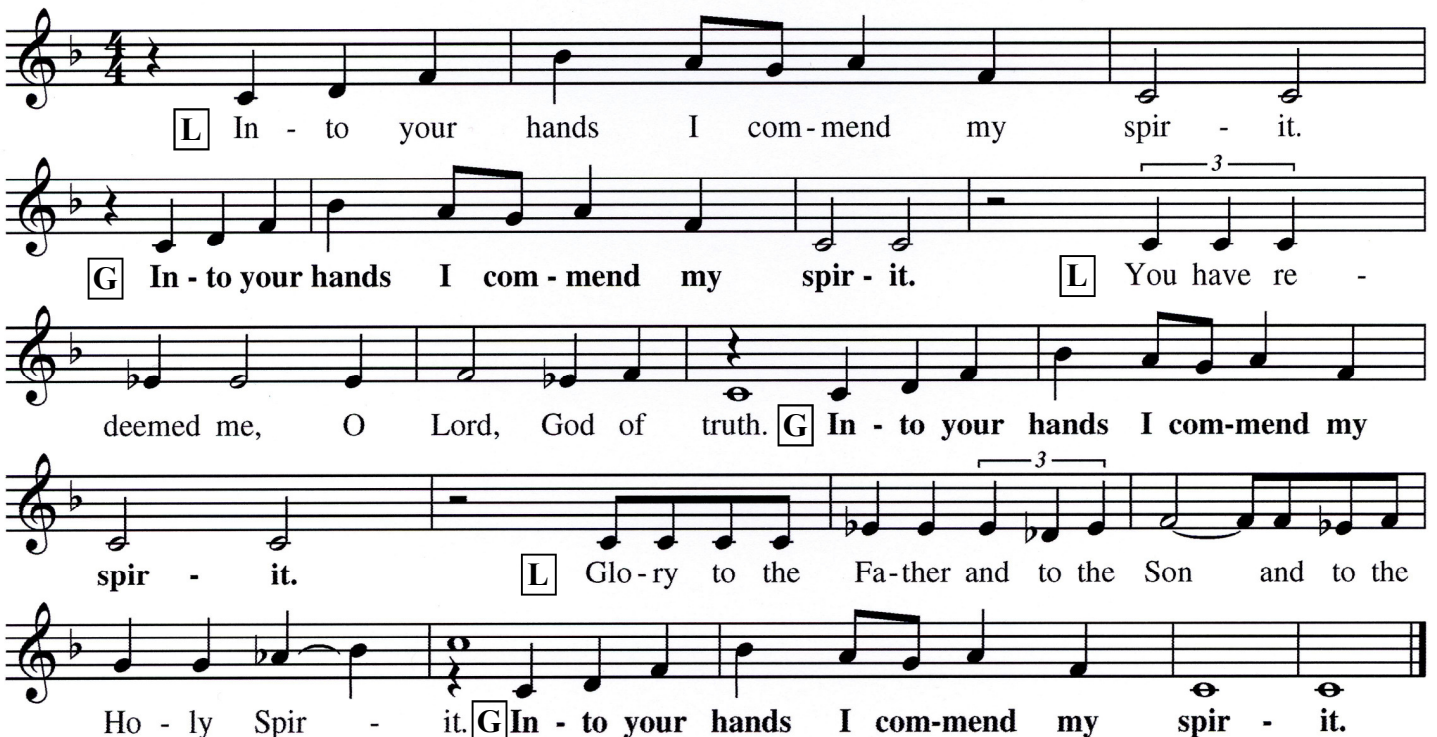
a sponge. He filled it with wine vinegar, put it on a stick, and offered it to Jesus to drink. The rest said, "Now leave him alone. Let's see if Elijah comes to save him." And when Jesus had cried out again in a loud voice, he gave up his spirit. At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom. The earth shook and the rocks split. The tombs broke open and the bodies of many holy people who had died were raised to life. They came out of the tombs, and after Jesus' resurrection they went into the holy city and appeared to many people. When the centurion and those with him who were guarding Jesus saw the earthquake and all that had happened, they were terrified, and exclaimed, "Surely he was the Son of God!" Many women were there, watching from a distance. They had followed Jesus from Galilee to care for his needs. Among them were Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James and Joses, and the mother of Zebedee's sons. As evening approached, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who had himself become a disciple of Jesus. Going to Pilate, he asked for Jesus' body, and Pilate ordered that it be given to him. Joseph took the body, wrapped it in a clean linen cloth, and placed it in his own new tomb that he had cut out of the rock. He rolled a big stone in front of the entrance to the tomb and went away. Mary Magdalene and the other Mary were sitting there opposite the tomb. The next day, the one after Preparation Day, the chief priests and the Pharisees went to Pilate. "Sir," they said, "we remember that while he was still alive that deceiver said, 'After three days I will rise again.' So give the order for the tomb to be made secure until the third day. Otherwise, his disciples may come and steal the body and tell the people that he has been raised from the dead. This last deception will be worse than the first." "Take a guard," Pilate answered. "Go, make the tomb as secure as you know how." So they went and made the tomb secure by putting a seal on the stone and posting the guard.

Now one of the Pharisees invited Jesus to have dinner with him, so he went to the Pharisee's house and reclined at the table. When a woman who had lived a sinful life in that town learned that Jesus was eating at the Pharisee's house, she brought an alabaster jar of perfume, and as she stood behind him at his feet weeping, she began to wet his feet with her tears. Then she wiped them with her hair, kissed them and poured perfume on them. When the Pharisee who had invited him saw this, he said to himself, "If this man were a prophet, he would know who is touching him and what kind of woman she is—that she is a sinner." Jesus answered him, "Simon, I have something to tell you." "Tell me, teacher," he said. "Two men owed money to a certain moneylender. One owed him five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. Neither of them had the money to pay him back, so he canceled the debts of both. Now which of

them will love him more?" Simon replied, "I suppose the one who had the bigger debt canceled." "You have judged correctly," Jesus said. Then he turned toward the woman and said to Simon, "Do you see this woman? I came into your house. You did not give me any water for my feet, but she wet my feet with her tears and wiped them with her hair. You did not give me a kiss, but this woman, from the time I entered, has not stopped kissing my feet. You did not put oil on my head, but she has poured perfume on my feet. Therefore, I tell you, her many sins have been forgiven—for she loved much. But he who has been forgiven little loves little." Then Jesus said to her, "Your sins are forgiven." The other guests began to say among themselves, "Who is this who even forgives sins?" Jesus said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you; go in peace."

Please stand

SERMON RESPONSE



L In - to your hands I com-mend my spir - it.

G In - to your hands I com - mend my spir - it. **L** You have re -

deemed me, O Lord, God of truth. **G** In - to your hands I com-mend my

spir - it. **L** Glo-ry to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the

Ho - ly Spir - it. **G** In - to your hands I com-mend my spir - it.

Please be seated

OFFERING Members of Grace respond to their Savior's love with offerings that are given joyfully, generously, regularly, and in a way that is proportionate to how the Lord has blessed them. Their cheerful gifts support the mission and ministry of our congregation. If you are a guest tonight, please know that we do not expect you to contribute to our congregation's work. However, if you would like to give an offering to the Lord in response to his love to you, we are happy to receive it and put it to work in God's kingdom.

Please fill out the Friendship Register located in the red folder at the end of the pew and pass it along. Thank You!



If you prefer, use your smart phone to give online by scanning this QR code.

Please stand

PRAYER

L Hear my prayer, O Lord. **G** Lis - ten to my cry. **L** Keep me as the
ap - ple of your eye. **G** Hide me in the shad - ow of your wings. **L** In right-eous -
ness I shall see you. **G** When I a - wake, your pres - ence will give me joy.

L Look down, O Lord, from your heavenly throne, and illuminate this night with your celestial bright - ness,
L that by night as by day we may glorify your ho - - - ly name,
L through Je - sus Christ our Lord.
G A - - - - - men.

LORD'S PRAYER

G Our Fa-ther in heav - en, hal-lowed be your name, your
king - dom come, your will be done on earth as in heav - en. Give
us to-day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins, as we for-give
those who sin a - gainst us. Lead us not in-to temp - ta - tion, but de -
liv - er us from e - vil. For the king - dom, the pow - er, and the glo - ry are
yours now and for - ev - er. A - men.

GOSPEL CANTICLE: SONG OF SIMEON

L Guide us wak-ing, O Lord, **G** and guard us sleep - - - ing. **L** that a-wake we may
watch with Christ **G** and a - sleep we may rest in peace. **G** In peace, Lord, in
peace you let your ser vant now de - part ac - cord ing to your word. For my
eyes have seen your sal - va - tion which you have prepared for ev 'ry people, a



BLESSING

- [L] The almighty and merciful Lord—the Father, the Son, (†) and the Holy Spirit—
bless us and keep us.
- [G] Amen.

Please be seated

CLOSING HYMN

Chief of Sinners Though I Be
Christian Worship #385

Those Assisting in Worship this Evening

Worship Leader Pastor Nathan Kassulke
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Holy Week Schedule

Maundy Thursday

Thursday, April 13

10 AM & 7:00 PM at Grace-Tucson

7:00 PM at Grace-Benson

7:00 PM at Grace-Sahuarita

Good Friday

Friday, April 14

7:00 PM at Grace-Sahuarita

Tenebrae Service
(Service of Darkness)

7:00 PM at Grace-Tucson

Worshippers are asked to leave this church service in silence, leaving in stillness and darkness until the dawn of a glorious Easter Day. Please visit with friends and family prior to entering church for worship.



Easter Sunday

Sunday, April 16

Grace-Benson

Festival Worship—8:00 AM

Easter Breakfast—9:00 AM

Grace-Sahuarita

Outdoor Festival Worship—9:00 AM

Easter Breakfast—10:00 AM

Grace-Tucson

Sunrise Worship—7 AM

Easter Breakfast—8 AM

Easter Concert—9 AM

Festival Worship—10 AM

Grace-Vail

Easter Breakfast—9 AM

Festival Worship—10 AM



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