

SUNDAY READINGS

Sunday

Isaiah 50:4-9a ~ The servant submits to suffering

Psalms 31:9-16 ~ I commend my spirit

Philippians 2:5-11 ~ Death on a cross

Mark 15:1-47 ~ The passion and death of Jesus

REFLECTION ON SUNDAY

Monday

Isaiah 42:1-9 ~ The servant brings forth justice

Psalms 36:5-11 ~ Refuge under the shadow of your wings

Hebrews 9:11-15 ~ The blood of Christ redeems for eternal life

John 12:1-11 ~ Mary of Bethany anoints Jesus

Tuesday

Isaiah 49:1-7 ~ The servant brings salvation to earth's ends

Psalms 71:1-14 ~ From my mother's womb you have been my strength

1 Corinthians 1:18-31 ~ The cross of Christ reveals God's power and wisdom

John 12:20-36 ~ Jesus speaks of his death

Wednesday

Isaiah 50:4-9a ~ The servant is vindicated by God

Psalms 70 ~ Be pleased, O God, to deliver me

Hebrews 12:1-3 ~ Look to Jesus, who endured the cross

John 12:21-32 ~ Jesus foretells his betrayal

PREPARATION FOR SUNDAY

Thursday

Exodus 12:1-14 ~ The passover of the Lord

Psalms 116:1-2, 12-19 ~ The cup of salvation

1 Corinthians 11:23-26 ~ Proclaim the Lord's death

John 13:1-17, 31b-35 ~ The service of Christ: footwashing and meal

Friday

Isaiah 52:13—53:12 ~ The suffering servant

Psalms 22 ~ Why have you forsaken me?

Hebrews 10:16-25 ~ The way to God is opened

John 18:1—19:42 ~ The passion and death of Jesus

Saturday

Job 14:1-14 ~ Hope for a tree

Psalms 31:1-4, 15-16 ~ Take me out of the net

1 Peter 4:1-8 ~ The gospel proclaimed even to the dead

John 19:38-42 ~ The burial of Jesus

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Come Behold
the Glory of God

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 31:9-16 Be gracious to me, O Lord, for I am in distress; my eye is wasted from grief; my soul and my body also. For my life is spent with sorrow, and my years with sighing; my strength fails because of my iniquity, and my bones waste away. Because of all my adversaries I have become a reproach, especially to my neighbors, and an object of dread to my acquaintances; those who see me in the street flee from me. I have been forgotten like one who is dead; I have become like a broken vessel. For I hear the whispering of many— terror on every side!— as they scheme together against me, as they plot to take my life. But I trust in you, O Lord; I say, “You are my God.” My times are in your hand; rescue me from the hand of my enemies and from my persecutors! Make your face shine on your servant; save me in your steadfast love!

CONFESSION OF SIN

Psalm 6:1-10 To the choirmaster: with stringed instruments; according to The Sheminith. A Psalm of David. O LORD, rebuke me not in your anger, nor discipline me in your wrath. Be gracious to me, O LORD, for I am languishing; heal me, O LORD, for my bones are troubled. My soul also is greatly troubled. But you, O LORD—how long? Turn, O LORD, deliver my life; save me for the sake of your steadfast love. For in death there is no remembrance of you; in Sheol who will give you praise? I am weary with my moaning; every night I flood my bed with tears; I drench my couch with my weeping. My eye wastes away because of grief; it grows weak because of all my foes. Depart from me, all you workers of evil, for the LORD has heard the sound of my weeping. The LORD has heard my plea; the LORD accepts my prayer. All my enemies shall be ashamed and greatly troubled; they shall turn back and be put to shame in a moment.

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

ASCENT TO WORSHIP

Psalm 47 Clap your hands, all peoples! Shout to God with loud songs of joy! For the LORD, the Most High, is to be feared, a great king over all the earth. He subdued peoples under us, and nations under our feet. He chose our heritage for us, the pride of Jacob whom he loves. Selah. God has gone up with a shout, the LORD with the sound of a trumpet. Sing praises to God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises! For God is the King of all the earth; sing praises with a psalm! God reigns over the nations; God sits on his holy throne. The princes of the peoples gather as the people of the God of Abraham. For the shields of the earth belong to God; he is highly exalted!

INTERCESSION

1 Timothy 2:1-6, 8 I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men; For kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty. For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour; Who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus; Who gave himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time. I will therefore that men pray every where, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting.

OFFERTORY

Psalm 34:8-10 Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him! Oh, fear the Lord, you his saints, for those who fear him have no lack!

Romans 8:28-29 And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers.

Prayer As we give in today’s offering, we believe that You, O Lord, are a loving and generous God. You will not hold back any good thing from our life. You are our provider.