

The Seven Last Words of Christ

by Théodore Dubois

Mount Olivet Lutheran Church - Minneapolis Campus Wednesday, April 16 - 7pm

The Prelude

The Invocation

Pastor Lose

The Introduction

O all ye who travel upon the highway, hearken to me, and behold me: Was e'er sorrow like unto my sorrow? For the Lord Almighty hath dealt bitterly with me. Call me now no more Naomi, from today call me Mara.

The First Word of Forgiveness Pastor Cieslik Father, forgive them for they know not what they do.

And the people clamored: He is death-guilty; take Him, and let us crucify Him! Be His blood on us, and on our children! Then they did crucify Jesus, and the two thieves, one at His right hand, the other at His left hand.

The Second Word of Salvation Pastor Grangaard Verily, thou shalt be in Paradise today with Me, Amen, so I tell thee.

Hear me, O Lord, and remember me, when Thou comest into Thy kingdom.

The Third Word of Relationship See, O woman, here behold thy son beloved.

See yon mother, bowed in anguish, Who beside the cross doth languish, Where on high her Son is borne: Is there mortal, who not feeleth, to behold her where she kneeleth, so woeful, and all forlorn?

Pastor Dixon The Fourth Word of Abandonment God, My Father, why hast Thou forsaken Me?

All those who were My friends, all have now forsaken Me, and they that hate Me do now prevail against Me, and he whom I have cherished, he hath betrayed Me. Even the vine that I have chosen, and that I have planted: wherefore art thou now so strangely turned into bitterness, that I by thee am crucified?

The Fifth Word of Distress

Pastor Olson Popp

I am athirst!

And the crowd then passing by Him, all did rail upon Him, and shaking their heads at Him, they said unto Him: Ah, Thou wouldst fain destroy the temple; If Thou be Jesus, Son of the Father, now from the cross descend Thou, that we behold it, and believe on Thee when we behold it. If Thou art king over Israel, save Thyself, then!

The Sixth Word of Reunion Father, into Thy hands I commend My soul.

For Thou art My God and My Father; Thou art my Saviour.

Pastor Cieslik

Pastor Lose

The Seventh Word of Triumph It is finished!

Pastor Freeman

And with a loud voice Jesus cried, exclaiming: "It is finished!"

And He did bow His head, and rendered up His spirit. And it was about the sixth hour; and the sun was darkened, and darkness covered the earth, until about the ninth hour; and the veil of the temple was rent, and all the earth did quake; and the rocks were rent, and all the graves were opened wide.

The congregation is invited to join in singing the closing chorale (see insert).

Christ, we do all adore Thee, and we do praise Thee forever; for on the holy cross hast Thou the world from sin redeemed.

The Greeting

The Offertory In Paradisum from Requiem

The Offertory Prayer

(please stand as you are able) **The Closing Hymn** Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross 335:1 Jesus, keep me near the cross, there's a precious fountain; free to all, a healing stream flows from Calv'ry's mountain. In the cross, in the cross be my glory ever; till my ransomed soul shall find rest beyond the river.

The Benediction

Pastor Lose

Gabriel Fauré

Pastor Grangaard

Pastor Grangaard

Pastors

David J. Lose, Senior Pastor Kurt P. Kalland, Monica M. Hammersten, Mark J. Dixon, Rebecca W. Freeman, Benjamin M. Cieslik, Jeni F. Grangaard, Jenna L. Olson Popp

Musicians

Conductor - Dr. Beverly Claflin, Director of Worship & Music Soprano - Amanda Jenkins Tenor - Brian Ohnsorg Baritone - Justin Staebell Chorus - Cathedral Choir & Alumni Principal Organist - Dr. Jordan Buchholtz Violin - Claire Loudon, Renata Steve, Rômulo Sprung, Maisie Block, Ashley Ng, Randi Hellman Viola - Sean Dostal, Matthew Mindeman Cello - Diane Loudon, Ben Osterhouse Bass - Julian Malaby Harp - Emily Gerard Percussion - Robert Adney

Holy Week and Easter at Mount Olivet Living Lord's Supper Communion Service, Thursday, April 17 Minneapolis and West Campuses - 7pm Good Friday Services, April 18 Minneapolis Campus - 8am, 12noon, 5pm, 7pm; West Campus - 5 and 7pm Easter Sunday, April 20 Minneapolis and West Campuses - 7, 8, 9, 10, and 11am

Mount Olivet Easter Fund

Thank you for your generous Easter gift to support the ministries of Mount Olivet.



Online at mtolivet.org/online-giving **Text** "MTOLIVET" to 73256