

*In Memory of*  
*Jesus*



*April 19, 2019*

Jesus, son of Mary, and Joseph (so people thought) was born in Bethlehem of Judea. At about the age of two he moved with his family to Egypt. At the age of four, he moved to the town of Nazareth in Galilee. Thus he was known the rest of his life as a Nazarene. He grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men. His young adult years were spent applying himself in the carpenter's trade. At age thirty he was baptized in the Jordan River and began a public ministry. His ministry attracted large crowds who came to hear him preach, and to be healed. The people who gathered were witnesses to many miracles. After three years, his ministry came to an abrupt end when he was accused of crimes against the state. Jesus loved God and us. On Friday afternoon he humbled himself and became obedient, even to death, death upon a cross. He had attained the age of 33 years. He is survived by his mother Mary, Brothers: James, Joseph, Simon, and Judas; and a number of sisters. He is preceded in death by his earthly father Joseph.

*Good Friday  
April 19, 2019*

*Prelude*

*“The Crucifixion”*

*Barber*

*Words of Welcome and Comfort*

*Call to Worship*

L: Fear and fascination drew observers to the first Holy Friday. These emotions have attracted people ever since.

*P: We cannot flee from the pain and suffering which Jesus experienced on our behalf.*

L: We wonder why one so faithful and loving had to face the agony of rejection and death.

*P: Jesus was wounded for our transgressions and bruised for our inequalities.*

L: It is this time of worship we join Christ at Calvary, aware of our involvement in the cruelty there.

*P: Our faithfulness is tested at the cross and our lives are judged by our response.*

*Hymn: “O Sacred Head, Now Wounded”*

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*Prayer*

*Hymn: “Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore”*

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*Scripture:*

*Matthew 26:69-75*

*Time of Remembrance*

*Simon Peter*

*Stripping of the Altar*

*Hymn “Were You There”*

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*Matthew 26:69-75*

<sup>69</sup> Now Peter was sitting out in the courtyard, and a servant girl came to him. “You also were with Jesus of Galilee,” she said.

<sup>70</sup> But he denied it before them all. “I don’t know what you’re talking about,” he said.

<sup>71</sup> Then he went out to the gateway, where another servant girl saw him and said to the people there, “This fellow was with Jesus of Nazareth.”

<sup>72</sup> He denied it again, with an oath: “I don’t know the man!”

<sup>73</sup> After a little while, those standing there went up to Peter and said, “Surely you are one of them; your accent gives you away.”

<sup>74</sup> Then he began to call down curses, and he swore to them, “I don’t know the man!”

Immediately a rooster crowed. <sup>75</sup> Then Peter remembered the word Jesus had spoken: “Before the rooster crows, you will disown me three times.” And he went outside and wept bitterly.