



HOLY WEEK

Scripture and Prayer Guide

Palm Sunday: Luke 19:28-40

Question for Reflection: Today, how will you honor Christ as King?

Prayer: All-Powerful God, remind us today that Christ is King. Help us to live as servants to Christ the King, striving for peace and justice in this world. Empower us with your grace and love to do your work in the places to which you call us. We pray this in the name of Christ the King, Amen.

Monday: John 12:1-11

Question for Reflection: Today, how might Jesus be affirming your service to him as he affirmed Mary's service to him?

Prayer: Triune God, As we reflect on Christ's final days before his crucifixion, draw us closer to Christ. Grow our hearts and minds to be more like the heart and mind of Christ, and help our lives to be lived out of love for God and for our neighbors. As we journey with Christ to the grave, remind us of our need to die to self so that we might be raised with Christ. We pray this in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, Amen.

Tuesday: John 12:20-36

Question for Reflection: Today, how might you give up a selfish desire ("lose your life") in order to better serve Christ?

Prayer: Triune God, As we reflect on Christ's final days before his crucifixion, draw us closer to Christ. Grow our hearts and minds to be more like the heart and mind of Christ, and help our lives to be lived out of love for God and for our neighbors. As we journey with Christ to the grave, remind us of our need to die to self so that we might be raised with Christ. We pray this in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, Amen.

Wednesday: John 13:21-32

Question for Reflection: Today, how might you be tempted to turn your back on Jesus?

Prayer: Triune God, As we reflect on Christ's final days before his crucifixion, draw us closer to Christ. Grow our hearts and minds to be more like the heart and mind of Christ, and help our lives to be lived out of love for God and for our neighbors. As we journey with Christ to the grave, remind us of our need to die to self so that we might be raised with Christ. We pray this in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, Amen.

Maundy Thursday: John 13:1-17, 31b-35

Question for Reflection: Today, who is Christ calling you to serve?

Prayer: Triune God, As Christ served his disciples by washing their feet, give us eyes to see the ways Christ serves us. Today, provoke us to be like Christ as we serve others. As we journey with Christ to the grave, strengthen our love for those with whom we journey. We pray this in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, Amen.

Good Friday: John 18:1-19:42

Question for Reflection: Today, what image from Christ's arrest, beating, crucifixion, and death strikes you the most?

Prayer: Sacrificial God, Remind us that Christ gave Himself to be beaten and nailed to the cross as an act of love for the world because of the world's sin. As we reflect on the crucifixion and death of Christ, instill in us a contrite heart which leads us to repentance. We pray this prayer in the name of Christ, Amen.

Holy Saturday: John 19:38-42

Question for Reflection: Joseph of Arimathea was a "secret" disciple of Jesus. Today, how might you be able to declare openly that you are a disciple of Jesus?

Prayer: Patient God, as we consider Jesus' lifeless body lying in the tomb, help us imagine the despair of his family and friends on the day following his death. Allow the reality of Christ's sacrificial death to increase our love for Him and our desire to serve Christ especially when it means the giving of our own life. We pray this prayer in the name of Christ, Amen.

Easter Sunday: John 20:1-18

Question for Reflection: Today, how will you live in a way that reflects the hope we have in Christ's resurrection?

Prayer: Living God, we give thanks for the resurrected Christ through whom you are redeeming the world. Today, as we reflect on the resurrection of Jesus, instill in us hope, joy, and peace through knowing that our Savior lives! May today's Easter celebration encourage us your children to live without fear of death in any of its forms as we are reminded that in Christ there is life everlasting! We pray this prayer in the name of our Risen Lord Jesus Christ, Amen.

Holy Week Worship Service Schedule

April 17 Service of Healing at 7:00 pm

April 18 Maundy Thursday at 7:00 pm

April 19 Good Friday at 7:00 pm

April 21 Sunrise Service 7:00 am

April 21 Easter Service 10:00 am