

Noordeloos Christian Reformed Church
Good Friday Worship
April 10, 2020—7:00 PM

Good Friday Message Outline
Pastor Ron De Young
The Centurion
Mark 15:33-39

A TIME OF PRAISE

Prelude: *Lead Me to the Cross*
Welcome
Call to Worship: Ephesians 1:3-8
God's Greeting
Hymn: *Alas, and Did My Savior Bleed*

THE CRUCIFIXION STORY

Scripture Readings: "The Seven Last Words"
Readers: Pastor Ron and Elaine De Young
Prayer
Hymn: *In Christ Alone*

THE WORD AND SACRAMENT

Scripture: Mark 15:33-39
Message: ***The Centurion***
(Series: Characters in the Passion Story)
Prayer of Application
Hymn of Application—*There Is a Redeemer*
Celebrating the Lord's Supper
Partaking of the Bread
Partaking of the Cup

A TIME OF LIVING

God's Parting Blessing
Postlude: *Mercy Tree*

Introduction

1. The centurion's crucial confession
2. Three accounts; three message nuances

I. Matthew's account: He was _____

- A. The story as Matthew told it
- B. The Centurion's response applied to us

II. Luke's account: He was _____

- A. The story as Luke told it
- B. The Centurion's response applied to us

III. Mark's account: He was _____

- A. The story as Mark told it
- B. The Centurion's response applied to us

Conclusion: At the table of Holy Communion

The Seven Last Words of Christ from the Four Gospels

Scripture Reader: Elaine De Young

The Seven Last Words: Pastor Ron

The Crucifixion Story: Luke 23:26-27

Jesus was led away to be crucified. They seized Simon from Cyrene, who was on his way in from the country, and put the cross on him and made him carry it behind Jesus. A large number of people followed him, including women who mourned and wailed for him.

The First Word: Luke 23:32-34

Two other men, both criminals, were also led out with him to be executed. When they came to the place called the Skull, there they crucified him, along with the criminals — one on his right, the other on his left. Jesus said,

"Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing."

The Second Word: Luke 23:38-43

One of the criminals who hung there hurled insults at him: "Aren't you the Christ? Save yourself and us!" But the other criminal rebuked him. "Don't you fear God," he said, "since you are under the same sentence? We are punished justly, for we are getting what our deeds deserve. But this man has done nothing wrong." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." Jesus answered him,

"I tell you the truth, today you will be with me in paradise."

The Third Word: John 19:25-27

Near the cross of Jesus stood his mother, his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother there, and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to his mother, ***"Dear woman, here is your son,"*** and to the disciple, ***"Here is your mother."***

From that time on, this disciple took her into his home.

The Fourth Word: Mark 15:33-34

At the sixth hour darkness came over the whole land until the ninth hour. And at 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?"***

The Fifth Word: John 19:28-29

Knowing that all was now completed, and so that the Scripture would be fulfilled, Jesus said, ***"I am thirsty."*** A jar of wine vinegar was there, so they soaked a sponge in it, put the sponge on a stalk of the hyssop plant, and lifted it to Jesus' lips.

The Sixth Word: John 19:30

When he had received the drink, Jesus said, ***"It is finished."***

The Seventh Word: Luke 23:45-46

The curtain of the temple was torn in two. Jesus called out with a loud voice, ***"Father, into your hands I commit my spirit."*** When he had said this, he breathed his last.