



A HOLY WEEK LITURGY

Preamble:

This liturgy is put together so that we can worship God as individuals or in our families as if we are attending the Holy Week Convention. Instead of just tuning in to the sermons online, it will be good to set aside time to gather at 7.45 pm on Wednesday and Thursday and at 10.30 am on Good Friday so that the EP churches can be worshipping God together, somewhat like what local churches do for online services every Sunday.

If you are alone, you can read out aloud or quietly in your heart the prayers and Scriptures in the liturgy. If you are worshipping with your family, appoint different individuals to lead in the reading or have everyone read out aloud together. We leave you to work out the details. The bottom line is we hope that you will be able to attend the Convention albeit in a rather unique way because of the unprecedented times we are living in due to COVID-19.

Jesus says: "I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world." (John 16:33) May this year's Holy Week be a stark reminder of this truth, all because of Christ's finished work on the cross!

Shalom
Holy Week Convention Committee

*We thank Rev Tan Cheng Huat for compiling these resources. He initially made them available to HPC, KPC and TWPC-EC. We have asked for his permission to share it with the wider EP community.

9 April 2020 (MAUNDY THURSDAY) SERVICE @ 7:45 pm

OPENING

In the past God spoke through the prophets at many times and in various ways, but in the last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and through whom he made the universe.

Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise – the fruit of lips that confess his name.

All: Praise the Lord!

*Song: Our Father by Don Moen

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ln_eFGIEbsM

SCRIPTURE READING:

Isaiah 53:1-12 (can be read responsively)

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

God shows his love for us in that, while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Let us then show our love for him by confessing our sins in penitence and faith. (cf Romans 5.8)

Silence is kept

May God our Father forgive us by the death of his Son
and strengthen us to live in the power of the Spirit all our days.
Amen.

3 Minute PERSONAL REFLECTION:

<https://www.loyolapress.com/retreats/the-lords-supper-start-retreat>

(Source: <https://www.loyolapress.com/our-catholic-faith/liturgical-year/holy-week>)

*Song: Thank You Lord by Don Moen

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K44trVhtZX4>

SERMON: Rev Dr Simon Chan

<http://epeasterconvention.org/#talk2>

*Song: I Offer My Life by Don Moen

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=37u6IBRDgm8>

CLOSING:

Our Lord suffered, died, and was buried.

All: But on the third day he arose again.

O God, your Son Jesus did not hesitate to give himself into the hands of wicked people and to suffer agony on the cross—your Son who now lives and reigns with you, in unity with the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

All: Amen.