

Words From the Cross

“Why Forsaken?”

The title of the midweek Lenten sermon series for this year is “Words From the Cross”. Jesus spoke seven last words or statements from the cross after He was crucified. Even as He was dying, His last words tell us much about Him and what He was accomplishing for us with His innocent suffering and death.

Tonight, our focus is on Jesus’ words in Matthew 27:46: And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, “Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?” that is, “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”

Please invite a friend and join us!

About the service:

- **Please turn off your cell phones.**
- **Prayer Requests:** Please fill out one of the yellow forms in the pew racks and give to an elder during the opening hymn.
- **Children’s Worship Bags** (on the stand in the narthex) are available for young children to use during worship.
- **A Cry Room** with changing table is available at the south side of the narthex where you may watch and listen to the service while caring for your small child.

Everyone is invited and encouraged to come share a meal at 5:30 p.m. on the Wednesday Midweek Service evenings!

Warm fellowship and hot food are a great way to start the evenings of this special worship season.
Watch weekly bulletins and further announcements for confirmation of meal dates and menus.

Free-will offering will benefit missions or other causes as announced!

Psalm 142

Pastor: With my voice I cry out to the LORD;

People: with my voice I plead for mercy to the LORD.

Pastor: I pour out my complaint before him;

People: I tell my trouble before him.

Pastor: When my spirit faints within me,

People: you know my way!

Pastor: In the path where I walk

People: they have hidden a trap for me.

Pastor: Look to the right and see:

People: there is none who takes notice of me;

Pastor: no refuge remains to me;

People: no one cares for my soul.

Pastor: I cry to you, O LORD;

People: I say, “You are my refuge, my portion in the land of the living.”

Pastor: Attend to my cry,

People: for I am brought very low!

Pastor: Deliver me from my persecutors,

People: for they are too strong for me!

Pastor: Bring me out of prison,

People: that I may give thanks to your name!

Pastor: The righteous will surround me,

People: for you will deal bountifully with me.

All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

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Matthew 27:45–47

Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land until the ninth hour. And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, “Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?” that is, “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?” And some of the bystanders, hearing it, said, “This man is calling Elijah.”

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

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