# **Order of Worship Good Friday Service** April 7, 2023

Prelude

Welcome

### **Preparation for Worship**

[Christ] was delivered up for our trespasses. (*Romans* 4:25*a*)

Call to Worship

Pastor: Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD! O LORD, hear my

voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for

mercy!

People: If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, O LORD, who

could stand? But with you there is forgiveness, that you

may be feared.

I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I hope; Pastor:

> my soul waits for the LORD more than watchmen for the morning, more than watchmen for the morning. O Israel,

hope in the LORD!

People: For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with him is

plentiful redemption.

And he will redeem Israel from all his iniquities. Pastor:

ALL: **Praise the LORD!** (*Psalm 130 ESV*)

#### Invocation

#### **Praise and Adoration**

#### From Depths of Woe (Psalm 130)

From the depths of woe I raise to Thee/The voice of lamentation; Lord, turn a gracious ear to me/And hear my supplication; If Thou iniquities dost mark/Our secret sins and misdeeds dark, O who shall stand before Thee? (Who shall stand before Thee?) O who shall stand before Thee? (Who shall stand before Thee?)

To wash away the crimson stain/Grace, grace alone availeth; Our works, alas! Are all in vain/In much the best life faileth; No man can glory in Thy sight/All must alike confess Thy might And live alone by mercy (Live alone by mercy)

And live alone by mercy (Live alone by mercy)

Therefore my trust is in the Lord / And not in mine own merit; On Him my soul shall rest, His word/Upholds my fainting spirit; His promised mercy is my fort/My comfort and my sweet support; I wait for it with patience (Wait for it with patience) I wait for it with patience (Wait for it with patience)

Though great our sins and sore our woes

His grace much more aboundeth;

His helping love no limit knows/Our upmost need it soundeth.

Our Shepherd good and true is He/Who will at last His Israel free

From all their sin and sorrow (All their sin and sorrow) From all their sin and sorrow (All their sin and sorrow)

"Psalm 130 (From Depths of Woe)" | Words: Martin Luther | Music: Christopher Miner

### **Scripture Reading: The Trial of Jesus**

Luke 23:1-25

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

### **How Deep the Father's Love For Us**

How deep the Father's love for us/How vast beyond all measure That He should give His only Son/To make a wretch His treasure. How great the pain of searing loss/The Father turns His face away As wounds which mar the Chosen One/Bring many sons to glory.

Behold the Man upon a cross/My sin upon His shoulders; Ashamed I hear my mocking voice/Call out among the scoffers. It was my sin that held Him there/Until it was accomplished. His dying breath has brought me life/I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything/No gifts no pow'r no wisdom; But I will boast in Jesus Christ/His death and resurrection. Why should I gain from His reward/I cannot give an answer. But this I know with all my heart/His wounds have paid my ransom.

"How Deep The Father's Love For Us" | Stuart Townend | © 1995 Thankyou Music

### Scripture Reading: The Crucifixion of Jesus Luke 23:26-43

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

#### **Beneath The Cross Of Jesus**

Beneath the cross of Jesus/I fain would take my stand, The shadow of a mighty rock/Within a weary land; A home within the wilderness / A rest upon the way, From the burning of the noontide heat/And the burden of the day.

Upon the cross of Jesus/Mine eye at times can see The very dying form of One/Who suffered there for me; And from my stricken heart with tears/Two wonders I confess The wonders of redeeming love/And my unworthiness.

I take, O cross, thy shadow/For my abiding place: I ask no other sunshine than/The sunshine of His face; Content to let the world go by / To know no gain nor loss, My sinful self my only shame/My glory, all the cross.

"Beneath The Cross Of Jesus" | Christopher Miner | Elizabeth Cecilia Clephane

# Scripture Reading: The Death of Jesus

Luke 23:44-49

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

### **Corporate Confession of Sin**

Pastor: Forgive us O Lord! Forgive us! For we have sinned against

Your grace.

People: All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned--

everyone--to his own way; and the Lord has laid on him the

iniquity of us all. (Isaiah 53:6 ESV)

For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against you, you only have I sinned and done what is evil in

> your sight, so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment. (Psalm 51:3-4 ESV)

People: Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sin did my (*Psalm 51:5 ESV*)

mother conceive me.

#### **Silent Confession**

### **Assurance of Pardon**

I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. (Galatians 2:20 ESV)

### **Special Offering for Deacons Benevolence Fund**

### Offertory

"God Rested"

Homily

Rev. Wilson A. Shirley, Senior Pastor

"Hosanna! Delivered Up for Our Trespasses"

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Romans 4:25

# **Song of Preparation**

### **Nothing But The Blood**

What can wash away my sin/Nothing but the blood of Jesus. What can make me whole again/Nothing but the blood of Jesus!

Chorus: O precious is the flow/That makes me white as snow.

*No other fount I know/Nothing but the blood of Jesus!* 

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# **Corporate Profession of Faith**

Pastor: What is the Lord's Supper?

People: The Lord's Supper is a sacrament, wherein, by

giving and receiving bread and wine, according to Christ's appointment, his death is showed forth; and the worthy receivers are, not after a corporal and carnal manner, but by faith, made partakers of his body and blood, with all his benefits, to their

spiritual nourishment, and growth in grace.

### Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Please hold the elements so we can take them individually and corporately. Please feel free to pray, sing or quietly meditate as the elements are passed. Gluten-free bread is available, please let the elders know as they pass the bread. Children and guests who have not made a personal profession of faith in Christ and have not become a communing member of this (or some other) church are welcome to stay and watch but please do not partake. (1 Corinthians 11:23-30)

#### **Behold The Lamb**

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away

Slain for us - and we remember

The promise made that all who come in faith

Find forgiveness at the cross.

So we share in this bread of life/And we drink of His sacrifice

As a sign of our bonds of peace/Around the table of the King.

The body of our Savior Jesus Christ

Torn for you - eat and remember

The wounds that heal, the death that brings us life

Paid the price to make us one.

So we share in this bread of life / And we drink of His sacrifice

As a sign of our bonds of love/Around the table of the King.

The blood that cleanses every stain of sin

Shed for you - drink and remember

He drained death's cup that all may enter in

To receive the life of God.

So we share in this bread of life/And we drink of His sacrifice

As a sign of our bonds of grace / Around the table of the King.

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise

To respond - and to remember

Our call to follow in the steps of Christ

As His body here on earth.

As we share in His suffering/We proclaim Christ will come again!

And we'll join in the feast of heaven/Around the table of the King.

"Behold The Lamb (Communion Hymn)" | Words and Music by Keith and Kristyn Getty & Stuart Townend© 2007 Thankyou Music

# **Song of Response**

#### Man of Sorrows What a Name

"Man of Sorrows," what a name/For the Son of God who came.

Ruined sinners to reclaim/Hallelujah! what a Savior!

Bearing shame and scoffing rude/In my place condemned He stood;

Sealed my pardon with His blood/Hallelujah! what a Savior!

Guilty, vile, and helpless, we/Spotless Lamb of God was He;

Full atonement—can it be/Hallelujah! what a Savior!

Lifted up was He to die/"It is finished!" was His cry; Now in heaven exalted high/Hallelujah! what a Savior!

When He comes, our glorious King/All His ransomed home to bring, Then anew this song we'll sing/Hallelujah! what a Savior!

"Man of Sorrows" | Words & Music: Philip Paul Bliss

### **Benediction**

#### Please join us Resurrection Day!

1st Worship Service at 8:30am Easter Brunch in the Family Life Center at 9:45am 2nd Worship Service at 11:00am

#### Flower the Cross

We will continue the tradition started last year of decorating a large cross Easter morning on the lawn in front of the sanctuary. Please bring cut flowers from your yard, or that you purchase, to Flower-the-Cross! This will be a beautiful symbol to remind us of the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord and to show the beauty of the cross to our congregation and our neighbors. Please bring flowers before the Easter Service that you attend and simply put them in the cross. As you participate in this tradition with your family, remember and perhaps recite the wonderful truth from Romans 4:25.

#### Deacon's Benevolence Fund

The Deacon's Benevolence Fund supports our missions and benevolence ministry assisting our members in times of need, and from time to time, people and groups outside our congregation with special or emergency needs.

#### **God Rested**

So they took His body down/The man who said He was the resurrection and the life Was lifeless on the ground now/The sky was red as blood along the blade of night As the Sabbath fell they shrouded Him in linen/They dressed Him like a wound The rich man and the women/They laid Him in the tomb

Six days shall you labor/the seventh is the Lord's/In six He made the earth and all the heavens But He rested on the seventh/God rested/He said that it was finished And the seventh day, He blessed it/God rested

So they laid their hopes away/They buried all their dreams about the kingdom He proclaimed And they sealed them in the grave/As a holy silence fell on all Jerusalem

But the Pharisees were restless/Pilate had no peace And Peter's heart was reckless/Mary couldn't sleep

The holy day was done and all creation waited

But God rested

Six days shall you labor/The seventh is the Lord's
In six He made the earth and all the heavens
But He rested on the seventh/God rested
He worked 'til it was finished/And the seventh day, He blessed it
He said that it was good/And the seventh day, He blessed it/God rested
The sun went down/The Sabbath faded

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