

Good Friday

# Good Friday Worship

March 25, 2016

7:00 pm

# **Preparation for Worship**

Worshipers are invited to enter in silence.

Before you take your seat, please light three candles around the cross.

# **Procession of Light**

Please stand as the Christ candle and the cross enter our worship space.

#### We Choose to Follow

Anne Bills and Debbie Jacobs

some shout hosanna
some shout crucify
some shout Jesus
some shout Barabbas
some wave palms

some wave palms
some shake their fists

today we choose...

some break bread some break silence some proclaim Jesus some deny Jesus some carry the cross some run from the cross today we choose...

some are angry
some rejoice
some anoint with costly perfume
some complain at the waste
some like the light
some prefer the shadows
today we choose...

some weep
some conspire
some follow
some hide
some believe
some betray
today we choose

to shout for life
to follow the cross
to break bread
to hold belief
to trust love
and tell the world
we choose to follow Jesus

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died, my richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ, my God; all the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down. Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

# **A Last Supper**

Scripture Reading — Luke 22:1-23

Noah Hartsfield

But mark this — my betrayer is at hand

**Ed Rollins** 

Sharing the Supper

Prior to sharing the meal, please first dip your hands in the cleansing waters, a symbol of our Baptism and Christ's forgiveness. In all our grief and fear we turn to you.

O God, you know all that we think or do,
you know the pain we put each other through.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, grant us peace.

Help us to put aside the angry word, the clenching fist, the wish and will to hurt Teach us the way in which love best is served. Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, grant us peace.

You did not even spare your only Son.

He lived our griefs and bore all evil done,
but through his cross, redemption has been won.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, grant us peace.

God, when we suffer all that we can bear, then let us know that you in truth are near and will not leave us lost in all our fear. Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, grant us peace.

### **Prayer In the Garden**

Scripture Reading — Luke 22:39-54

Mark Thomas

Pray that you may be spared the hour of testing

Movement to the Cross

Please gather around the cross in silent prayer and extinguish one candle.

#### A Crown of Thorns

Scripture Reading — Mark 15:1-21a

Anne Bills

When they finished their mockery, they crucified him

Movement to the Cross

A small representation of a thorn was on your chair when you arrived. Please take this "thorn" and weave it into the crown on the table behind the base of the cross. Then, extinguish one candle before returning to your seat.

"O Sacred Head, Now Wounded"

O sacred head, now wounded, with grief and shame weighed down, now scornfully surrounded with thorns, thine only crown:
O sacred head, what glory, what bliss till now was thine;
yet, though despised and gory, I joy to call thee mine.

What thou, my Lord, hast suffered was all for sinners' gain; mine, mine was the transgression, but thine the deadly pain.

Lo, here I fall, my Savior! 'Tis I deserve thy place; look on me with thy favor, and grant to me thy grace.

What language shall I borrow to thank thee, dearest friend, for this thy dying sorrow, thy pity without end?

O make me thine forever; and should I fainting be,
Lord, let me never, never outlive my love to thee.

## **Darkness** — The Temple Curtain Torn

Scripture Reading — Luke 23:32-47

Mark Thomas

The sun's light failed

Movement to the Cross

Take the black strip of cloth found on your chair, place it on the cross, and extinguish one candle.

And With These Words, He Died

The Christ Candle Is Removed

**Depart In Silence** 

Worshipers are asked to follow the Christ candle as it is removed.



# Worship Participants:

Ed Rollins, Associate Pastor Colleen Ostercamp, Pianist and Organist

# Readers:

Anne Bills Noah Hartsfield Debbie Jacobs Mark Thomas

# Vocalists:

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