

Good Friday



WELCOME TO FOREST HILLS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Friday, April 7, 2023
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GATHERED BY GOD

Please lend your voice to text in bold.

* Rise in body or spirit

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CENTERING MUSIC

In Paradisum by Charles Callahan
Taiki Azuma, Flute

*OPENING SENTENCES

One: In the shadow of our suffering

All: is the suffering of Jesus.

One: In the shadow of our weakness

All: is the vulnerability of the Christ.

One: In the shadow of our pain

All: is the God who cried out.

One: We are never rejected.

All: We are never left alone.

MEDITATION

Come With Me by Patti Drennan
Christopher Kiser, Soloist

*Come with Me to the sea of Galilee;
Come with Me, come apart with Me.
Come with Me, leave the multitude;
Come with Me to a place of solitude.*

*Come with Me, watch and pray.
Come with Me for soon I go;
But I will leave My spirit to guide and comfort you,
And I will come again for you.*

*Come with Me to Gethsemane;
Come with Me, come and pray with Me.
Come with Me, as I am betrayed;
Come with Me, see My Father's will obeyed.*

*Come with Me, watch and pray.
Come with Me for soon I go;
But I will leave My spirit to guide and comfort you,
And I will come again for you.*

*Come with Me, come to Calvary;
Come with Me as I do My Father's will.
Come with Me, see Me lifted up;
Come with Me as I drink death's cup.*

*Come with Me, watch and pray.
Come with Me for soon I go;
But I will leave My spirit to guide and comfort you,
And I will come again for you.*

EVENING PRAYER

*HYMN

#206 *This Is the Night*

THE SERVICE OF TENEBRAE

THE BETRAYAL

THE MESSAGE

Luke 22:1-6

RUMINATIONS OF JUDAS

*I hear the Savior say,
"Thy strength indeed is small,
Child of weakness, watch and pray,
Find in Me thine all in all."*

*[Refrain]
Jesus paid it all,
All to Him I owe;
Sin had left a crimson stain,
He washed it white as snow.*

*Lord, now indeed I find
Thy pow'r and Thine alone,
Can change the leper's spots
And melt the heart of stone. [Refrain]*

*For nothing good have I
Where-by Thy grace to claim;
I'll wash my garments white
In the blood of Calvary's Lamb. [Refrain]*

*And when, before the throne,
I stand in Him complete,
"Jesus died my soul to save,"
My lips shall still repeat. [Refrain]*

FIRST CANDLE EXTINGUISHED

JESUS IN THE GARDEN

IN HIS OWN BLOOD

PSALM 31:1-6

One: In you, Lord, I have taken refuge; let me never be put to shame; deliver me in your righteousness.

All: Turn your ear to me, come quickly to my rescue;

One: be my rock of refuge, a strong fortress to save me.

All: Since you are my rock and my fortress, for the sake of your name lead and guide me.

One: Keep me free from the trap that is set for me, for you are my refuge.

All: Into your hands I commit my spirit; deliver me, Lord, my faithful God.

MEDITATION

When You Prayed Beneath the Trees by Lloyd Larson

Taiki Azuma, Oboe/Flute

Hannah Speaks, Cello

*When you prayed beneath the trees,
it was for me, O Lord;
when you cried upon your knees,
how could it be, O Lord?
When in blood and sweat and tears
you dismissed your final fears,
when you faced the soldiers' spears,
you stood for me, O Lord.
When their triumph looked complete,
it was for me, O Lord,
when it seemed like your defeat,
they could not see, O Lord!
When you faced the mob alone
you were silent as a stone,
and a tree became your throne;
you came for me, O Lord.
When you stumbled up the road,
you walked for me, O Lord,
when you took your deadly load,
that heavy tree, O Lord;
When they lifted you on high,
and they nailed you up to die,
and when darkness filled the sky,
it was for me, O Lord.*

SECOND CANDLE IS EXTINGUISHED

SCRIPTURE

Luke 22:47-53

BETRAYED BY JUDAS ACTION

READING/PRAYER

Holding Our Lives Before God

HYMN

Ah, Holy Jesus (Insert)

THIRD CANDLE EXTINGUISHED

SCRIPTURE

Luke 22:54-62

PETER'S ACQUIESCENCE

– SILENCE –

FOURTH CANDLE EXTINGUISHED

SCRIPTURE

John 18:28-40

THE QUESTIONING

MEDITATION

O Sacred Head Now Wounded arr. Joel Raney
Hannah Speaks, Cello

*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 language shall I borrow to thank thee, dearest Friend,
for this, thy dying sorrow, thy pity without end?
Oh, make me thine forever, and should I fainting be,
Lord, let me never, never outlive my love to thee.*

FIFTH CANDLE EXTINGUISHED

SCRIPTURE

John 19:1-12

PLEASE THE MASSES

From then on, Pilate tried to set Jesus free, but the Jews kept shouting, "If you let this man go, you are no friend to Caesar. Anyone who claims to be a king opposes Caesar."

Pilate: What is it this man did to you?

Congregation: Cruuussssiiffyyy

Pilate: I have found him guilty of nothing.

Congregation: Cruuussssiiffyyy

Pilate: He is not a revolutionary.

Congregation: Cruuussssiiffyyy

Pilate: He is not prophet.

Congregation: Cruuussssiiffyyy

Pilate: He is a danger to no one.

Congregation: Cruuussssiiffyyy

Pilate: I have given you Barabbas.

Congregation: Cruuussssiiffyyy

Pilate: What has this man done?

Congregation: Cruuussssiiffyyy

Pilate: I will whip him! Will that satisfy you?

Congregation: Cruuussssiiffyyy

Pilate: But what has he done?

Congregation: Cruuussssiiffyyy

Pilate: There is no need to crucify him!

Congregation: Cruuussssiiffyyy

Pilate: What has he done??

Congregation: Cruuussssiiffyyy

Pilate: Fine! He is yours!

Congregation: Cruuussssiiffyyy

Pilate: I wash my hands of his blood!

Congregation: Cruuussssiiffyyy

Pilate: This is not my doing! You will take responsibility for his death!

MEDITATION

What Wondrous Love Is This arr. Douglas Wagner

*What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul!*

SIXTH CANDLE EXTINGUISHED

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 27:27-31

SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 53:3-6

MEDITATION

Forsaken by Dan Forrest
Taiki Azuma, Soprano Saxophone

*“How long, O God, will You neglect My prayer?
Will You forget these tears of dark despair?
Yet not My will, but Yours alone be done:
Forsake not man, but Me—Your sinless Son.
I, Christ the Son, obey Your great command,
Enduring punishment for sinful man.
As Son and silent Lamb, I choose this path:
Accept rejection to appease Your wrath.”*

*“O why, My God, have You forsaken Me?
Why have You now refused My final plea?
Though I cry out in sorrow, pain, and fear,
You turn Your back; in silence, disappear.
I, Christ the Son, bear all their sin alone,
Embracing judgment from Your glorious throne.
As Son and spotless Lamb, I shed My blood
To bring them boldly to Your face, My God.”*

SEVENTH CANDLE EXTINGUISHED

SCRIPTURE

John 19:28-37

PRAYER

EXTINGUISHING THE LIGHT

REFLECTION

MEDITATION

Upon A Sinner's Cross by Lee Dengler

*Assembled on Golgotha's hill,
An emblem of great loss,
Now hangs the dying Son of God
Upon a sinner's cross.*

*In concert, raised against the sun,
The three were left to die,
'Twas thief and thief and Righteous One
Beneath the morning sky.*

*[Refrain]
Kyrie eleison! Kyrie eleison!
Upon a guilty sinner's cross,
There hangs God's perfect Son,
There hangs God's perfect Son.*

*The purity of heaven's Lamb,
Depravity of thieves.
Two children born of Abraham,
One curses, one believes. [Refrain]*

*Forever pressed into our minds,
This image of great loss:
The Son of God for sinners dies
Upon a sinner's cross. [Refrain]*

EIGHTH CANDLE EXTINGUISHED

SCRIPTURE

John 19:38-42

MEDITATION

Eternal Life by Craig Courtney

*“For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son,
that whosoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life.
For God sent not His Son to condemn the world,
but that the world might be saved through Him.” John 3:16-17*

NINTH CANDLE EXTINGUISHED

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 27:51-54

BROKEN

– SILENCE –

TENTH CANDLE EXTINGUISHED

MEDITATION

Shifting Blame

A PRAYER OF RESPONSE

ELEVENTH CANDLE EXTINGUISHED

MEDITATION

Surely He Has Borne Our Grief by Mark Hayes
Taiki Azuma, Baritone Saxophone

*Surely He has borne our griefs
And carried our sorrows;
He was wounded for our transgressions,
He was bruised for our iniquity;
The punishment that brought us peace was upon Him,
And by His wounds we are healed.
We all like sheep have gone astray;
Each of us has turned to his own way;
And the Lord has laid on Him the iniquity of us all.*

CHRIST CANDLE EXTINGUISHED

BELL TOLL 33 TIMES

SOLO

Were You There

*Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?*

*Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?*

*Were you there when they pierced him in the side?
Were you there when they pierced him in the side?
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they pierced him in the side?*

*Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?*

LEAVE IN SILENCE

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A WORD FOR VISITORS

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