



WESTMINSTER
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Good Friday

April 2, 2021

12:00 P.M.

The Prelude

O Love of God
(Hymn #240)

Ms. Bertha Dykstra

What Wondrous Love Is This
(Hymn #343, arr. Limbaugh)

The Welcome and Announcements

† The Call to Worship

Isaiah 53:4-6

Leader: Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; he was wounded for our transgressions; he was bruised for our iniquities.

All: All we like sheep have gone astray; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

† The Hymn

Beneath the Cross of Jesus

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† The Invocation

The Suffering

Matthew 27:1-31

The Hymn

Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed

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The Crucifixion

Matthew 27:32-44

The Hymn

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

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The Death and Burial

Matthew 27:45-56

The Homily and Prayer

Mr. David Hammond

“It Is Finished”
Hebrews 10:1-14

Church Bible, pg. 1006

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† The Benediction



*The Congregation is asked to leave the service in silence today
but return in joyous hope for morning worship this Sunday at 9:30 am.*

Beneath the Cross of Jesus

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1. Be - neath the cross of Je - sus I fain would take my stand,
 2. Up - on the cross of Je - sus mine eye at times can see
 3. I take, O cross, thy shad - ow for my a - bid - ing place:

the shad - ow of a might - y Rock with - in a wea - ry land;
 the ver - y dy - ing form of One who suf - fered there for me:
 I ask no oth - er sun - shine than the sun - shine of his face;

a home with - in the wil - der - ness, a rest up - on the way,
 and from my strick - en heart with tears two won - ders I con - fess,
 con - tent to let the world go by, to know no gain nor loss;

from the burn - ing of the noon - tide heat and the bur - den of the day.
 the won - ders of re - deem - ing love and my un - wor - thi - ness.
 my sin - ful self my on - ly shame, my glo - ry all the cross.

THE PASSION AND ATONING DEATH OF CHRIST

and sin - ners, plunged be - neath that flood, lose all their guilt - y stains.
 and there have I, as vile as he, washed all my sins a - way.
 • re - deem - ing love has been my theme, and shall be 'til I die.
 when this poor lisp - ing, stam - m'ring tongue lies si - lent in the grave.
 'til all the ran - somed church of God be saved to sin no more.

William Cowper, 1771; mod.

CLEANSING FOUNTAIN 8.6.8.6.6.6.8.6.
 Lowell Mason, 1830

Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed

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1. A - las! and did my Sav - ior bleed, and did my Sov - 'reign die!
 2. Was it for crimes that I had done he groaned up - on the tree?
 3. Well might the sun in dark - ness hide, and shut his glo - ries in,
 4. Thus might I hide my blush - ing face while his dear cross ap - pears;
 5. But drops of grief can ne'er re - pay the debt of love I owe;

Would he de - vote that sa - cred head for such a worm as I?
 A - maz - ing pit - y! Grace un - known! And love be - yond de - gree!
 • when Christ, the might - y Mak - er, died for man the crea - ture's sin.
 dis - solve my heart in thank - ful - ness, and melt mine eyes in tears.
 here, Lord, I give my - self a - way, 'tis all that I can do.

Isaac Watts, 1707
 Alt. 1961

MARTYRDOM C.M.
 Hugh Wilson, 1800
 Arr. Robert A. Smith, 1825

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When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

1. When I sur - vey the won - drous cross on which the
 2. For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the
 3. See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sor - row and
 4. Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were a

Prince of glo - ry died, my rich - est gain I
 death of Christ my God: all the vain things that
 love flow min - gled down: did e'er such love and
 pres - ent far too small; love so a - maz - ing,

count but loss, and pour con - tempt on all my pride.
 charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to his blood.
 sor - row meet, or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
 so di - vine, de - mands my soul, my life, my all.

What Wondrous Love Is This

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1. What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul, what
 2. When I was sink-ing down, sink-ing down, sink-ing down, when
 3. To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing, to
 4. And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on, and

won-drous love is this, O my soul! What won-drous love is
 I was sink-ing down, sink-ing down; when I was sink-ing
 God and to the Lamb, I will sing; to God and to the
 when from death I'm free, I'll sing on; and when from death I'm

this that caused the Lord of bliss to bear the dread-ful curse for my
 down be-neath God's righ-teous frown, Christ laid a-side his crown for my
 Lamb, who is the great I AM, while mil-lions join the theme, I will
 free, I'll sing and joy-ful be, and through e-ter-ni-ty I'll sing

soul, for my soul, to bear the dread-ful curse for my soul!
 soul, for my soul, Christ laid a-side his crown for my soul!
 sing, I will sing, while mil-lions join the theme, I will sing!
 on, I'll sing on, and through e-ter-ni-ty I'll sing on!

Home Worship Guide

Beloved congregation,

The ongoing coronavirus pandemic is affecting every family, business, and institution in our country. Even churches like ours are not exempt from its life-altering influence. As you know, Westminster Presbyterian Church has a deep commitment to the Bible-mandated practice of corporate worship on the Lord's Day. As much as we would love to continue assembling as a unified body every week, we know it is necessary to do our part to protect the members of this body and the community around us by honoring social distancing recommendations. Therefore, our parishioners will need to worship with us corporately via Livestream until further notice.

One of the benefits of being able to worship together in our beautiful sanctuary is that it naturally engenders a corporate atmosphere of reverence mingled with joy. Visible markers of corporate reverence include our rising together during the invocation, the offering up of solemn prayers, periods of sustained silence, and attentive listening. Visible markers of corporate joy include the vigorous singing of praises, heartfelt confession of creeds, delighting in the assurance of pardon, and offering up of tithes and offerings.

Our goal during this challenging season is to retain as much of this corporate worship experience as we possibly can. Please use the suggestions in this guide to help you toward this end.

As you follow along with the streamed worship, we encourage you to worship at home just as you would at church. For this to happen, you will need to be intentional about the following:

- Find a place in your home that is devoid of unnecessary distractions. Be careful about not allowing your smartphone, tablet, radio, pets, magazines, or anything else to divert your attention from worshipping the Triune God in Spirit and truth.
- Have your Bible and worship bulletin readily accessible. We have slightly modified our bulletin to facilitate easy viewing and printing at home. We strongly recommend having printed copies of the bulletin for your family members, especially the children.
- Dress appropriately as a means of rightly framing your mind toward the task at hand. For most people, it will be difficult to foster a serious and contemplative attitude of worship if they are lounging around in pajamas. How we dress has a profound influence on our behavior.
- Unless providentially hindered, be sure to stand with the congregation when asked to do so. Standing will unite your posture with the gathered assembly and also serve as a natural deterrent to laziness.
- Audibly participate in all corporate prayers, confessions, and singing. The purpose of our Livestream worship service is to glorify God, not to be entertained. There is no such thing as a "passenger" in the worship of God. He has created everything to be participating actively in his praise (Psalm 148).
- Participate in pastoral prayers by bowing your head, closing your eyes, and agreeing silently with the prayers offered up to God. Don't use this as a time to recharge your coffee cups.
- Every Livestream service will still contain an offertory hymn. We urge you to use this time to make an online offering or write a check for later mailing. Even though we cannot meet together, our church and missionaries are still very much dependent on your regular tithes and offerings.
- Participate in sermons by actively listening and engaging with the text of Holy Scripture.
- In sum, approach this Livestream worship service precisely as you would if you were present in the sanctuary.

Beloved, these are challenging times, but they afford us a unique opportunity to express our corporate solidarity as God's redeemed people. Many of our friends, neighbors, and co-workers remain blind to the glorious Gospel of our crucified and risen Savior. The confusion and fear of the unbelievers around us will likely increase during this season of uncertainty. Please invite them to join us in corporate worship. In doing so, you will be offering real hope to their imperiled souls.

~Pastor Joe