GOOD FRIDAY COMMUNION SERVICE MARCH 29, 2024 @ 11:00 am THE CRUCIFIXION ACCORDING TO WITNESSES SELDOM HEARD

PRELUDES

Benedictus – François Couperin Beneath the Cross of Jesus – Don Hustad

CALL TO WORSHIP

PROCESSION OF THE CROSS

CHOIR O Come and Mourn – Hal Hopson

THE HAMMERING OF THE NAILS

HYMN #225 Go to Dark Gethsemane (REDHEAD)

A HOMEMAKER SPEAKS (based on Mark 14:13 – 15a)

CHOIR The Upper Room – Don Besig

"the candle of Hope is extinguished"

A SERVANT-GIRL SPEAKS (based on Matthew 26:69-75)

PILATE'S WIFE SPEAKS (based on Matthew 27:15-19)

CHOIR In Pilate's Court the Savior Stands – Joseph Martin

SIMON OF CYRENE SPEAKS (based on Luke 23:36)

"the candle of Peace is extinguished"

THE WOMAN WHO OFFERED DRUGGED WINE SPEAKS (based on Mark 15:22-23)

CHOIR Face the Cross – David Lantz III

"the candle of Joy is extinguished"

MARY MAGDALENE SPEAKS (based on John 19:25b)

JOHN SPEAKS (based on John 19:25-27)

"the candle of Love is extinguished"

MARY, THE MOTHER OF JESUS, SPEAKS (based on John 19:25-27)

CHOIR Don't Listen to the Hammer Ring – Douglas Wagner

JOSEPH OF ARIMATHEA SPEAKS (based on John 19:38-41)

"the Christ candle is extinguished"

COMMUNION HYMN #221 O Sacred Head, Now Wounded (PASSION CHORALE)

Minister of Pastoral and Spiritual Care

Wilma Wiens

Worship Leader

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Minister of Music

Margot Sim

Dramatic Readings

Homemaker – Diane Hiebert Murphy
Servant Girl – Sophie Janzen
Pilate's Wife – Belinda Knopf
Simon of Cyrene – Matt Janzen
Woman Who Offered Drugged Wine – Hilda Dick
Mary Magdalene – Maggie Klassen
John – Ken Hiebert
Mary, the Mother of Jesus – Amanda Janzen
Joseph of Arimathea – Gary Thiessen

Oboe

Chelsey Hiebert

Vocal Soloists

Lindsay MacKenzie David Watson

Procession of the Cross

Gary Thiessen, James Flemington, Sophie Janzen

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You and your friends are warmly invited to attend our EASTER CELEBRATION SERVICE on Easter Sunday, March 31 @ 10:30 am.

Please also plan to attend our EASTER BREAKFAST before the Easter Sunday Service @ 9:00 am in the Fellowship Hall on the lower level

GO TO DARK GETHSEMANE (James Montgomery)

Go to dark Gethsemane, you that feel the tempter's power; Your Redeemer's conflict see, watch with Him one bitter hour, Turn not from His griefs away; learn of Jesus Christ to pray.

Follow to the judgment hall, view the Lord of life arraigned; O the wormwood and the gall! O the pangs His soul sustained! Shun not suffering, shame or loss; learn of him to bear the cross.

Calvary's mournful mountain climb, there, adoring at his feet, Mark that miracle of time, God's own sacrifice complete. "It is finished!" hear Him cry; learn of Jesus Christ to die.

O SACRED HEAD NOW WOUNDED (Bernard of Clairvaux)

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