

Grace United Church of Christ



Friday, April 10, 2020
7PM

ONLINE VIRTUAL SERVICE

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Good Friday

We Gather

Prelude "Were You There?" Jonas Dawson
Traditional Spiritual, arr. Mary McDonald

Call to Worship

Blessed be the name of the Lord our God

Who redeems us from sin and death

For us and our salvation Christ became obedient unto death, even death on a cross.

Blessed be the Name of the Lord

Opening Hymn What Wondrous Love is This? NCH # 223 (insert)

Prayer

We Listen

First Lesson Isaiah 52: 13-53: 12

Psalter Psalm 22: 1-18

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

Why are you so far from helping me, from the words of my groaning?

**O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer;
and by night, but find no rest.**

John 19:17; Rev. 5:13

19th century, United States; alt.
First published in Mercer's Cluster, 1836

1 What won-drous love is this, O my soul! O my soul! What
2 To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing, to
3 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
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 Christ should come in bliss to bear the heav-y cross 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 heav-y cross 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!

Yet you are holy,
enthroned on the praises of Israel.

**In you our ancestors trusted;
they trusted, and you delivered them.**

To you they cried, and were saved;
in you they trusted, and were not put to shame.

**But I am a worm, and not human;
scorned by others, and despised by the people.**

All who see me mock at me;
they make mouths at me, they shake their heads;

**“Commit your cause to the Lord; let him deliver—
let him rescue the one in whom he delights!”**

Yet it was you who took me from the womb;
you kept me safe on my mother’s breast.

**On you I was cast from my birth,
and since my mother bore me you have been my God.**

Do not be far from me,
for trouble is near
and there is no one to help.

**Many bulls encircle me,
strong bulls of Bashan surround me;**

they open wide their mouths at me,
like a ravening and roaring lion.

**I am poured out like water,
and all my bones are out of joint;
my heart is like wax;
it is melted within my breast;**

my mouth is dried up like a potsherd,
and my tongue sticks to my jaws;
you lay me in the dust of death.

**For dogs are all around me;
a company of evildoers encircles me.
My hands and feet have shriveled;**

I can count all my bones.
They stare and gloat over me;

**they divide my clothes among themselves,
and for my clothing they cast lots.**

Second Reading

Hebrews 4: 14-16, 5: 7-9

Gospel

John 19: 17-30

Silent Reflection

We Respond

Adoration of the Cross

This is the blessed and holy Cross
On which hung the savior of the world
Come, let us worship and bow down

We adore you O Christ and we praise you;

Because by your holy cross, you have redeemed the world.

May God be merciful to us and bless us,

Shed the light of God's countenance on us and come to us.

We adore you O Christ and we praise you;

Because by your holy cross, you have redeemed the world.

If we have died with him, we shall also live with him;

If we endure we shall also reign with him.

We adore you O Christ and we praise you;

Because by your holy cross, you have redeemed the world.

O Savior of the world, who by your precious blood did redeem us: Help, save, pity and defend us, we pray, O Lord.

We adore you O Christ and we praise you;

Because by your holy cross, you have redeemed the world.

Silent Meditation

Hymn

"O Sacred Head, Now Wounded"

NCH # 226 (insert)

Devotions at the Cross

Response: **Holy God, Holy and Mighty**
 Holy and Immortal One
 Have mercy upon us.

Silence

The Lord's Prayer (in unison)

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on Earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

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Medieval Latin, attrib. to Bernard of Clairvaux (1091–1153)

German paraphr. by Paul Gerhardt, 1656

Transl. James W. Alexander, 1830; alt.

Isa. 53; John 19:1–3

1 O sa - cred Head, now wound - ed, with grief and shame weighed down,
2 What you, dear Sav - ior, suf - fered was all for sin - ners' gain;
3 What lan - guage shall I bor - row to thank you, dear - est friend;

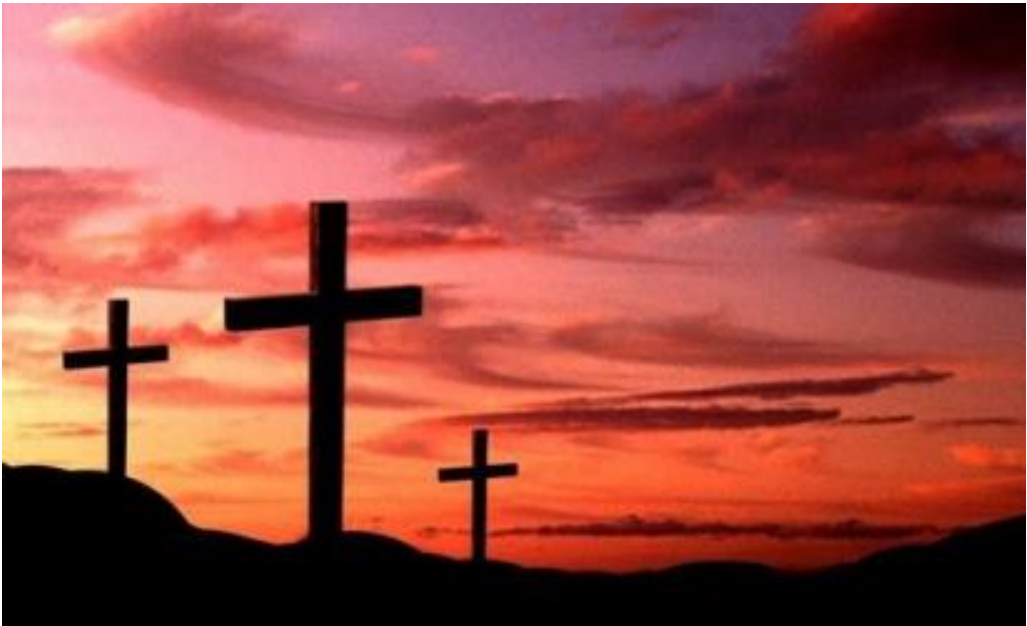
Now scorn - ful - ly sur - round - ed with thorns, your on - ly crown,
Mine, mine was the trans - gres - sion, but yours the dead - ly pain.
For this your dy - ing sor - row, your pit - y without end?

How pale you are with an - guish, with sore a - buse and scorn!
Lo, here I fall, my Sav - ior, for I de - serve your place;
May I be yours for - ev - er; and though my days be few,

How does your vis - age lan - guish which once was bright as morn!
Look on me with your fa - vor, O grant to me your grace.
O Sav - ior, let me nev - er out - live my love for you!

We are Sent

Concluding Prayer





Daily Bible Readings

Friday, April 10, 2020: Good Friday

Isaiah 52:13-53:12 • Psalm 22 • Hebrews 10:16-25 or
Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9 • John 18:1-19:42

Saturday, April 11, 2020: Holy Saturday

Job 14:1-14 or Lamentations 3:1-9, 19-24 • Psalm 31:1-4, 15-16 •
1 Peter 4:1-8 • Matthew 27:57-66 or John 19:38-42

Sunday, April 12, 2020: Easter Vigil

Old Testament Readings and Psalms

Genesis 1:1-2:4a and Psalm 136:1-9, 23-26

Genesis 7:1-5, 11-18; 8:6-18; 9:8-13
and Psalm 46

Genesis 22:1-18 and Psalm 16

Exodus 14:10-31; 15:20-21
and Exodus 15:1b-13, 17-18

Isaiah 55:1-11 and Isaiah 12:2-6

Baruch 3:9-15, 3:32-4:4 or Proverbs 8:1-8, 19-21; 9:4b-6 and Psalm 19

Ezekiel 36:24-28 and Psalm 42, 43

Ezekiel 37:1-14 and Psalm 143

Zephaniah 3:14-20 and Psalm 98

New Testament Reading and Psalm

Romans 6:3-11 and Psalm 114

Gospel

Matthew 28:1-10

Sunday, April 12, 2020: Resurrection of the Lord

Acts 10:34-43 or Jeremiah 31:1-6 • Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 •

Colossians 3:1-4 or Acts 10:34-43 • John 20:1-18 or Matthew 28:1-10

Sunday, April 12, 2020: Easter Evening

Isaiah 25:6-9 • Psalm 114 •

1 Corinthians 5:6b-8 • Luke 24:13-49



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SUNDAY WORSHIP – 11:00 AM

Holy Communion is celebrated on the first Sunday of every month.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Scripture Reader: ONLINE
Children's Message: N/A
Children's Church: N/A
Altar Guild: N/A

*If you would like to serve as a greeter, or host fellowship time after worship,
please add your name to the sign up sheet in the Good Shepherd Room.*

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