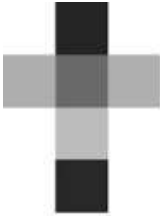


Welcome to the



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Good Friday Service 10th April 2020

This Service will be led by Rev. Irene Bom

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Evening Service

Introit: Music by Margriet & Daniela

Welcome

Hymn 378: Praise to the holiest in the height

1 Praise to the Holiest in the height,
and in the depth be praise, --
in all his words most wonderful,
most sure in all his ways.

2 O loving wisdom of our God!
when all was sin and shame,
a second Adam to the fight
and to the rescue came.

3 O wisest love! that flesh and blood,
which did in Adam fail,
should strive afresh against the foe,
should strive and should prevail.

4 O generous love! that he who smote
in Man, for man, the foe,
the double agony in Man
for man should undergo;

4 And in the garden secretly,
and on the Cross on high,
should teach his brethren, and inspire
to suffer and to die.

5 Praise to the Holiest in the height,
and in the depth be praise, --
in all his words most wonderful,
most sure in all his ways.

Opening Prayer

1. Mount of Olives: Luke 22: 39 - 46

39 Jesus went out as usual to the Mount of Olives, and his disciples followed him.

40 On reaching the place, he said to them, "Pray that you will not fall into temptation."

41 He withdrew about a stone's throw beyond them, knelt down and prayed,

42 "Father, if you are willing, take this cup from me; yet not my will, but yours be done."

43 An angel from heaven appeared to him and strengthened him.

44 And being in anguish, he prayed more earnestly, and his sweat was like drops of blood falling to the ground.

45 When he rose from prayer and went back to the disciples, he found them asleep, exhausted from sorrow.

46 "Why are you sleeping?" he asked them. "Get up and pray so that you will not fall into temptation."

Prayer

2. Judas' Kiss: Matt 26: 47 – 50

47 While he was still speaking, Judas, one of the Twelve, arrived. With him was a large crowd armed with swords and clubs, sent from the chief priests and the elders of the people.

48 Now the betrayer had arranged a signal with them: "The one I kiss is the man; arrest him."

49 Going at once to Jesus, Judas said, "Greetings, Rabbi!" and kissed him.

50 Jesus replied, "Do what you came for, friend." Then the men stepped forward, seized Jesus and arrested him.

Poem

3. Peter at the fireside: Luke 22: 54 – 62

- 54** Then seizing him, they led him away and took him into the house of the high priest. Peter followed at a distance.
- 55** And when some there had kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard and had sat down together, Peter sat down with them.
- 56** A servant girl saw him seated there in the firelight. She looked closely at him and said, "This man was with him."
- 57** But he denied it. "Woman, I don't know him," he said.
- 58** A little later someone else saw him and said, "You also are one of them." "Man, I am not!" Peter replied.
- 59** About an hour later another asserted, "Certainly this fellow was with him, for he is a Galilean."
- 60** Peter replied, "Man, I don't know what you're talking about!" Just as he was speaking, the rooster crowed.
- 61** The Lord turned and looked straight at Peter. Then Peter remembered the word the Lord had spoken to him: "Before the rooster crows today, you will disown me three times."
- 62** And he went outside and wept bitterly.

Reflection

Hymn MP 921: Purify my heart

- 1 Purify my heart,
let me be as gold and precious silver;
purify my heart,
let me be as gold, pure gold.
*Refiner's fire, my heart's one desire
is to be holy,
set apart for You, Lord;
I choose to be holy,
set apart for You, my Master,
ready to do Your will.*
- 2 Purify my heart,
cleanse me from within and make me holy;
purify my heart,
cleanse me from my sin, deep within.
Refiner's fire . . .

4. Pilate at the basin: Matt 27: 15 – 26

15 Now it was the governor's custom at the festival to release a prisoner chosen by the crowd.

16 At that time they had a well-known prisoner whose name was Jesus Barabbas.

17 So when the crowd had gathered, Pilate asked them, "Which one do you want me to release to you: Jesus Barabbas, or Jesus who is called the Messiah?"

18 For he knew it was out of self-interest that they had handed Jesus over to him.

19 While Pilate was sitting on the judge's seat, his wife sent him this message: "Don't have anything to do with that innocent man, for I have suffered a great deal today in a dream because of him."

20 But the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowd to ask for Barabbas and to have Jesus executed.

21 "Which of the two do you want me to release to you?" asked the governor. "Barabbas," they answered.

22 "What shall I do, then, with Jesus who is called the Messiah?" Pilate asked. They all answered, "Crucify him!"

23 "Why? What crime has he committed?" asked Pilate. But they shouted all the louder, "Crucify him!"

24 When Pilate saw that he was getting nowhere, but that instead an uproar was starting, he took water and washed his hands in front of the crowd. "I am innocent of this man's blood," he said. "It is your responsibility!"

25 All the people answered, "His blood is on us and on our children!"

26 Then he released Barabbas to them. But he had Jesus flogged, and handed him over to be crucified.

Reflection by Rev. Jimmy Brown: Now wash your hands!

5. The crowd cry 'crucify': John 19 : 1-16

1 Then Pilate took Jesus and had him flogged.

2 The soldiers twisted together a crown of thorns and put it on his head. They clothed him in a purple robe

3 and went up to him again and again, saying, "Hail, king of the Jews!" And they slapped him in the face.

4 Once more Pilate came out and said to the Jews gathered there, “Look, I am bringing him out to you to let you know that I find no basis for a charge against him.”

5 When Jesus came out wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe, Pilate said to them, “Here is the man!”

6 As soon as the chief priests and their officials saw him, they shouted, “Crucify! Crucify!” But Pilate answered, “You take him and crucify him. As for me, I find no basis for a charge against him.”

7 The Jewish leaders insisted, “We have a law, and according to that law he must die, because he claimed to be the Son of God.”

8 When Pilate heard this, he was even more afraid,

9 and he went back inside the palace. “Where do you come from?” he asked Jesus, but Jesus gave him no answer.

10 “Do you refuse to speak to me?” Pilate said. “Don’t you realize I have power either to free you or to crucify you?”

11 Jesus answered, “You would have no power over me if it were not given to you from above. Therefore the one who handed me over to you is guilty of a greater sin.”

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

13 When Pilate heard this, he brought Jesus out and sat down on the judge’s seat at a place known as the Stone Pavement (which in Aramaic is Gabbatha).

14 It was the day of Preparation of the Passover; it was about noon. “Here is your king,” Pilate said to the Jews.

15 But they shouted, “Take him away! Take him away! Crucify him!” “Shall I crucify your king?” Pilate asked. “We have no king but Caesar,” the chief priests answered.

16 Finally Pilate handed him over to them to be crucified. So the soldiers took charge of Jesus.

Meditation

Hymn: Hallelujah, my Father / MP 206

Hallelujah, my Father,
for giving us Your Son;
sending Him into the world
to be given up for men,
knowing we would bruise Him
and smite Him from the earth.

Hallelujah, my Father,
in His death is my birth;
Hallelujah, my Father,
in His life is my life.

6. Hammer blows: John 19: 17 – 22

17 Carrying his own cross, he went out to the place of the Skull (which in Aramaic is called Golgotha).

18 There they crucified him, and with him two others—one on each side and Jesus in the middle.

19 Pilate had a notice prepared and fastened to the cross. It read: JESUS OF NAZARETH, THE KING OF THE JEWS.

20 Many of the Jews read this sign, for the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city, and the sign was written in Aramaic, Latin and Greek.

21 The chief priests of the Jews protested to Pilate, “Do not write ‘The King of the Jews,’ but that this man claimed to be king of the Jews.”

22 Pilate answered, “What I have written, I have written.”

Prayer for others

Music: Jesu, Joy of Man’s Desiring
(Jan Hendrik and Daniela)

7. Curtain torn: Mark 15: 33 – 39

33 At noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon.

34 And at three in the afternoon Jesus cried out in a loud voice, “Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?” (which means “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”).

35 When some of those standing near heard this, they said, “Listen, he’s calling Elijah.”

36 Someone ran, filled a sponge with wine vinegar, put it on a staff, and offered it to Jesus to drink. “Now leave him alone. Let’s see if Elijah comes to take him down,” he said.

37 With a loud cry, Jesus breathed his last.

38 The curtain of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom.

39 And when the centurion, who stood there in front of Jesus, saw how he died, he said, "Surely this man was the Son of God!"

Commentary

Hymn 549: How deep the Father's love for us

- 1 How deep the Father's love for us,
how vast beyond all measure,
that He should give His only Son
to make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss –
the Father turns His face away,
as wounds which mar the chosen one
bring many sons to glory.

- 2 Behold the man upon a cross,
my sin upon His shoulders;
ashamed, I hear my mocking voice
call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held Him there
until it was accomplished;
His dying breath has brought me life –
I know that it is finished.

- 3 I will not boast in anything,
no gifts, no power, no wisdom;
but I will boast in Jesus Christ,
His death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from His reward?
I cannot give an answer,
but this I know with all my heart,
His wounds have paid my ransom.

Closing prayer

Closing responses

Music (Daniela and Margriet)

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For pastoral care or a visit by an Elder or Minister, contact your Elder, the Church Office or the Minister.

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What's on the agenda?

- Sunday 12^h April Easter Worship and Praise Service

Who's who Today

Minister: Rev. Irene Bom

Elder: Bob Hensen

Children's message: Rev. Irene Bom

Music: Margriet van Overbeeke & Daniela

Organist: Jan Hendrik van de Kamp

Bible Readers: various

Welcome: n.a.

Crèche: n.a.

Offering & Counting: n.a.

Door: n.a.

Beamer: n.a.

Recording: Stanley Murithi

Hospitality: n.a.

Flowers: n.a.

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