Good Friday

APRIL 7, 2023

WELCOME

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

CALL TO WORSHIP

Who has believed what we have heard?

And to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?

For he grew up before him like a young plant, and like a root out of the dry ground.

He had no form or majesty that we should look at him, nothing in his appearance that we should desire him.

He was despised and rejected by others; a man of suffering and acquainted with infirmity.

Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted

But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed.

Isaiah 53

SONG OF PRAISE *Living Hope*

Words and Music by Phil Wickham

How great the chasm that lay between us How high the mountain I could not climb In desperation, I turned to heaven And spoke your name into the night Then through the darkness
Your loving kindness
Tore through the shadows of my soul
The work is finished, the end is written
Jesus Christ, my living hope

Who could imagine so great a mercy?
What heart could fathom such boundless grace?
The God of ages stepped down from glory
To wear my sin and bear my shame

The cross has spoken, I am forgiven The king of kings calls me His own Beautiful savior, I'm yours forever Jesus Christ, my living hope

Hallelujah, praise the one who set me free Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me You have broken every chain There's salvation in your name Jesus Christ, my living hope

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PRAYERS OF INVOCATION

O Christ, who forsook no one but was forsaken by the closest of friends, and who committed no crime yet was sentenced to a criminal's death,

we enter your presence in awe and adoration.

On this day, centuries ago, you could have saved your life, but you refused to betray the purpose for which you had been born.

You had come into the world to love God and neighbor as yourself,

and when that love required you to shoulder a cross, you summoned the strength to bear it.

Today, O Christ, as we sing and pray about the cross, teach us its meaning once again and help us to take up our cross and follow you.

Assist us mercifully with your help,
O Lord God of our salvation,
that we may enter with joy
upon the contemplation of those mighty acts,
whereby you have given us life
through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

O God,

who for our redemption gave your only Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of our enemy: Grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection, now and for ever. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 51

A Psalm of David. When the prophet Nathan came to him after David had committed adultery with Bathsheba.

- Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions.
- Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin.
- ³ For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me.
- Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight; so you are right in your verdict and justified when you judge.
- Surely I was sinful at birth, sinful from the time my mother conceived me.
- Yet you desired faithfulness even in the womb; you taught me wisdom in that secret place.
- ⁷ Cleanse me with hyssop, and I will be clean; wash me, and I will be whiter than snow.
- Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones you have crushed rejoice.
- 9 Hide your face from my sins and blot out all my iniquity.
- 10 Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me.
- Do not cast me from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from me.
- Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.

- Then I will teach transgressors your ways, so that sinners will turn back to you.
- Deliver me from the guilt of bloodshed, O God, you who are God my Savior, and my tongue will sing of your righteousness.
- Open my lips, Lord, and my mouth will declare your praise.
- You do not delight in sacrifice, or I would bring it; you do not take pleasure in burnt offerings.
- My sacrifice, O God, is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart you, God, will not despise.
- May it please you to prosper Zion, to build up the walls of Jerusalem.
- Then you will delight in the sacrifices of the righteous, in burnt offerings offered whole; then bulls will be offered on your altar.

CONFESSIONAL PRAYER

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you: God is light; in him there is no darkness at all.

If we claim to have fellowship with him, yet walk in darkness, we lie and do not live by the truth.

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

SINGING TO ONE ANOTHER Jesus Paid It All

Words and Music by Kristian Stanfill

I hear the savior say
Thy strength indeed is small
Child of weakness watch and pray
Find in me thine all in all

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 power and thine alone Can and change the leper's spots And it melt the heart of stone

Jesus paid it all All to him I owe Sin had left a crimson stain He washed it white as snow

And when before the throne I stand in him complete Jesus died my soul to save My lips shall still repeat

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GOOD FRIDAY SERMON Danny Martin

COMMUNION

SONG OF RESPONSEYet Not I But Through Christ In Me

Words and Music by CityALight

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer There is no more for heaven now to give He is my joy, my righteousness, and freedom My steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus For my life is wholly bound to his Oh how strange and divine, I can sing, "All is mine" Yet not I, but through Christ in me

The night is dark but I am not forsaken For by my side, the Saviour he will stay I labour on in weakness and rejoicing For in my need, his power is displayed

To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me Through the deepest valley he will lead Oh the night has been won, and I shall overcome Yet not I, but through Christ in me

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven The future sure, the price it has been paid For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon And he was raised to overthrow the grave

To this I hold, my sin has been defeated Jesus now and ever is my plea Oh the chains are released, I can sing, "I am free" Yet not I, but through Christ in me

With every breath I long to follow Jesus For he has said that he will bring me home And day by day I know he will renew me Until I stand with joy before the throne To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus All the glory evermore to him When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat Yet not I, but through Christ in me

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