

Good Friday

April 10, 2020, 12:00 p.m.

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PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Let us prepare to worship God by reflecting on three reasons why we call this Friday “Good”:

Our sin must be extremely horrible. Nothing reveals the gravity of sin like the cross. If there was no way by which the righteous God could justly forgive our sin, except that He should bear it Himself in Christ, it must be serious indeed.

God’s love must be wonderful beyond comprehension. He pursued us even to the desolate anguish of the cross, where He bore our sin, guilt, judgment, and death. Oh the wonder of this—to know that God loves you!

Christ’s salvation must be a free gift to receive, not something we earn. He purchased it for us at the high price of His own life blood. So what is there left for us to pay? Absolutely nothing! May we never boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ!

Adapted from John Stott, “The Cross of Christ”



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PRELUDE: "Lamento from Suite"Denis Bédard

Samuel Metzger, organ

CHORAL MEDITATION: "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" Michael Engelhart

Salvator mundi, salva nos. *Savior of the world, save us.*

Qui per crucem et sanguinem, redemisti nos. *By Your cross and blood, redeem us.*

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 'til now was Thine. Yet, though despised and gory, I joy to call Thee mine.

Salvator mundi, salva nos. *Savior of the world, save us.* Qui per crucem et sanguinem. *By Your cross and blood.*

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.

What can wash away my sins, nothing but the blood of Jesus. What can make me whole again, nothing but the blood of Jesus.

Redimisti nos. *Redeem us.*

Jauna Ellis, Lizzy Young, Christy Young, Calvin Ellis, and Keith Young, vocalists; Michael Parsons, guitar

CALL TO WORSHIP.....David Bowen

HYMN: "Beneath the Cross of Jesus" ST. CHRISTOPHER

Words: Isaac Watts / Music: Lowell Mason; arr. Metzger / Galatians 6:14

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.

INVOCATION

JESUS AND THE COUNCIL

Luke 22:63-70

Now the men who were holding Jesus in custody were mocking him as they beat him. They also blindfolded him and kept asking him, "Prophecy! Who is it that struck you?" And they said many other things against him, blaspheming him. When day came, the assembly of the elders of the people gathered together, both chief priests and scribes. And they led him away

to their council, and they said, "If you are the Christ, tell us." But he said to them, "If I tell you, you will not believe, and if I ask you, you will not answer. But from now on the Son of Man shall be seated at the right hand of the power of God." So they all said, "Are you the Son of God, then?" And he said to them, "You say that I am."

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

HYMN: "What Wondrous Love Is This" WONDROUS LOVE

Words: Stith Mead / Music: William Walker / I John 3:1

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 caused the Lord of bliss to bear the dread-ful curse 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!
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!

JESUS AND PILATE

Luke 23:1-16

Then the whole company of them arose and brought him before Pilate. And they began to accuse him, saying, "We found this man misleading our nation and forbidding us to give tribute to Caesar, and saying that he himself is Christ, a king." And Pilate asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" And he answered him, "You have said so." Then Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowds, "I find no guilt in this man." But they were urgent, saying, "He stirs up the people, teaching throughout all Judea, from Galilee even to this place." When Pilate heard this, he asked whether the man was a Galilean. And when he learned that he belonged to Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him over to Herod, who was himself in Jerusalem at that time. When Herod saw Jesus, he was very glad, for he had long desired to see him, because he had heard about him, and he was

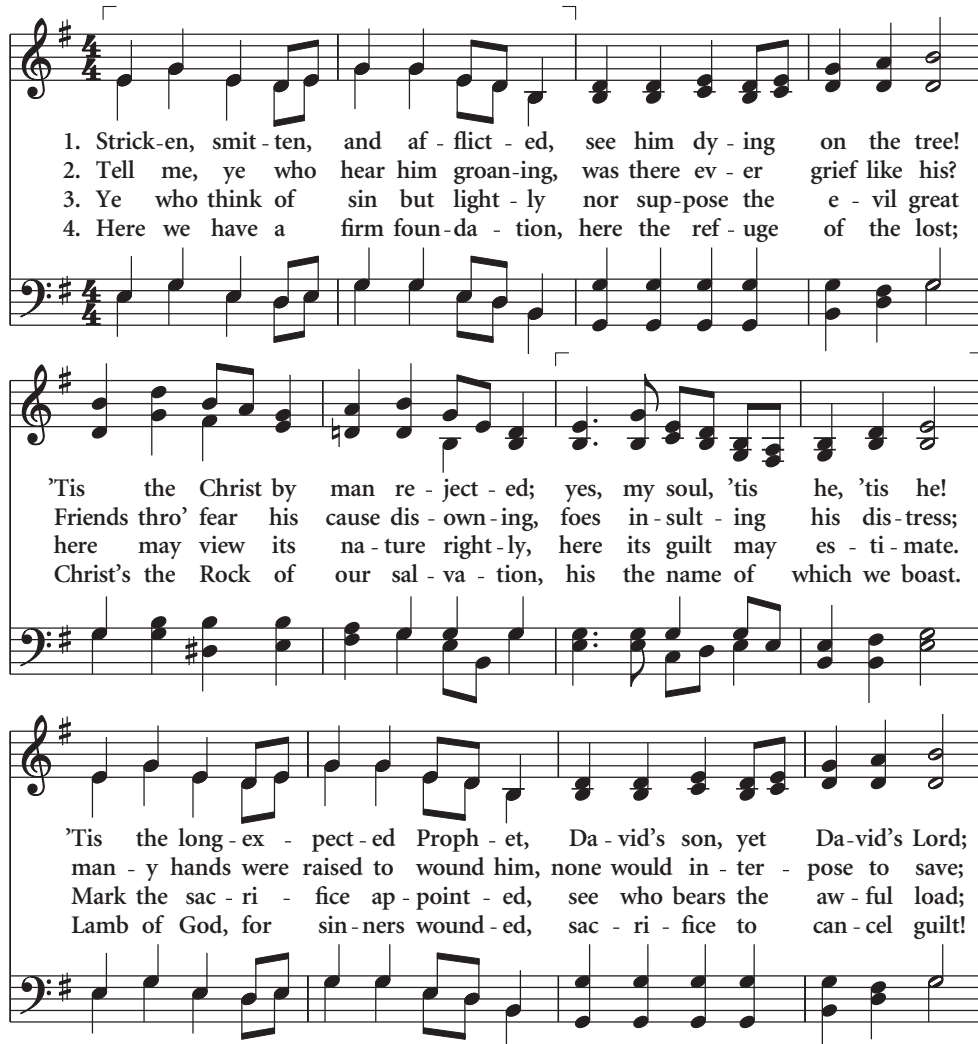
hoping to see some sign done by him. So he questioned him at some length, but he made no answer. The chief priests and the scribes stood by, vehemently accusing him. And Herod with his soldiers treated him with contempt and mocked him. Then, arraying him in splendid clothing, he sent him back to Pilate. And Herod and Pilate became friends with each other that very day, for before this they had been at enmity with each other. Pilate then called together the chief priests and the rulers and the people, and said to them, "You brought me this man as one who was misleading the people. And after examining him before you, behold, I did not find this man guilty of any of your charges against him. Neither did Herod, for he sent him back to us. Look, nothing deserving death has been done by him. I will therefore punish and release him."

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Thanks be to God.

HYMN: "Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted" RESTORATION

Words: Thomas Kelly / Music: William Walker / Isaiah 53:4

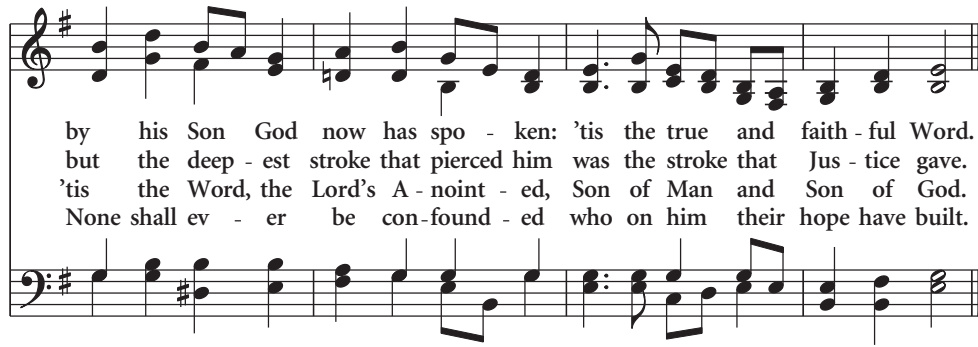


1. Strick-en, smit-ten, and af-flict-ed, see him dy-ing on the tree!
2. Tell me, ye who hear him groan-ing, was there ev-er grief like his?
3. Ye who think of sin but light-ly nor sup-pose the e-vil great
4. Here we have a firm foun-da-tion, here the ref-uge of the lost;

'Tis the Christ by man re-ject-ed; yes, my soul, 'tis he, 'tis he!
Friends thro' fear his cause dis-own-ing, foes in-sult-ing his dis-tress;
here may view its na-ture right-ly, here its guilt may es-ti-mate.
Christ's the Rock of our sal-va-tion, his the name of which we boast.

'Tis the long-ex-pect-ed Proph-et, Da-vid's son, yet Da-vid's Lord;
man-y hands were raised to wound him, none would in-ter-pose to save;
Mark the sac-ri-fice ap-point-ed, see who bears the aw-ful load;
Lamb of God, for sin-ners wound-ed, sac-ri-fice to can-cel guilt!

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JESUS AND THE CROWD

Luke 23:18-25; 32-38

But they all cried out together, “Away with this man, and release to us Barabbas”—a man who had been thrown into prison for an insurrection started in the city and for murder. Pilate addressed them once more, desiring to release Jesus, but they kept shouting, “Crucify, crucify him!” A third time he said to them, “Why? What evil has he done? I have found in him no guilt deserving death. I will therefore punish and release him.” But they were urgent, demanding with loud cries that he should be crucified. And their voices prevailed. So Pilate decided that their demand should be granted. He released the man who had been thrown into prison for insurrection and murder, for whom they asked, but he delivered Jesus over to their will.

Two others, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. And when they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified him, and the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. And Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.” And they cast lots to divide his garments. And the people stood by, watching, but the rulers scoffed at him, saying, “He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!” The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine and saying, “If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!” There was also an inscription over him, “This is the King of the Jews.”

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SOLO: He Was Wounded” Craig Courtney

He was wounded for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities.
The punishment that brought us peace was upon Him.
And with His wounds we are healed.

He was despised, He was rejected, One from whom men hide their faces.
Man of sorrows, with grief acquainted we esteem'd Him not.
All we like sheep have gone astray, each of us turned to his own way,
And the Lord has laid on Him all of our sin.

Surely He took up all of our suffering, surely He carried our sorrows,
Yet we considered Him afflicted, smitten, stricken by God.

*Christy Young, soloist
Samuel Metzger, piano*

JESUS AND THE THIEF ON THE CROSS

Luke 23:39-43

One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed justly, for we are

receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong." And he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." And he said to him, "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise."

The grass withers, the flower fades,
but the Word of our God will stand forever.

(Isaiah 40:8)

SERMON: Scandalous Grace.....Todd Erickson

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

BENEDICTION

SOLO MEDITATION: "He Never Said a Mumbalin' Word".....Moses Hogan

Wasn't it a pity and a shame? And He never said a mumbalin' word. Not a word, not a word, not a word.
They pierced Him in the side, and He never said a mumbalin' word. Not a word, not a word, not a word.
His blood came trickling down, and He never said a mumbalin' word. Not a word, not a word, not a word.
He bowed His head and died, and He never said a mumbalin' word. Not a word, not a word, not a word.

Calvin Ellis, soloist

Day of Prayer and Fasting

We encourage you to join our congregation and sister churches and denominations today to pray and fast.
Visit 2pc.org/easter to download the self-guided prayer packet.

Easter Sunday Worship Service

Visit 2pc.org/live at 8:15 or 11:00 a.m. to worship with us online.