

# HOLY MONDAY

## Order for the Public Worship of God

March 29, 2021 · 12:00 p.m.

PRELUDE: "Am I a Soldier of the Cross?" ..... Fred Bock

*Jill Peak, organ*

CALL TO WORSHIP ..... Brett Powell

✦HYMN: "Lift High the Cross" ..... CRUCIFER

*Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim,  
Till all the world adore His sacred Name.*

**Come, brethren, follow where our Savior trod,  
Our King victorious, Christ, the Son of God.**

**Led on their way by this triumphant sign,  
The hosts of God in conqu'ring ranks combine.**

**O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,  
As Thou hast promised, draw men unto Thee.**

**Thy kingdom come, that earth's despair may cease  
Beneath the shadow of its healing peace.**

**For Thy blest cross which doth for us atone,  
Creation's praises rise before Thy throne.**

✦INVOCATION

GOSPEL LESSON ..... Mark 2:1-12

And when he returned to Capernaum after some days, it was reported that he was at home. And many were gathered together, so that there was no more room, not even at the door. And he was preaching the word to them. And they came, bringing to him a paralytic carried by four men. And when they could not get near him because of the crowd, they removed the roof above him, and when they had made an opening, they let down the bed on which the paralytic lay.

And when Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, "Son, your sins are forgiven." Now some of the scribes were sitting there, questioning in their hearts, "Why does this man speak like that? He is blaspheming! Who can forgive sins but God alone?" And immediately Jesus, perceiving in his spirit that they thus questioned within themselves, said to them, "Why do you question these things in your hearts? Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Rise, take up your bed and walk'? But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins"—he said to the paralytic—"I say to you, rise, pick up your bed, and go home." And he rose and immediately picked up his bed and went out before them all, so that they were all amazed and glorified God, saying, "We never saw anything like this!"

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND PETITION

**Omniscient, holy God,  
we bow before You, knowing that You know our sins.**

**You know how we have disobeyed You  
in our thoughts, words, and deeds.**

**We have cared more about our bodies  
than we have cared about our souls.**

**We have cried and complained about being victims of the sins of others.**

**We have failed to see that we are also hurting others by our sins.**

**We have loved money, family, and comfort more than we have loved You.**

**By Your great compassion, displayed to us in Jesus,  
please forgive us our sins.**

**It is in the name of Him who is called the Suffering Servant  
and the friend of sinners that we pray. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON. . . . . Ephesians 2:4-5

*But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ— by grace you have been saved.*

VOCAL MEDITATION: “Hosanna”. . . . . Brooke Fraser

I see the King of glory coming on the clouds with fire;  
The whole earth shakes, the whole earth shakes.

I see His love and mercy washing over all our sin;  
The people sing; the people sing.

*Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.*

I see a generation rising up to take their place  
With selfless faith, with selfless faith.

I see a near revival stirring as we pray and seek;  
We’re on our knees, we’re on our knees.

Heal my heart and make it clean,  
Open up my eyes to the things unseen.  
Show me how to love like You have loved me.  
Break my heart for what breaks Yours;  
Everything I am for Your Kingdom’s cause  
As I walk from earth into eternity.

*Haleigh Boykin, soloist  
Calvin Ellis, piano  
James Ryan, violin*

HOMILY: Jesus and the Paralytic. . . . . David Bowen

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

◆HYMN: “What Wondrous Love Is This”. . . . . WONDROUS LOVE

**What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,  
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!  
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss  
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,  
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul.**

**To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing,  
To God and to the Lamb, I will sing;  
To God and to the Lamb, who is the great I AM,  
While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,  
While millions join the theme, I will sing!**

**And when from death I’m free, I’ll sing on, I’ll sing on,  
And when from death I’m free, I’ll sing on;  
And when from death I’m free, I’ll sing and joyful be,  
And through eternity I’ll sing on, I’ll sing on,  
And through eternity, I’ll sing on.**

◆BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: “All Glory Be to God on High”. . . . . J.S. Bach

◆Indicates congregation standing

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