



ST. PAUL'S
PRESBYTERIAN

For The Glory of God & The Joy of All Peoples

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

Good Friday Evening
March 29, 2024, at 7:00 pm



To all who are weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire hope; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and yearn for fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to whoever will come—this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

*The sounding of the
bells calls us to quiet our
hearts before worship.*

Welcome

Prelude

The Cross
Arr. by Linda R. Lamb

Call to Worship

From Psalm 41

Minister: Blessed be the LORD, the God of Israel, from
everlasting to everlasting!

Unison: Almighty God, we pray that you would graciously
behold this your family, for whom our Lord Jesus
Christ was willing to be betrayed, and given into the
hands of sinners, and to suffer death upon the cross;
who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, forever and ever. Amen.

† congregation standing

✠ congregation kneeling

† Hymn

Hymn A • Trinity Hymnal #252

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

HAMBURG

† Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 52:13-53:12

Pew Bible, page 613-614

† Hymn

Hymn B • Trinity Hymnal #260 (*Verses 1-4*)

Were You There?

Spiritual

The Passion of Our Lord

According to Luke 23:1-56

Pew Bible, page 883-884

The congregation will rise at verse 44

† Prayer for Illumination

Homily

Rev. Michael Glodo

HOLY WEEK:

The First Exaltation

† Hymn

Hymn C • Trinity Hymnal #254

Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed

MARTYRDOM

*The Solemn Reproaches
of the Cross is an ancient
text of Western Christianity
traditionally used at the end of
the Good Friday service. The
reproaches follow the pattern of
Psalm 78, rehearsing the story
of God's faithfulness and his
people's rebellion.*

Solemn Reproaches of the Cross

The congregation is invited to kneel and respond with "Have mercy upon us."

O my people, O my Church, what have I done to you,
or in what have I offended you? Testify against me.
I led you forth from the land of Egypt,
and delivered you by the waters of baptism,
but you have prepared a cross for your Savior.

Have mercy upon us.

I led you through the desert forty years, and fed you with manna.
I brought you through tribulation and penitence,
and gave you my body, the bread of heaven,
but you have prepared a cross for your Savior.

Have mercy upon us.

What more could I have done for you that I have not done?
I planted you, my chosen and fairest vineyard,
I made you the branches of my vine;
but when I was thirsty, you gave me vinegar to drink,
and pierced with a spear the side of your Savior,
and you have prepared a cross for your Savior.

Have mercy upon us.

I went before you in a pillar of cloud,
and you have led me to the judgment hall of Pilate.
I scourged your enemies and brought you to a land of freedom,
but you have scourged, mocked, and beaten me.
I gave you the water of salvation from the rock,
but you have given me gall and left me to thirst,
and you have prepared a cross for your Savior.

Have mercy upon us.

I gave you a royal scepter, and bestowed the keys to the kingdom,
but you have given me a crown of thorns.
I raised you on high with great power,
but you have prepared a cross for your Savior.

Have mercy upon us.

My peace I gave, which the world cannot give,
and washed your feet as a sign of my love,
but you draw the sword to strike in my name,
and seek high places in my kingdom.
I offered you my body and blood,
but you scatter and deny and abandon me,
and you have prepared a cross for your Savior.

Have mercy upon us.

I sent the Spirit of truth to guide you,
and you close your hearts to the Counselor.
I pray that all may be one in the Father and me,
but you continue to quarrel and divide.
I call you to go and bring forth fruit,
but you cast lots for my clothing,
and you have prepared a cross for your Savior.

Have mercy upon us.

I came to you as the least of your brothers and sisters;
I was hungry and you gave me no food,
I was thirsty and you gave me no drink,
I was a stranger and you did not welcome me,
naked and you did not clothe me,
sick and in prison and you did not visit me,
and you have prepared a cross for your Savior.

Have mercy upon us.

Minister: Let us pray.

Unison: Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, we ask you to set your passion, cross, and death between your judgment and our souls, now and in the hour of our death. Give mercy and grace to the living; to your holy Church, peace and concord; and to us sinners, everlasting life and glory; for with the Father and Holy Spirit you live and reign, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Postlude

Hark! the Voice of Love and Mercy

BRYN CALFARIA

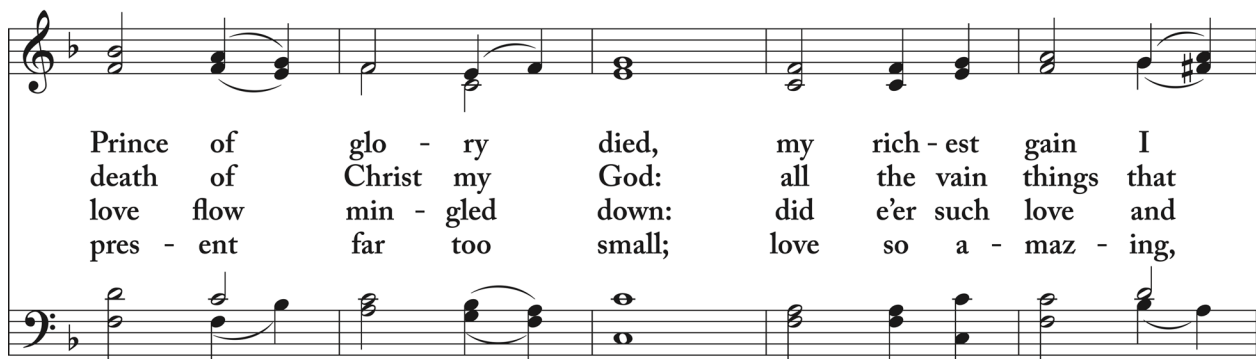
Please exit the Sanctuary silently.

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. Gal. 6:14



1. When I sur - vey the won - drous cross on which the
 2. For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the
 3. See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sor - row and
 4. Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were a



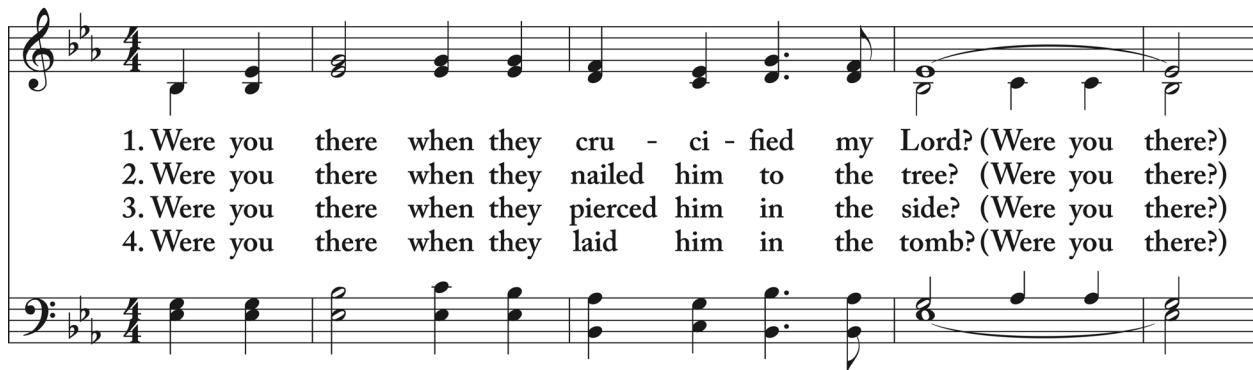
Prince of glo - ry died, my rich - est gain I
 death of Christ my God: all the vain things that
 love flow min - gled down: did e'er such love and
 pres - ent far too small; love so a - maz - ing,



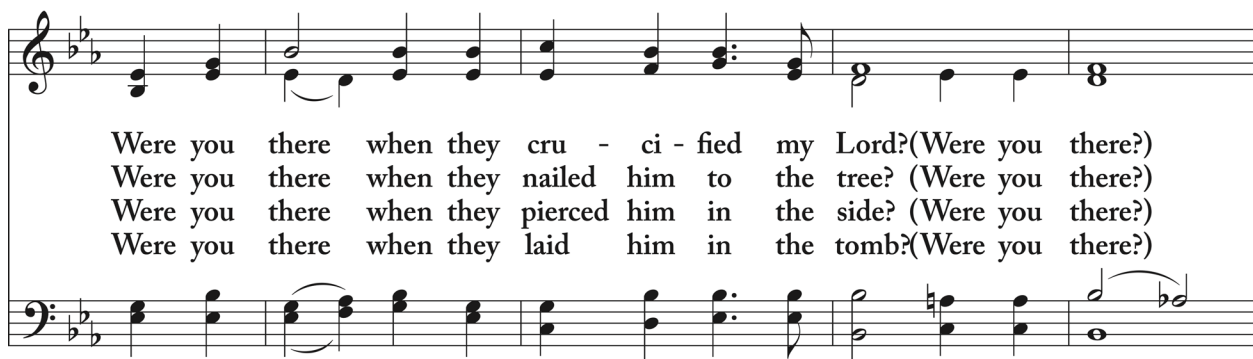
count but loss, and pour con - tempt on all my pride.
 charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to his blood.
 sor - row meet, or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
 so di - vine, de - mands my soul, my life, my all.

Were You There?

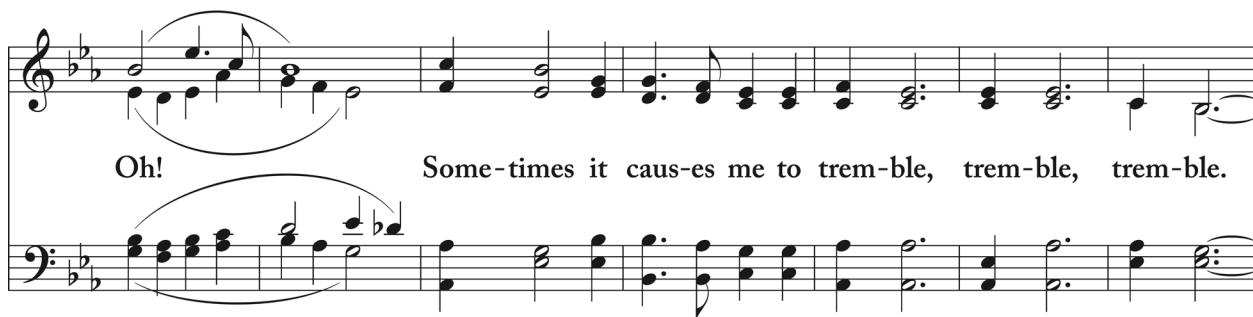
It was the third hour when they crucified him. Mark 15:25



1. Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? (Were you there?)
2. Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? (Were you there?)
3. Were you there when they pierced him in the side? (Were you there?)
4. Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? (Were you there?)



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Oh! Some-times it caus-es me to trem-ble, trem-ble, trem-ble.

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 Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? (Were you there?)
 Were you there when they pierced him in the side? (Were you there?)
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Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed

He was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities. Is. 53:5



1. A - las! and did my Sav - ior bleed, and did my Sov - ereign die!
2. Was it for crimes that I had done he groaned up - on the tree!
3. Well might the sun in dark - ness hide, and shut his glo - ries in,
4. Thus might I hide my blush - ing face while his dear cross ap - pears;
5. But drops of grief can ne'er re - pay the debt of love I owe;



Would he de - vote that sa - cred head for such a worm as I!
 A - maz - ing pit - y! Grace un - known! And love be - yond de - gree!
 when Christ, the might - y Mak - er, died for man the crea - ture's sin.
 dis - solve my heart in thank - ful - ness, and melt mine eyes in tears.
 here, Lord, I give my - self a - way, 'tis all that I can do.



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