

HEBRON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Order of Service for the Worship of God

April 6, 2012

Good Friday

7:00 P.M.

PRELUDE *My Heart Is Filled with Longing* ~ J.S. Bach Ben Heizer, Organist

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* Chancel Choir

***RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP AND OLD TESTAMENT LESSON**

~ Psalm 22: 1-2, 6-7, 14-18, 23-24, 27-29a

L: My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Why are you so far from helping me,
so far from the words of my groaning?

P: O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer; I cry by night, but I find no rest.

L: For I am a worm, and no human; scorned by others, and despised by the people. All
who see me mock at me; they make mouths at me, they wag their heads.

**P: I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint; my heart is like wax,
it is melted within my breast;**

L: My strength is dried up like broken pottery cast on the hot sands, and my tongue clings
to my jaws; you have laid me down in the dust of death.

**P: Indeed, dogs are round about me; a company of evildoers encircle me; they have
pierced my hands and feet – I can count all my bones.**

L: They stare and gloat over me; they divide my garments among them, and they cast lots
for my clothing.

**P: You who fear the LORD, praise him! All you descendants of Jacob, glorify him;
stand in awe of him, all you children of Israel!**

L: For he has not despised or abhorred the affliction of the afflicted; and he has not hidden
his face from him, but has heard, when he cried to him.

**P: All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD; and all the families
of the nations shall worship before him.**

L: For dominion belongs to the LORD, and he rules over the nations.

P: Yes, to him all the proud of the earth shall bow down.

***UNISON OPENING PRAYER** ~ From the PCUSA *Book of Common Worship*

**Eternal God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – look with mercy upon your children
and your Church, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, to be
given over into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death on the cross, for ours sakes.
Draw near to us as we worship you and remember the tragic events of this day, when
you gave your life for us on the cross, and endured death and the grave. Amen.**

***HYMN**

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

Bulletin Insert

ANTHEM

My Song is Love Unknown ~ S. Crossman/J. Ireland

Chancel Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL LESSON ~ The Story of the Crucifixion ~ Bulletin Insert

*Including portions of Matthew, chapter 27; Mark, chapters 14 and 15;
Luke, chapter 23; and John, chapter 19*

L: This is the word of the Lord;

P: Thanks be to God.

HOMILY

“The Death of Jesus”

Rev. Frank Wyche

***HYMN**

Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed?

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EVENING PRAYER AND **THE LORD’S PRAYER** (*...debts/debtors...*)

LITANY FOR GOOD FRIDAY ~ From the PCUSA *Book of Common Worship*

L: O crucified Jesus, Son of the Father, conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the
virgin Mary, eternal Word of God, we worship you.

**P: O crucified Jesus, holy temple of God, dwelling place of the Most High, gate
of heaven, burning flame of love, we worship you.**

L: O crucified Jesus, sanctuary of mercy, love and justice, full of kindness, source of all
faithfulness, we worship you.

**P: O crucified Jesus, ruler of every heart, in you are all the treasures of wisdom and
knowledge, and in you dwells the fullness of the Godhead; we worship you.**

L: Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.

P: Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.

L: Jesus, Savior of the world, have mercy on us.

P: Jesus, Lamb of God, grant us thy peace.

***HYMN**

Ah, Holy Jesus

Bulletin Insert

***BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL RESPONSE**

O How He Loves You and Me

Chancel Choir

POSTLUDE

Ben Heizer, Organist

*Those who are able may stand.

BOLDFACE TYPE indicates words spoken or sung by the congregation.

Church Schedule for Easter Sunday

OUR ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT will be held Saturday, April 7, for toddlers through fifth-graders, beginning at 10:00 A.M., with a hot dog lunch to follow. The event will be held rain or shine, with eggs and treats hidden outdoors weather permitting, or indoors if the grounds are wet or the weather is bad.

EASTER BREAKFAST – The Worship Committee invites everyone to an Easter Breakfast on April 8 starting at 9:00 A.M. There will be breakfast casseroles, bacon, sausage gravy, chipped beef gravy, fruit, juices, coffee, donuts and pastries. Please join us for a wonderful meal and a time of Christian fellowship!

SUNDAY SCHOOL will begin at 9:55 A.M. Feel free to participate in any of our classes for children, youth and adults, or to remain in the Fellowship Hall enjoying the fellowship, or to go to the Sanctuary early for personal prayer and reflection.

EASTER SUNDAY WORSHIP – Please join us for worship Sunday, April 8, as we celebrate the Day of the Resurrection of our Lord and Savior. Morning worship will begin at 11:00 A.M. and will include the celebration of the Lord's Supper. Please prepare your hearts and minds to receive the Sacrament.

EVENING ACTIVITIES CANCELED – The Hebron Youth Group and the Sunday Evening Bible Study will both be canceled Sunday night. They will resume the following Sunday, April 15, with Youth Group beginning at 6:30 P.M., and Bible Study at 7:00 P.M.

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Matthew 27: 24-34 ~ Page 864 in the pew Bible

So when Pilate saw that he was gaining nothing, but rather that a riot was beginning, he took water and washed his hands before the crowd, saying, "I am innocent of this man's blood; see to it yourselves." And all the people answered, "His blood be on us and on our children!" Then he released for them Barabbas, and having scourged Jesus, delivered him to be crucified. Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the praetorium, and they gathered the whole battalion before him. And they stripped him and put a scarlet robe upon him, and plaiting a crown of thorns they put it on his head, and put a reed in his right hand. And kneeling before him they mocked him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!" And they spat upon him, and took the reed and struck him on the head. And when they had mocked him, they stripped him of the robe, and put his own clothes on him, and led him away to crucify him. As they went out, they came upon a man of Cyrene, Simon by name; this man they compelled to carry his cross. And when they came to a place called Golgotha (which means the place of a skull), they offered him wine to drink, mingled with gall; but when he tasted it, he would not drink it.

John 19: 18-25a ~ Pages 943-944 in the pew Bible

There they crucified him, and with him two others, one on either side, and Jesus between them. Pilate also wrote a title and put it on the cross; it read, "Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews." Many of the Jews read this title, for the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city; and it was written in Hebrew, in Latin, and in Greek. The chief priests of the Jews then said to Pilate, "Do not write, 'The King of the Jews,' but, 'This man said, I am King of the Jews.'" Pilate answered, "What I have written I have written." When the soldiers had crucified Jesus they took his garments and made four parts, one for each soldier; also his tunic. But the tunic was without seam, woven from top to bottom; so they said to one another, "Let us not tear it, but cast lots for it to see whose it shall be." This was to fulfill the scripture, "They parted my garments among them, and for my clothing they cast lots." So the soldiers did this.

Luke 23: 32-46 ~ Page 919 in the pew Bible

Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. And when they came to the place which is called The Skull, there they crucified him, and the criminals, one on the right and one on the 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

JESUS SAID, "FATHER, FORGIVE



LUKE 23:34

THEM, FOR THEY KNOW NOT WHAT THEY DO."

himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him vinegar, 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." 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." It was now about the sixth hour, and there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour, while the sun's light failed; and the curtain of the temple was torn in two. Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said, "Father, into your hands I commit my spirit!" And having said this he breathed his last.

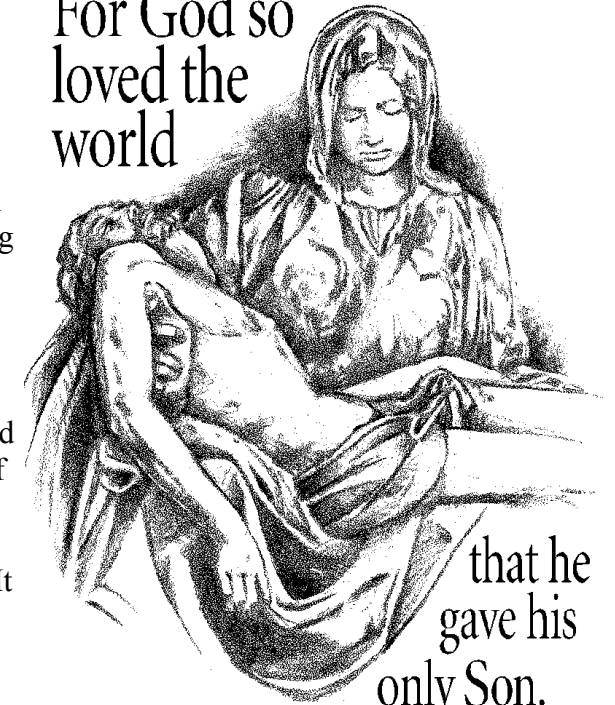
John 19: 28b-34 ~ Page 944 in the pew Bible

Jesus, knowing that all was now finished, said (to fulfill the scripture), "I thirst." A bowl full of vinegar stood there; so they put a sponge full of the vinegar on hyssop and held it to his mouth. When Jesus had received the vinegar, he said, "It is finished"; and he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

Matthew 27: 45, 50-54 ~ Page 865 in pew Bible

Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land until the ninth hour. And about the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, "Eli, Eli, lama sabach-thani?" which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" And some of the bystanders hearing it said, "This man is calling Elijah." And one of them at once ran and took a sponge, filled it with vinegar, and put it on a reed, and gave it to him to drink. But the others said, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him." And Jesus cried again with a loud voice and yielded up his spirit. And behold, the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom; and the earth shook, and the rocks were split; the tombs also were opened, and many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised, and coming out of the tombs after his resurrection they went into the holy city and appeared to many. When the centurion and those who were with him, keeping watch over Jesus, saw the earthquake and what took place, they were filled with awe, and said, "Truly this was the Son of God!"

For God so
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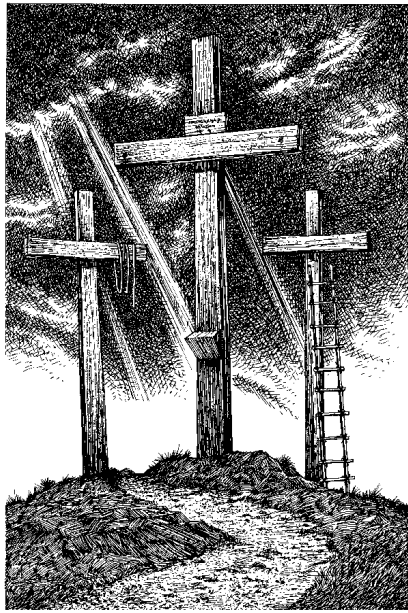


that he
gave his
only Son.

John 3:16

John 19: 31-34, 38-42 ~ Page 944 in the pew Bible

Since it was the day of Preparation, in order to prevent the bodies from remaining on the cross on the sabbath (for that sabbath was a high day), the Jews asked Pilate that their legs might be broken, and that they might be taken away. So the soldiers came and broke the



legs of the first, and of the other who had been crucified with him; but when they came to Jesus and saw that he was already dead, they did not break his legs. But one of the soldiers pierced his side with a spear, and at once there came out blood and water.

After this Joseph of Arimathea, who was a disciple of Jesus, but secretly, for fear of the Jews, asked Pilate that he might take away the body of Jesus, and Pilate gave him leave. So he came and took away his body. Nicodemus also, who had at first come to him by night, came bringing a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about a hundred pounds' weight. They took the body of Jesus, and bound it in linen cloths with the spices, as is the burial custom of the Jews. Now in the place where he was crucified there was a garden, and in the garden a new tomb where no one had ever been laid. So because of the Jewish day of Preparation, as the tomb was close at hand, they laid Jesus there.

Matthew 27: 61-66 ~ Page 865

Mary Magdalene and the other Mary were there, sitting opposite the sepulchre. Next day, that is, after the day of Preparation, the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered before Pilate and said, "Sir, we remember how that impostor said, while he was still alive, 'After three days I will rise again.' Therefore order the sepulchre to be made secure until the third day, lest his disciples go and steal him away, and tell the people, 'He has risen from the dead,' and the last fraud will be worse than the first." Pilate said to them, "You have a guard of soldiers; go, make it as secure as you can." So they went and made the sepulchre secure by sealing the stone and setting a guard.

The Passion of Christ

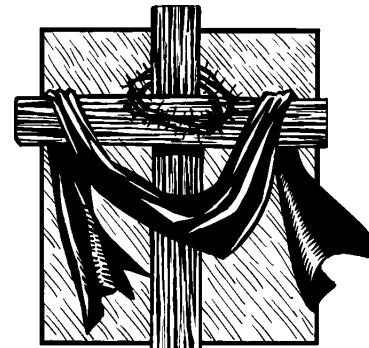
The Passion of Christ means Jesus' betrayal, arrest, abuse, fleeing of the disciples, trial before Jewish and Roman authorities, abuse and torture by guards, rejection by the people, and his crucifixion and death on the cross. The events in the life of Jesus from after the Last Supper up until the Resurrection on Easter morning are told in Matthew 26:19-27:61, Mark 14:26-15:47, Luke 22:39-23:56, and John 13:1-19:42. (In John, Jesus' last words to the disciples take up chapters 13-17.)

The events of Good Friday, from dawn until the placing of the body of Jesus in the tomb, are told in Matthew 27: 1-61, Mark 15: 1-47, Luke 23: 1-56, and John 18:1-19:42.

Gospel Lessons on the Events of Good Friday

Mark 14: 46, 48-49, 53, 55-56, 60-65 ~ Page 884 in the pew Bible

[After Jesus was betrayed by Judas], they [an armed crowd sent by the chief priests and the scribes and the elders (14:43)] laid hands on him and seized him. And Jesus said to them, "Have you come out as against a robber, with swords and clubs to capture me? Day after day I was with you in the temple teaching, and you did not seize me. But let the scriptures be fulfilled." And they led Jesus to the high priest [Caiaphas]; and all the chief priests and the elders and the scribes were assembled. Now the chief priests and the whole council sought testimony against Jesus to put him to death; but they found none. For although many bore false witness



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against him, their testimony did not agree. And the high priest stood up in the midst, and asked Jesus, "Have you no answer to make? What is it that these men testify against you?" But he was silent and made no answer. Again the high priest asked him, "Are you the Christ [which means, the Messiah], the Son of the Blessed?" And Jesus said, "I am; and you will see the Son of man seated at the right hand of Power, and coming with the clouds of heaven." And the high priest tore his garments, and said, "Why do we still need witnesses? You have heard his blasphemy! What is your decision?" And they all condemned him as deserving death. And some began to spit on him, and to cover his face, and to strike him, saying to him, "Prophesy!" And the guards took him, and beat him.

Mark 15: 1-14 ~ Pages 884-885 in the pew Bible

And as soon as it was morning the chief priests, with the elders and scribes, and the whole council held a consultation; and they bound Jesus and led him away and delivered him to Pilate. And Pilate asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" And he

answered him, "You have said so." And the chief priests accused him of many things. And Pilate again asked him, "Have you no answer to make? See how many charges they bring against you." But Jesus made no further answer, so that Pilate wondered. Now at the feast it was his custom to release for them one prisoner for whom they asked. And among the rebels in prison, who had committed murder in the insurrection, there was a man called Barabbas. And the crowd came up and began to ask Pilate for his customary release. And he answered them, "Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?" For he perceived that it was out of envy that the chief priests had delivered him up. But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release for them Barabbas instead. And Pilate again said to them, "Then what shall I do with the man whom you call the King of the Jews?" And they cried out again, "Crucify him!" And Pilate said to them, "Why, what evil has he done?" But they shouted all the more, "Crucify him!"