



The Worship of God

Good Friday

April 18, 2014

Noon

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*With His Strips We Are Healed*

Music for Meditation

David Fray, *cello*

*Almighty God, we beseech Thee graciously to behold this Thy family, for which our Lord Jesus Christ was contented to be betrayed and given up into the hands of wicked men, and to suffer death upon the cross; who now liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. Amen.*

Call to Worship: from Psalm 22

The Rev. Paul Goebel

My God, my God, why have You forsaken me? Why are You so far from saving me, from the words of my groaning? O my God, I cry by day, but You do not answer, and by night, but I find no rest. Yet You are holy, enthroned on the praises of Israel. In You our fathers trusted; they trusted, and You delivered them. To You they cried and were rescued; in You they trusted and were not put to shame... Be not far from me, for trouble is near, and there is none to help... 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; my strength is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue sticks to my jaws; You lay me in the dust of death. For dogs encompass me; a company of evildoers encircles me; they have pierced my hands and feet—I can count all my bones—they stare and gloat over me; they divide my garments among them, and for my clothing they cast lots. But You, O LORD, do not be far off! O You my help, come quickly to my aid! Deliver my soul from the sword, my precious life from the power of the dog! Save me from the mouth of the lion! You have rescued me from the horns of the wild oxen! I will tell of Your name to my brothers; in the midst of the congregation I will praise You: You who fear the LORD, praise Him! All you offspring of Jacob, glorify Him, and stand in awe of Him, all you offspring of Israel! 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. From You comes my praise in the great congregation; my vows I will perform before those who fear Him. The afflicted shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek Him shall praise the LORD! May your hearts live forever! All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD, and all the families of the nations shall worship before You. For kingship belongs to the LORD, and He rules over the nations. All the prosperous of the earth eat and worship; before Him shall bow all who go down to the dust, even the one who could not keep himself alive. Posterity shall serve Him; it shall be told of the Lord to the coming generation; they shall come and proclaim His righteousness to a people yet unborn, that He has done it.

*Please stand.*

Hymn No. 247

“O Sacred Head, Now Wounded”

PASSION CHORALE

Prayer

Mr. Goebel

*Please be seated.*

Musical Offering

“He Was Wounded”

Courtney

Jenni Rasberry, *soprano* • Stephen Nielson, *piano*

The Lord’s Prayer

Scripture Reading

Mark 15.21-39

Meditation

Dr. Julian Russell

Silent Prayer

*Please stand.*

Hymn No. 535

“O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus!”

EBENEZER

Solemn Dismissal

Leader: 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.

People: Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy.

All depart in silence.

*Please join us for lunch in the chapel foyer immediately following today’s service.*

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