

The Worship of God

Monday before Easter

April 14, 2025 at Noon

Order for the Worship of God

Please use this time to silently prepare and pray.

Music for Meditation

Joseph Kuipers, cello

Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy, but first suffered pain, and entered not into glory before He was crucified; mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace through the same, Thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Call to Worship: Psalm 42, *Trinity Hymnal, page 800* The Rev. Robby Higginbottom

Please stand if you are able.

Hymn No. 528

"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

OLIVET

Prayer Mr. Higginbottom

Please be seated.

Musical Meditation

"What Wondrous Love" Mr. Kuipers, *cello*

WONDROUS LOVE

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name;
Thy Kingdom come; Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread
and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil;
for Thine is the Kingdom, and the power and the glory forever.
Amen.

Please stand if you are able.

Scripture Reading

1 Corinthians 1.18-25

For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

- ¹⁹ For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart."
- Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world?
- ²¹ For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, it pleased God through the folly of what we preach to save those who believe.
- ²² For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom,
- ²³ but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles,
- ²⁴ but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.
- ²⁵ For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.

Please be seated.

Silent Prayer

Please stand if you are able.

Hymn No. 535

"O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus!"

EBENEZER

Solemn Dismissal

Leader: O My people, O My Church, what have I done to you, or in what have I

offended you? Answer 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.

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

us. Lord, have mercy.

All depart in silence.