CEDAR SPRINGS PRESBYTERIAN Live Deeply

ORDER OF WORSHIP

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 18, 2025 12.00 PM

Gathering God's People

Silent Meditation

Opening Thoughts & Prayer

Prayer of Invocation

Prelude "Wood and Nails"

Wardell / Watts / Cunningham

Call to Worship

The First Word

Luke 23:32-34 (p. 884)

Silent Meditation

"Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed"

Trinity Hymnal No. 254

Alas! and did my Savior bleed, and did my Sovereign die! Would he devote that sacred head for such a worm as I!

Thy body slain, sweet Jesus, Thine, and bathed in its own blood; While, all exposed to wrath divine, the glorious Suff'rer stood!

Was it for crimes that I had done he groaned upon the tree! Amazing pity! Grace unknown!

And love beyond degree!

But drops of grief can ne'er repay the debt of love I owe; Here, Lord, I give myself away, 'tis all that I can do.

The Second Word

Luke 23:35-43 (p. 884)

Silent Meditation

Prayer

The Third Word

John 19:25-27 (p. 905)

Silent Meditation

"What Wondrous Love Is This"

Trinity Hymnal No. 261

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!

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The Fourth Word

Matthew 27:45-46 (p. 834)

Silent Meditation

Prayer

The Fifth Word

John 19:25-27 (p. 905)

Silent Meditation

Stricken, smitten, and afflicted, see him dying on the tree! 'Tis the Christ by man rejected; yes, my soul, 'tis he, 'tis he! 'Tis the long-expected Prophet, David's son, yet David's Lord; by his Son God now has spoken: 'tis the true and faithful Word.

Tell me, ye who hear him groaning, was there ever grief like his? Friends thro' fear his cause disowning, foes insulting his distress; many hands were raised to wound him, none would interpose to save; but the deepest stroke that pierced him was the stroke that Justice gave.

Ye who think of sin but lightly nor suppose the evil great here may view its nature rightly, here its guilt may estimate. Mark the sacrifice appointed, see who bears the awful load; 'tis the Word, the Lord's Anointed, Son of Man and Son of God.

Here we have a firm foundation, here the refuge of the lost; Christ's the Rock of our salvation, his the name of which we boast. Lamb of God, for sinners wounded, sacrifice to cancel guilt!

None shall ever be confounded who on him their hope have built.

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The Sixth Word

John 19:30 (p. 906)

Silent Meditation

Prayer

The Seventh Word

Luke 23:44-46 (p. 884)

Silent Meditation

"Were You There?"

Trinity Hymnal No. 260

Were you there when they crucified my Lord? Were you there when they crucified my Lord? Oh!

Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble. Were you there when they crucified my

Lord?

Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble. Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

Instruction in God's Word

Sermon Luke 23:44-46 p. 884

Sending God's People Into the World

"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

Trinity Hymnal No. 252

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died. My richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ my God. All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down. Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

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