



Southminster Presbyterian Church

"A Christ-centered ... intentionally missional congregation ..."

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Celebration of Worship Good Friday ~ March 29, 2024 5:00 p.m.

Thought for Meditation

Good Friday is a day of sorrow mingled with joy. It is a time to grieve over the sin of man and to meditate and rejoice upon God's love in giving His only Son for the redemption of sin.

David Katski

Prelude

Greeting and Opening Prayer

Jennifer Stampfel

Christ himself bore our sins in his body on the tree.
That we might die to sin and live to righteousness.

Let us pray:

**Almighty God,
Your Son Jesus Christ was lifted high upon the cross
so that he might draw the whole world to himself.
Grant that we, who glory in this death for our salvation,
may also glory in his call to take up our cross and follow him;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Opening Hymn #150

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

H.K. Hilner and Chris Edwards

Come, Christians, join to sing Alleluia! Amen!
Loud praise to Christ our King; Alleluia! Amen!
Let all, with heart and voice, Before His throne rejoice;
Praise is His gracious choice; Alleluia! Amen!

Come, lift your hearts on high; Alleluia! Amen!
Let praises fill the sky; Alleluia! Amen!
He is our guide and friend; To us He'll condescend;
His love shall never end; Alleluia! Amen!

Praise yet our Christ again; Alleluia! Amen!
Life shall not end the strain; Alleluia! Amen!
On heaven's blissful shore His goodness we'll adore,
Singing forevermore, Alleluia! Amen!

Scripture Lessons

Isaiah 52:13 – 53:12

p. 596

Hebrews 10:16-25

p. 976

Anthem

Liquid
Jars of Clay

Prayers of the People

Doug Marshall

The Lord's Prayer *(In Unison)*

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.

Introduction to the Passion Story Mark 15:1-47

Time for Meditation

You are invited to visit the Meditation Stations in the Parlor and the Lounge to reflect on the events of the Passion Story.

#1: The Last Supper / The Passover Meal

#2: Hand Washing

#3: Prayer Station

#4: The Cross

#5: The Forgiveness of Sins

#6: The Empty Tomb

#7: Reflection / Meditation

After about 20 minutes the congregation will return to their seats and the service will continue.

Readings from Jesus' Birth and Death

Closing Hymn #466

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

O for a thousand tongues to sing My dear Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King, The triumphs of God's grace!

Jesus, the name that charms our fears, That bids our sorrows cease;
'Tis music in the sinner's ears, 'Tis life, and health, and peace.

Christ breaks the power of reigning sin, And sets the prisoner free;
Christ's blood can make the sinful clean, Christ's blood availed for me.

My gracious Master and my God, Assist me to proclaim,
To spread through all the earth abroad The honors of Thy name.

Blessing and Charge

Postlude

Welcome

We welcome all who have come to share in worship this evening.
If you have any questions or concerns, please feel
free to speak with a staff member.



Easter Sunday Services

Please join us on Easter morning as we celebrate the
resurrection of our Lord at our regular service times:
9:00 a.m. with the Crossings Band in Fellowship Hall and
11:00 a.m. with the Choir and Instrumentalists in the Sanctuary
With a beautiful display of spring flowers, and a message and
music recognizing the meaning and joy of the occasion.



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