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Tempera and gouache, 1959

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Good Friday Tenebrae Service

April 2, 2021, 7:00^{pm}

Christ Presbyterian Church, Canton, OH.

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Canton, Ohio

Good Friday Evening

April 2, 2021

Seven O'Clock

*Please silence all electronic devices
prior to the worship service.*

* Those who are able please stand; if getting up
and down is difficult for you, please remain seated.

The Gathering

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE Arioso on "Herzliebster Jesu"

David Blackwell

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Surely he has borne our griefs,

People: and carried our sorrows;

Leader: yet we accounted him stricken,

People: struck down by God, and afflicted.

Leader: But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities;

People: upon him was the punishment that made us whole,

Leader: and by his bruises we are healed.

Unison: Blessed be the name of the Lord!

*HYMN NO. 223

"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

Verse 1: All

Verse 3: Organ Meditation

Verse 2: Cantor

Verse 4: All

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Litany for Good Friday

O crucified Jesus, Son of the Father, conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin
Mary, eternal Word of God.

we worship you.

O crucified Jesus, holy temple of God, dwelling place of the Most High, gate of
heaven, burning flame of love,

we worship you.

O crucified Jesus, sanctuary of justice and love, full of kindness, source of all
faithfulness,

we worship you.

O crucified Jesus, ruler of every heart, in you are all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge, in you dwells all the fullness of the Godhead,

we worship you.

Jesus, Lamb of God,

have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins,

have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer of the world,

grant us peace.

After a brief silence, the leader concludes the litany:

Almighty God, look with mercy on your family for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed and to be given over to the hands of sinners and to suffer death on the cross; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

Amen.

The Word

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 52:13-53:12

ORGAN MEDITATION on "Passion Chorale"

Pamela Decker

HYMN NO. 221

PASSION CHORALE

O sacred head, now wounded, with grief and shame weighed down;
now scornfully surrounded with thorns, thine only crown;
O sacred head, what glory, what bliss till now was thine!
Yet, though despised, I joy to call thee mine.

THE PASSION OF OUR LORD ACCORDING TO JOHN

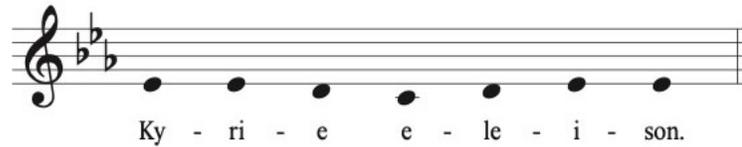
John 18:19-42

THE SERVICE OF TENEBRAE **The Solemn Reproaches of the Cross**

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. Lord, have mercy.

Joe Orin, *cantor*

KYRIE



HYMN No. 217

“On a Barren Hilltop”

All: On a barren hilltop just outside the walls
of an ancient city as the evening falls,
Speaks a dying figure hanging on a tree,
saying "It is finished," words of victory.

Cantor: Tested just as we are, in a world of strife,
through the pain and conflict of a human life,
Here at last completed with his final breath
is a life triumphant over sin and death.

All: Let us then come boldly to the heavenly throne,
where our human weakness is so fully known,
And the mercy given by which we are freed,
and the grace provided for our time of need.

ALL: Holy God, Holy and mighty, Holy immortal One, have mercy upon us.
(Silent Meditation)

First Candle is Extinguished

Leader: I led you through the desert forty years, and fed you manna: I brought you
through tribulation and penitence, and gave you my body, the bread of heaven,
but you have prepared a cross for your Savior. Lord, have mercy.

ANTHEM Pange lingua

Plainsong, mode 3

Jean Burnquist, *cantor*

ALL: Holy God, Holy and mighty, Holy immortal One, have mercy upon us.
(silence)

Second Candle is Extinguished

Leader: What more could I have done for you that I have not done? I planted you, my
chosen and fairest vineyard, I made you the branches of my vine; but when I
was thirsty, you gave me vinegar to drink and pierced with a spear the side of
your Savior, and you have prepared a cross for your Savior. Lord, have mercy.

ANTHEM “God So Loved the World”

Bob Chilcott

ALL: Holy God, Holy and mighty, Holy immortal One, have mercy upon us.
(silence)

Third Candle is Extinguished

Leader: I went before you in a pillar of cloud, and you have led me to the judgment hall of Pilate, I scourged your enemies and brought you to a land of freedom, but you have scourged, mocked, and beaten me. I gave you the water of salvation from the rock, but you have given me gall and left me to thirst, and you have prepared a cross for your Savior. Lord, have mercy.

HYMN No. 218 “Ah, Holy Jesus”

HERZLIEBSTER JESU

All: Ah, holy Jesus, how hast thou offended,
that we to judge thee have in hate pretended?
By foes derided, by thine own rejected,
O most afflicted!

Cantor: Who was the guilty? Who brought this upon thee?
Alas, my treason, Jesus, hath undone thee.
‘Twas I, Lord Jesus, I it was denied thee;
I crucified thee.

All: Therefore, kind Jesus, since I cannot pay thee,
I do adore thee, and will ever pray thee,
think on thy pity and thy love unswerving,
not my deserving.

ALL: Holy God, Holy and mighty, Holy immortal One, have mercy upon us.
(silence)

Fourth Candle is Extinguished

Leader: I gave you a royal scepter, and bestowed the keys to the kingdom, but you have given me a crown of thorns. I raised you on high with great power, but you have prepared a cross for your Savior.
Lord, have mercy.

ANTHEM “My Song is Love Unknown”
Sarah Pozderac-Chenevey, *alto*

Malcolm Archer
Michael Wallace, *tenor*

ALL: Holy God, Holy and mighty, Holy immortal One, have mercy upon us.

Fifth Candle is Extinguished

Leader: My peace I gave, which the world cannot give, and washed your feet as a sign of my love, but you draw the sword to strike in my name and seek high places in my kingdom. I offered you my body and blood, but you scatter and deny and abandon me, and you have prepared a cross for your Savior. Lord, have mercy.

ANTHEM “Were You There?” African-American Spiritual
Britt Cooper, *baritone* arr. Moses Hogan

ALL: Holy God, Holy and mighty, Holy immortal One, have mercy upon us.
(silence)

Sixth Candle is Extinguished

Leader: I sent the Spirit of truth to guide you, and you close your hearts to the Counselor. I pray that all may be one in the Father and me, but you continue to quarrel and divide. I call you to go and bring forth fruit, but you cast lots for my clothing, and you have prepared a cross for your Savior. Lord, have mercy.

ORGAN MEDITATION “Wir setzen uns mit Tränen nieder” (We sit down in tears)
from *St. Matthew Passion* J. S. Bach

ALL: Holy God, Holy and mighty, Holy immortal One, have mercy upon us.
(silence)

Seventh Candle is Extinguished

Leader: I grafted you into the tree of my chosen Israel, and you turned on them with persecution and mass murder. I made you joint heirs with them of my covenants but you made them scapegoats for your own guilt, and you have prepared a cross for your Savior. Lord, have mercy.

ANTHEM “Beautiful Savior” F. Melius Christiansen
Fair are the meadows, Fairer the woodlands, Robed in flow’rs of blooming spring;
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, He makes our sorrowing spirit sing.
Beautiful Savior! Lord of the nations! Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor, Praise, adoration, Now and forevermore be Thine!

The light of the world is carried out of the nave.

REMAIN FOR MEDITATION OR DEPART IN SILENCE



The Offering will be received at the doors.

Saturday, April 3

Holy Saturday

12:00 Noon The Annual CPC Easter Egg Hunt (An outdoor event)



THE DAY OF RESURRECTION

Sunday, April 4

7:00am Gathered Worship in the Courtyard

(in case of inclement weather, this service will move indoors)

9:00am Gathered Worship in the Sanctuary (Reservations Required)

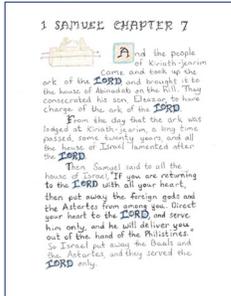
10:30am Streamed Worship via YouTube and Facebook (Pre-recorded)

Broadcast on WHBC AM Radio

11:00am Gathered Worship in the Sanctuary (Reservations Required)

All gatherings are limited to 70 persons with the expectation that people will practice social distancing and remain masked. We are asking church members and friends to **sign up in advance** to reserve a space in the Sanctuary for each worship/event. Reservations can be made by calling the church office or via the church website. **Reservations for any given Sunday begin the Monday prior.**

Canton Corona Bible Project



After receiving feature articles in both the Canton Repository and the Malone student paper, the Corona Bible project is picking up speed! The Malone University community has adopted the book of Isaiah and other congregations are considering other books of the Hebrew Bible to adopt.

A few dozen submissions like this one above from elder Edith Ophardt have been received. Initially, we had hoped to complete the project by Pentecost, but it seems that we need more time and are extending our deadline all the way to Christmas. This means that you, your family, your small group, and other communities to which you belong now have more time to consider how you might meditate on holy Scripture and write out the words of some of your favorite passages by hand. As always, if you would like to participate, sign up on our church website or contact pastor Michael Wallace by email mwallace@cantoncpc.org. Thanks!

For more information and to claim a chapter, please visit www.cantoncpc.org/learn-grow/canton-corona-bible/



Concert Series

Fresh Aire

Nancy Paterson, harp & Dianne Williams, flute

Sunday, April 25, 2021—4:00 p.m.

The delicate sounds of harp and flute combine in lush arrangements of classical selections.

Available *online*, streamed through CPC Facebook and YouTube.