

Bethel Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Good Friday Online Service April 2, 2021 - 6:00 PM

Welcome

Prelude

Opening Sentences (*L* = *Leader*, *P* = *People*)

L: Christ Jesus bore our sins in his body on the cross so that we might die to sin and live for righteousness.

P: Blessed is the name of the Lord.

Prayer

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, now and forever. Amen.

Hymn

"GO TO DARK GETHSEMANE" (Verses 1 – 3) Go to dark Geth-sem-a-ne, all who feel the tempt-er's power; your Re-deem-er's con-flict see; watch with him one bit-ter hour; turn not from his griefs a-way; learn from Je-sus Christ to pray. Fol-low to the judg-ment hall; view the Lord of life ar-raigned; O the worm-wood and the gall! O the pangs his soul sus-tained! Shun not suf-fering, shame, or loss; learn from him to bear the cross. Cal-vary's mourn-ful moun-tain climb;

there, a-dor-ing at his feet, mark that mir-a-cle of time, God's own sac-ri-fice com-plete; ''It is fin-ished!'' hear him cry; learn from Je-sus Christ to die. Prayer for Illumination

Holy One, our strength in suffering and our hope for salvation, lift up your Word of life and pour out your Spirit of grace so that we may follow faithfully all the way to the cross; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Readings from Holy Scripture

WisdomPsalm 22(Plea for Deliverance from Suffering ...)GospelJohn 18:1-19:42(The Betrayal and Arrest of Jesus)

The Solemn Reproaches

(After each reading a candle will be extinguished)

O my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you? Answer me!

I led you out of slavery into freedom,

and delivered you through the waters of rebirth,

but you have made a cross for your Savior.

Holy God, Holy and mighty,

Holy immortal One, have mercy upon us.

Sung Response "KYRIE ELEISON" Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son. Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son. Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son. Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son.

O my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you? Answer me!

Forty years I led you through the desert,

feeding you with manna on the way;

I saved you from the time of trial and gave you my body,

the bread of heaven, but you have made a cross for your Savior.

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

> Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son. Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son. Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son. Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son.

O my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you? Answer me!

I led you on your way in a pillar of cloud and fire,

but you led me to the judgment hall of Pilate;

I guided you by the light of the Holy Spirit, but you have made a cross for your Savior. Holy God, Holy and mighty, Holy immortal One, have mercy upon us.

> Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son. Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son. Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son. Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son.

O my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you? Answer me!

I planted you as my fairest vineyard,

but you brought forth bitter fruit;

I made you branches of the vine and never left your side,

but you have made a cross for your Savior.

Holy God, Holy and mighty,

Holy immortal One, have mercy upon us.

Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son. Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son. Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son. Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son.

O my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you? Answer me!

I poured out saving water from the rock,

but you gave me vinegar to drink;

I poured out my life and gave you the new covenant in my blood, but you have made a cross for your Savior.

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

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O my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you? Answer me!

I gave you a royal scepter, but you gave me a crown of thorns;

I gave you the kingdom and crowned you with eternal life,

but you have made a cross for your Savior.

Holy God, Holy and mighty,

Holy immortal One, have mercy upon us.

Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son. Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son. Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son. Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son. O my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you? Answer me!

I struck down your enemies, but you struck my head with a reed; I gave you my peace, but you draw the sword in my name,

and you have made a cross for your Savior.

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

> Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son. Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son. Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son. Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son.

O my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you? Answer me!

I opened the waters to lead you to the promised land,

but you opened my side with a spear;

I washed your feet as a sign of my love,

but you have made a cross for your Savior.

Holy God, Holy and mighty,

Holy immortal One, have mercy upon us.

Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son. Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son. Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son. Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son.

O my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you? Answer me!

I lifted you up to the heights, but you lifted me high on the cross; I raised you from death and prepared for you the tree of life,

but you have made a cross for your Savior.

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

> Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son. Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son. Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son. Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son.

O my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you? Answer me!

I grafted you into my people Israel,

but you made them scapegoats for your own guilt,

and you have made a cross for your Savior.

Holy God, Holy and mighty,

Holy immortal One, have mercy upon us.

Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son. Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son. Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son. Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son.

O my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you? Answer me!

I was hungry and you gave me no food, thirsty and you gave me no drink, 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 made a cross for your Savior.

Holy God, Holy and mighty,

Holy immortal One, have mercy upon us.

Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son. Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son. Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son. Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son.

Period of Silence

Hymn

"WERE YOU THERE?"

Were you there when they cru-ci-fied my Lord? Were you there when they cru-ci-fied my Lord?

O! ---- Some-times it caus-es me to trem-ble, trem-ble, trem-ble. Were you there when they cru-ci-fied my Lord?

> Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?

O! ---- Some-times it caus-es me to trem-ble, trem-ble, trem-ble. Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?

> Were you there when they pierced him in the side? Were you there when they pierced him in the side?

O! ---- Some-times it caus-es me to trem-ble, trem-ble, trem-ble. Were you there when they pierced him in the side?

> Were you there when the sun re-fused to shine? Were you there when the sun re-fused to shine?

O! ---- Some-times it caus-es me to trem-ble, trem-ble, trem-ble. Were you there when the sun re-fused to shine?

Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? O! ---- Some-times it caus-es me to trem-ble, trem-ble, trem-ble. Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? Dismissal

Go in peace.

May Jesus Christ, who for our sake became obedient unto death, even death on a cross,

keep you and strengthen you this night and forever more. Amen.

Please depart in silence. The service continues on Easter Day.

Minister: The Rev. Dr. Wendy Neff <u>ASSISTING IN WORSHIP</u> Pianist: Judy Moyer

"Go to Dark Gethsemane" Text: James Montgomery, 1820, 1825, alt. Music: Richard Redhead, 1853

"Lord, Have Mercy" Text: Trad. Liturgical text Music: Dinah Reindorf, 1987; arr. Sing! A New Creation, 2001 Music © 1887 Dinah Reindorf Music Arr. © 2001 Faith Alive Christian Resources

"Were You There" Text: African American spiritual Music: African American spiritual; arr. Melva Wilson Costen, 1987 Music Arr. © 1990 Melva Wilson Costen

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