

St. Paul's United Church of Christ Henderson, MN

Maundy Thursday Worship April 1, 2021

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Prelude

Ringing of the Bell

\*Call to Worship

He was despised and rejected by His people:

**A man of sorrows, acquainted with grief.**

Surely, He has borne our grief and carried our sorrows.

**Yet we esteemed him stricken, Smitten by God, and afflicted.**

But He was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities;

**And upon him was the chastisement that made us whole,**

**And with his stripes we are healed.**

\* Hymn What Wondrous Love Is This? see insert

\*Prayer of Invocation (In unison)

Spirit of God, come and comfort us in this dark hour as we walk with Jesus on the way to the cross. Set our minds on him who died for us. Grant that we may always be thankful for His sacrifice and that we may live in hope of the Resurrection. In the name of the Crucified One we pray. Amen.

Remembrance of the Last Supper

Invitation Blessing

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving

We thank you gracious God for this meal, which you have given us. As we gather around our own tables in the days ahead, might we be reminded of this table in which you dedicated your life and death to us. Amen.

Hymn Ah, Holy Jesus, How Hast Thou Offended? #128

THE LAST SEVEN WORDS

1 Luke 23:26, 32-38 Father, forgive them, for they know not what they are doing.

Meditation & Prayer

Hymn Were You There? See insert Verse 1

Silent Reflection

2 Luke 23:39-43 Today you will be with me in paradise.

Meditation & Prayer

Hymn Were You There? Verse 2

Silent Reflection

3 John 19:25-27 Woman, here is your son. Here is your mother.

Meditation & Prayer

Hymn Were You There? Verse 3

Silent Reflection

4 Matthew 27:45-46 My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

Meditation & Prayer

Hymn Were You There? Verse 4

Silent Reflection

5 John 19:28-29 I thirst!

Meditation & Prayer

Hymn Were You There? Verse 1

Silent Reflection

6 John 19:30 It is finished!

Meditation & Prayer

Hymn Were You There? Verse 2

Silent Reflection

7 Luke 23:44-46, 52-53 Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.

Meditation & Prayer

Hymn Were You There? Verse 5

Silent Reflection

Confessional Crosses

Invitation & Time of Reflection

Confessional Crosses & Offerings

Words of Forgiveness

The Lord's Prayer (in unison)

\*Hymn When I Survey the Wondrous Cross #129