### The Good Friday Evening Service, seven o'clock

You also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit. Ephesians 2:22

O Jesus, We Adore Thee O Sacred Head, Now Wounded The Response Leader: This is the Word of God. People: Thanks be to Thee, O God. The Prayer for Illumination The Sermon ....... The Rev. Mantle Nance, Pulpit Guest ULTIMATE QUESTIONS ABOUT GOOD FRIDAY Beneath the Cross of Jesus

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## Christ Church, Presbyterian Good Friday, April 18, 2014

# The Noonday Service

Behold! The Lamb of God. St. John 1:29

† indicates the congregation standing; • indicates seating for those detained To avoid distractions during worship, please silence all cell phones and pagers.

The Organ Prelude -	Lamb of God	Burton
	Mrs. Laura Lowe, guest Organi	ist

until the ninth hour. <sup>45</sup>Then the sun was darkened, and the veil of the temple was torn in two.

† The Invocation & The Lord's Prayer ....... Dr. John W. P. Oliver, Missioner

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.

† The Benediction

The Piano Postlude

The Psalte	er Lesson (read responsively)
Leader:	My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me? Why are You so far from helping Me, and from the words of My groaning?
People:	O My God, I cry in the daytime, but You do not hear; And in the night season, and am not silent.
Leader:	But You are holy, enthroned in the praises of Israel.
People:	Our fathers trusted in You; they trusted, and You delivered them.
Leader:	They cried to You, and were delivered; they trusted in You, and were not ashamed.
People:	But I am a worm, and no man; a reproach of men, and despised by the people.
Leader:	All those who see Me ridicule Me; they shoot out the lip, they shake the head, saying,
People:	"He trusted in the Lord, let Him rescue Him; Let Him deliver Him, since He delights in Him!"
Leader:	But You are He who took Me out of the womb; You made Me trust while on My mother's breasts.
People:	I was cast upon You from birth.
•	From My mother's womb You have been My God.
	Be not far from Me, for trouble is near; for there is none to help.
People:	Many bulls have surrounded Me;
	strong bulls of Bashan have encircled Me.
	They gape at Me with their mouths, like a raging and roaring lion.
People:	I am poured out like water, and all My bones are out of joint;
Leader	My heart is like wax; it has melted within Me.  My strength is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue clings to My jaws;
Leader.	You have brought Me to the dust of death.
People:	For dogs have surrounded Me;
	The congregation of the wicked has enclosed Me.
	They pierced My hands and My feet.
Leader:	I can count all My bones. They look and stare at Me.
People:	They divide My garments among them, and for My clothing they cast lots.
Leader:	But You, O Lord, do not be far from Me; O My Strength, hasten to help Me!
People:	Deliver Me from the sword, My precious life from the power of the dog.
Leader:	Save Me from the lion's mouth and from the horns of the wild oxen!
	You have answered Me.
People:	I will declare Your name to My brethren; In the midst of the assembly I will praise You.
Leader:	You who fear the Lord, praise Him!
	All you descendants of Jacob, glorify Him, And fear Him, all you offspring of Israel!
People:	For He has not despised nor abhorred the affliction of the afflicted; Nor has He hidden His face from Him; but when He cried to Him, He heard.
Leader:	My praise shall be of You in the great assembly; I will pay My vows before those who fear Him.
People:	The poor shall eat and be satisfied; Those who seek Him will praise the Lord. Let your heart live forever!
Leader:	All the ends of the world shall remember and turn to the Lord, And all the families of the nations shall worship before You.
People	For the kingdom is the Lord's, and He rules over the nations.
	All the prosperous of the earth shall eat and worship;
Deader	All those who go down to the dust shall bow before Him, Even he who cannot keep himself alive.
People	A posterity shall serve Him.
r copie:	It will be recounted of the Lord to the next generation.
Leader:	They will come and declare His righteousness to a people who will be born, That He has done this.

+	The Hymn No. 254 (Trinity Hymnal)	MARTYRDON
'	Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed	

O, to see the dawn of the darkest day; Christ on the road to Calvary.

Tried by sinful men, torn and beaten, then nailed to a cross of wood.

O, to see the pain written on Your face, bearing the awesome weight of sin.

Every bitter thought, every evil deed crowning Your bloodstained brow.

This the power of the cross: Christ became sin for us.

Took the blame, bore the wrath; we stand forgiven at the cross.

Now the daylight flees; now the ground beneath quakes as its Maker bows His head.

Curtain torn in two, dead are raised to life - "Finished!" the victory cry. Refrain.

O, to see my name written in the wounds, for through Your suffering I am free.

Death is crushed to death, life is mine to live, won through Your selfless love!

This the power of the cross: Son of God, slain for us.

What a love, what a cost! We stand forgiven at the cross.

Josiah Jones and Mark Nabholz

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<sup>1</sup>So then Pilate took Jesus and scourged Him. <sup>2</sup>And the soldiers twisted a crown of thorns and put it on His head, and they put on Him a purple robe. <sup>3</sup>Then they said, "Hail, King of the Jews!" And they struck Him with their hands.

<sup>4</sup>Pilate then went out again, and said to them, "Behold, I am bringing Him out to you, that you may know that I find no fault in Him."

<sup>5</sup>Then Jesus came out, wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe. And Pilate said to them, "Behold the Man!"

<sup>6</sup>Therefore, when the chief priests and officers saw Him, they cried out, saying, "Crucify Him, crucify Him!"

Pilate said to them, "You take Him and crucify Him, for I find no fault in Him."

<sup>7</sup>The Jews answered him, "We have a law, and according to our law He ought to die, because He made Himself the Son of God."

<sup>8</sup>Therefore, when Pilate heard that saying, he was the more afraid, <sup>9</sup>and went again into the Praetorium, and said to Jesus, "Where are You from?" But Jesus gave him no answer.

<sup>10</sup> Then Pilate said to Him, "Are You not speaking to me? Do You not know that I have power to crucify You, and power to release You?"

<sup>11</sup>Jesus answered, "You could have no power at all against Me unless it had been given you from above. Therefore the one who delivered Me to you has the greater sin."

<sup>12</sup>From then on Pilate sought to release Him, but the Jews cried out, saying, "If you let this Man go, you are not Caesar's friend. Whoever makes himself a king speaks against Caesar."

<sup>13</sup>When Pilate therefore heard that saying, he brought Jesus out and sat down in the judgment seat in a place that is called The Pavement, but in Hebrew, Gabbatha. <sup>14</sup>Now it was the Preparation Day of the Passover, and about the sixth hour. And he said to the Jews, "Behold your King!"

 $^{\rm 15} But$  they cried out, "Away with Him, away with Him! Crucify Him!"

Pilate said to them, "Shall I crucify your King?"

The chief priests answered, "We have no king but Caesar!"

<sup>16</sup>Then he delivered Him to them to be crucified. So they took Jesus and led Him away.

#### (Congregation stands)

<sup>17</sup>And He, bearing His cross, went out to a place called the Place of a Skull, which is called in Hebrew, Golgotha, <sup>18</sup>where they crucified Him, and two others with Him, one on either side, and Jesus in the center. <sup>19</sup>Now Pilate wrote a title and put it on the cross. And the writing was: JESUS OF NAZARETH, THE KING OF THE JEWS.

<sup>20</sup>Then many of the Jews read this title, for the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city; and it was written in Hebrew, Greek, and Latin.

<sup>21</sup>Therefore the chief priests of the Jews said to Pilate, "Do not write, 'The King of the Jews,' but, 'He said, "I am the King of the Jews.""

<sup>22</sup>Pilate answered, "What I have written, I have written."

<sup>23</sup>Then the soldiers, when they had crucified Jesus, took His garments and made four parts, to each soldier a part, and also the tunic. Now the tunic was without seam, woven from the top in one piece. <sup>24</sup>They said therefore among themselves, "Let us not tear it, but cast lots for it, whose it shall be," that the Scripture might be fulfilled which says:

"They divided My garments among them, And for My clothing they cast lots."

Therefore the soldiers did these things.

<sup>25</sup>Now there stood by the cross of Jesus His mother, and His mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. <sup>26</sup>When Jesus therefore saw His mother, and the disciple whom He loved standing by, He said to His mother, "Woman, behold your son!" <sup>27</sup>Then He said to the disciple, "Behold your mother!" And from that hour that disciple took her to his own home.

<sup>28</sup>After this, Jesus, knowing that all things were now accomplished, that the Scripture might be fulfilled, said, "I thirst!" <sup>29</sup>Now a vessel full of sour wine was sitting there; and they filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on hyssop, and put it to His mouth. <sup>30</sup>So when Jesus had received the sour wine, He said, "It is finished!" And bowing His head, He gave up His spirit.

<sup>31</sup>Therefore, because it was the Preparation Day, that the bodies should not remain on the cross on the Sabbath (for that Sabbath was a high day), the Jews asked Pilate that their legs might be broken, and that they might be taken away. <sup>32</sup>Then the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first and of the other who was crucified with Him. <sup>33</sup>But when they came to Jesus and saw that He was already dead, they did not break His legs. <sup>34</sup>But one of the soldiers pierced His side with a spear, and immediately blood and water came out. <sup>35</sup>And he who has seen has testified, and his testimony is true; and he knows that he is telling the truth, so that you may believe. <sup>36</sup>For these things were done that the Scripture should be fulfilled, "Not one of His bones shall be broken." <sup>37</sup>And again another Scripture says, "They shall look on Him whom they pierced."

The Sermon - THE INTERPOSITION OF CHRIST...... Dr. Oliver

#### The Closing Prayer (in unison)

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, we pray you to set your passion, cross, and death between your judgment and our souls, now and in the hour of our death. Give mercy and grace to the living, and to your holy Church peace and concord: and to us sinners everlasting life and glory, for with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, one God, now and forever. Amen.

#### † The Dismissal

Let the congregation depart from the sanctuary in silence.