

Jesus' Last Seven Words

- "My God, My God, Why have you forsaken me?"
- "Truly, I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."
- "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing?"
- "Woman, here is your son. Here is your mother"
- "I am thirsty"
- "It is finished!"
- "Father, into your hands I commit my spirit!"

Time at the cross and reflection

While we sing the hymn, "The Old Rugged Cross" UMH #504, I encourage you to write what you have done wrong and come forward and nail your sins to the cross.

The cross is covered

Benediction

By his stripes, we are healed. By his wounds, we are made whole. Go in the name of Jesus Christ and live in the salvation made possible by the Goodness of this Friday. Amen.

Good Friday Service April 15, 2022



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GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE ORDER

Lighting of the Candles

Word of Welcome

Call to Worship

L: We gather tonight in the shadow of the cross.

P: Evil abounds. Jesus goes forth to suffer and die.

L: How we tremble with fear!

P: How we weep.

L: Why have we forsaken Him?

P: Why have we betrayed and run from his Passion?

L: Lord, have mercy upon us.

P: Christ, have mercy upon us.

Prayer

Lord, we come before you in the approaching darkness of our souls. We have traveled this Lenten journey, overcoming and conquering barriers that have kept us from serving you. We gathered at the gates of joy on Palm Sunday, and feasted at the Lord's Table yesterday. But today is a different story. We witness the arrest and trial of the Innocent Savior. We watch as he is moved brutally from place to place, to be judged by people who have hardened their hearts against you. The sorrow that we feel lies heavy upon us. Lift us, Lord. Comfort us. Help us get through this time of darkness. AMEN.

Opening Hymn

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“Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed”

Scripture John 19: 28-30 and Luke 23: 44-49

Later, knowing that everything had now been finished, and so that Scripture would be fulfilled, Jesus said, “I am thirsty.” A jar of wine vinegar was there, so they soaked a sponge in it, put the sponge on a stalk of the hyssop plant, and lifted it to Jesus’ lips. When he had received the drink, Jesus said, “It is finished.” With that, he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, for the sun stopped shining. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two. Jesus called out with a loud voice, “Father, into your hands I commit my spirit.” When he had said this, he breathed his last.

The centurion, seeing what had happened, praised God and said, “Surely this was a righteous man.” When all the people who had gathered to witness this sight saw what took place, they beat their breasts and went away. But all those who knew him, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things.

Message

Pastor Peter Choi

“It is Finished”

“Father, into Your Hands I Commit My Spirit”

Hymn

“Are Ye Able”

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