

WESTMINSTER

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

April 2 and 3, AD 2026

Maundy Thursday and Good Friday



*"THE GRASS WITHERS, THE FLOWER FADES, BUT THE WORD OF
OUR GOD WILL STAND FOREVER."*

- ISAIAH 40:8 -



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† *Those who are able, please stand.*

Maundy Thursday

Prelude

Ms. Bertha Dykstra

When Jesus Wept
(Billings, arr. Ringhan)

Go to Dark Gethsemane
(Redhead, arr. F. Ritter)

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Amos 8:9, Zech. 13:1, Ps. 75:8, 16:10

Leader: “And on that day,” declares the Lord God, “I will make the sun go down at noon and darken the earth in broad daylight. On that day there shall be a fountain opened for the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, to cleanse them from sin and uncleanness.”

People: For in the hand of the Lord there is a cup with foaming wine, well mixed, and he pours out from it, and all the wicked of the earth shall drain it down to the dregs.

All: For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol, or let your holy one see corruption.

† Hymn of Adoration

Praise the Savior Now and Ever

#335

† Invocation

Confession of Faith

Westminster Confession of Faith VIII.V

The Lord Jesus, by his perfect obedience, and sacrifice of himself, which he, through the eternal Spirit, once offered up unto God, hath fully satisfied the justice of his Father; and purchased, not only reconciliation, but an everlasting inheritance in the kingdom of heaven, for all those whom the Father hath given unto him.

Reading of the Law of God

Exodus 20:1-17; Matthew 22:37-40

Leader: **God spoke all these words saying, I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.**

All: You shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make unto yourself any graven image. You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain. Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Honor your father and your mother. You shall not kill. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness. You shall not covet. Hear also the words of our Lord Jesus, how he said: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

Silent Confession of Personal Sins

Corporate Confession of Sin

Have mercy on us, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out our transgressions. Wash us thoroughly from our iniquity and cleanse us from our sin. Amen. (Adapted from Psalm 51:1-2).

Assurance of Pardon

Isaiah 53:11-12, pg. 614

Denial and Agony

Matthew 26:30-46, pg. 832

† Hymn of Meditation *Ah, Holy Jesus, How Hast Thou Offended* #337, vv. 1-3

Betrayal, Arrest, and Abandonment

Matthew 26:47-56, pg. 833

† Hymn of Meditation *Ah, Holy Jesus, How Hast Thou Offended* #337, vv. 4-5

Offertory and Deacons Offering

Ms. Bertha Dykstra

O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High
(Hymn #261, arr. Krug)

Proclamation of the Word of God

Mr. Joe Steele

“Dependence, Agony, and Love in the Garden”

Luke 22:39-46

pg. 882

† Communion Hymn *What Wondrous Love Is This*

#343, vv. 1-2

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

*The inner circles of purple cups contain wine and the outer circles of clear cups contain grape juice.
The bread is gluten free. Please hold each element until all have been served so that we may partake
together.*

† Communion Hymn *What Wondrous Love Is This*

#343, vv. 3-4

† Benediction

† Doxology

#567

† Postlude

Ms. Bertha Dykstra

O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus!
(Hymn #463)

Praise the Savior Now and Ever

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1. Praise the Sav-ior now and ev - er; praise him, all be - neath the skies;
 2. Man's work fail - eth, Christ's a - vail - eth; he is all our righ - teous - ness;
 3. Sin's bond sev - ered, we're de - liv - ered; Christ has bruised the ser - pent's head;
 4. For his fa - vor, praise for - ev - er un - to God the Fa - ther sing;

pros - trate ly - ing, suf - f'ring, dy - ing on the cross, a sac - ri - fice.
 he, our Sav - ior, has for - ev - er set us free from dire dis - tress.
 death no long - er is the strong - er; hell it - self is cap - tive led.
 praise the Sav - ior, praise him ev - er, Son of God, our Lord and King.

Vic - t'ry gain - ing, life ob - tain - ing, now in glo - ry he doth rise.
 Thro' his mer - it we in - her - it light and peace and hap - pi - ness.
 Christ has ris - en from death's pris - on; o'er the tomb he light has shed.
 Praise the Spir - it; thro' Christ's mer - it he doth us sal - va - tion bring.

Venantius H. C. Fortunatus, ca. 530–609
 Tr. Augustus Nelson, 1863–1949

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 Koralbok, 1697

Ah, Holy Jesus, How Hast Thou Offended

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1. Ah, ho - ly Je - sus, how hast thou of - fend - ed,
 2. Who was the guilt - y who brought this up - on thee?
 3. Lo, the Good Shep - herd for the sheep is of - fered;
 4. For me, kind Je - sus, was thine in - car - na - tion,
 5. There - fore kind Je - sus, since I can - not pay thee,

that man to judge thee hath in hate pre - tend - ed? By foes de -
 A - las, my trea - son, Je - sus hath un - done thee. 'Twas I, Lord
 • the slave hath sin - ned, and the Son hath suf - fered: for man's a -
 thy mor - tal sor - row, and thy life's ob - la - tion: thy death of
 I do a - dore thee, and will ev - er pray thee, think on thy

rid - ed, by thine own re - ject - ed, O most af - flict - ed.
 Je - sus, I it was de - nied thee: I cru - ci - fied thee.
 • tone - ment, while he noth - ing heed - eth, God in - ter - ced - eth.
 an - guish and thy bit - ter pas - sion, for my sal - va - tion.
 pit - y and thy love un - swerv - ing, not my de - serv - ing.

What Wondrous Love Is This

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1. What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul, what
 2. When I was sink-ing down, sink-ing down, sink-ing down, when
 3. To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing, to
 4. And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on, and

won - drous love is this, O my soul! What won - drous love is
 I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down; when I was sink - ing
 God and to the Lamb, I will sing; to God and to the
 when from death I'm free, I'll sing on; and when from death I'm

this that caused the Lord of bliss to bear the dread - ful curse for my
 down be - neath God's righ - teous frown, Christ laid a - side his crown for my
 Lamb, who is the great I AM, while mil - lions join the theme, I will
 free, I'll sing and joy - ful be, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing

soul, for my soul, to bear the dread - ful curse for my soul!
 soul, for my soul, Christ laid a - side his crown for my soul!
 sing, I will sing, while mil - lions join the theme, I will sing!
 on, I'll sing on, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on!

American folk hymn

WONDROUS LOVE 12.9.6.6.12.9.
 William Walker, *The Southern Harmony*, 1835

Good Friday

Prelude

Ms. Bertha Dykstra

Down at the Cross

(Stockton, arr. R. Loree)

Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed

(Hymn #341, arr. F. Ritter)

Throned Upon the Awful Tree

(Hymn #345)

Welcome and Announcements

† Call to Worship

Isaiah 53:4-6; Galatians 1:3-5

Leader: Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; he was wounded for our transgressions; he was bruised for our iniquities. All we like sheep have gone astray; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

All: The Lord Jesus Christ gave himself for our sins to deliver us from the present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father—to him give glory forever and ever. Amen.

† Hymn of Adoration *O Sacred Head, Now Wounded* #336

† Invocation

The Suffering Matthew 27:15-31 pg. 834

† Hymn of Meditation *Hark! the Voice of Love and Mercy* #339, vv. 1-2

The Crucifixion Matthew 27:32-44 pg. 834

† Hymn of Meditation *Hark! the Voice of Love and Mercy* #339, vv. 3-4

The Death and Burial Matthew 27:45-61 pg. 834

Homily and Prayer Mr. Stephen St. John

"Canceling the Record of Debt"

Colossians 2:13-15 pg. 984

† Hymn of Response *Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted* #342

† Benediction

The Congregation is asked to leave the service in silence today but return in joyous hope for morning worship this Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

1. O sa - cred Head, now wound - ed, with grief and shame weighed down;
 2. What thou, my Lord, hast suf - fered was all for sin - ners' gain:
 3. What lan - guage shall I bor - row to thank thee, dear - est Friend,

now scorn - ful - ly sur - round - ed with thorns, thine on - ly crown;
 mine, mine was the trans - gres - sion, but thine the dead - ly pain.
 for this, thy dy - ing sor - row, thy pit - y with - out end?

O sa - cred Head, what glo - ry, what bliss 'til now was thine!
 Lo, here I fall, my Sav - ior! 'Tis I de - serve thy place;
 O make me thine for - ev - er; and should I faint - ing be,

Yet, though de - spised and gor - y, I joy to call thee mine.
 look on me with thy fa - vor, vouch - safe to me thy grace.
 Lord, let me nev - er, nev - er out - live my love to thee.

Hark! the Voice of Love and Mercy

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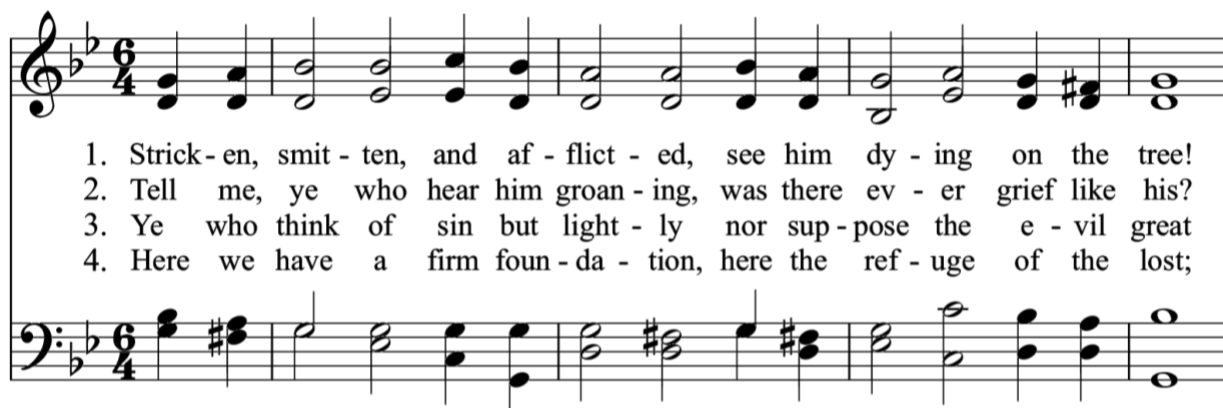
1. Hark! the voice of love and mer-cy sounds a-loud from Cal-va-ry;
 2. "It is fin-ished!" O what plea-sure do these pre-cious words af-ford;
 3. Fin-ished all the types and shad-ows of the cer-e-mo-nial law;
 4. Tune your harps a-new, ye ser-aphs, join to sing the glo-rious theme;

see, it rends the rocks a-sun-der, shakes the earth, and veils the sky:
 heav'n-ly bless-ings, with-out mea-sure, flow to us from Christ the Lord:
 fin-ished all that God had prom-ised; death and hell no more shall awe:
 all in earth, and all in heav-en, join to praise Em-man-uel's name:

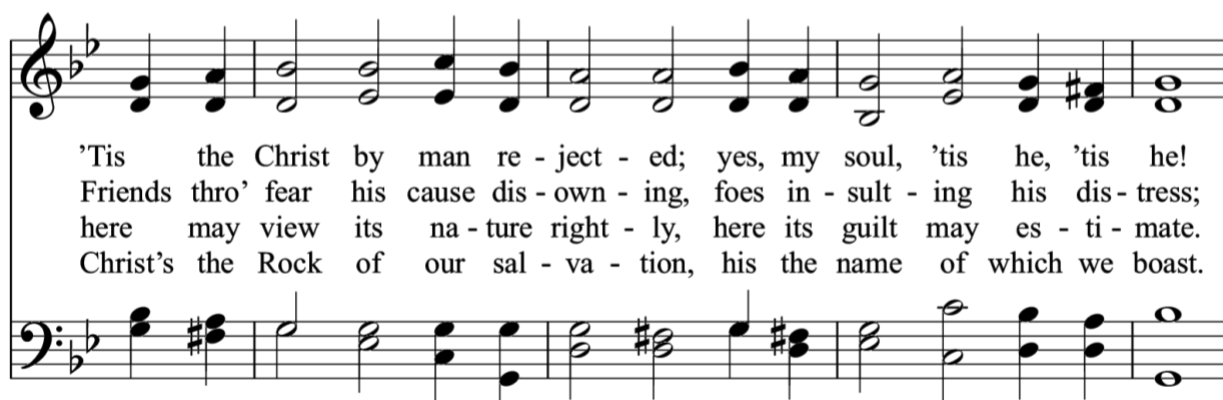
"It is fin-ished! It is fin-ished! It is fin-ished!"
 "It is fin-ished! It is fin-ished! It is fin-ished!"
 "It is fin-ished! It is fin-ished! It is fin-ished!"
 Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

Hear the dy-ing Sav-ior cry; hear the dy-ing Sav-ior cry.
 Saints the dy-ing words re-cord; saints the dy-ing words re-cord.
 Saints, from hence your com-fort draw; saints, from hence your com-fort draw.
 Glo-ry to the bleed-ing Lamb! Glo-ry to the bleed-ing Lamb!

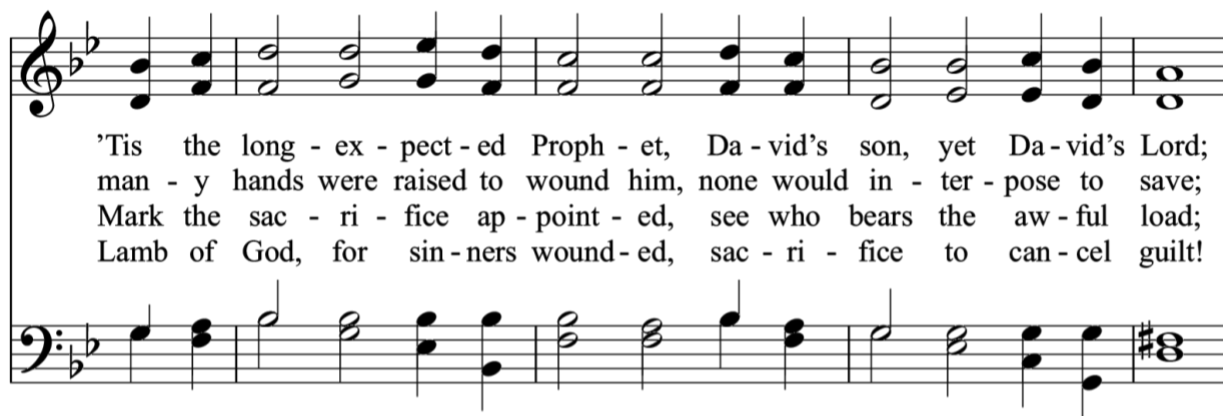
Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted



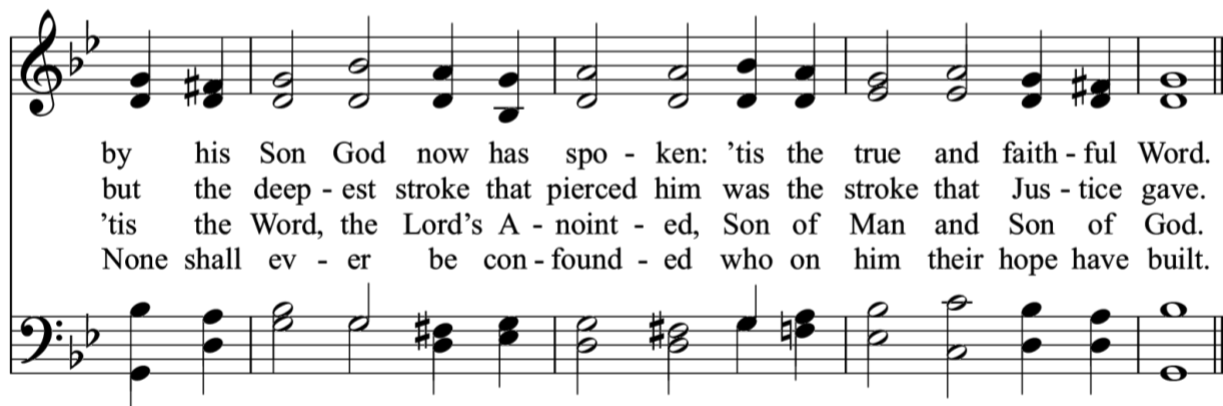
1. Strick - en, smit - ten, and af - flict - ed, see him dy - ing on the tree!
 2. Tell me, ye who hear him groan - ing, was there ev - er grief like his?
 3. Ye who think of sin but light - ly nor sup - pose the e - vil great
 4. Here we have a firm foun - da - tion, here the ref - uge of the lost;



'Tis the Christ by man re - ject - ed; yes, my soul, 'tis he, 'tis he!
 Friends thro' fear his cause dis - own - ing, foes in - sult - ing his dis - tress;
 here may view its na - ture right - ly, here its guilt may es - ti - mate.
 Christ's the Rock of our sal - va - tion, his the name of which we boast.



'Tis the long - ex - pect - ed Proph - et, Da - vid's son, yet Da - vid's Lord;
 man - y hands were raised to wound him, none would in - ter - pose to save;
 Mark the sac - ri - fice ap - point - ed, see who bears the aw - ful load;
 Lamb of God, for sin - ners wound - ed, sac - ri - fice to can - cel guilt!



by his Son God now has spo - ken: 'tis the true and faith - ful Word.
 but the deep - est stroke that pierced him was the stroke that Jus - tice gave.
 'tis the Word, the Lord's A - noint - ed, Son of Man and Son of God.
 None shall ev - er be con - found - ed who on him their hope have built.