

“Were You There?”

Vs 1:

Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

Vs 2:

Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?

Vs 3:

Were you there when they pierced him in the side?
Were you there when they pierced him in the side?
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they pierced him in the side?

Vs 4:

Were you there when the sun refused to shine?
Were you there when the sun refused to shine?
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when the sun refused to shine?

Vs 5:

Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

"Enter to Worship – Depart to Serve" CHAPEL HILL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Good Friday

April 2, 2021

All of Us Ministers

Pastor Brenda Gordon

PRELUDE:

WELCOME:

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: O God, today the earth has lost the Light

People: Darkness wove a shroud for the sun.

Leader: In grief God rends the temple's cloak

People: God's holy heart is breaking.

Leader: My God, my God, what have we done?

People: We've caused the death of God's own Son.

OPENING PRAYER:

O Lord Jesus Christ, you are Alpha and Omega, the Beginning and End of all things, the Word of God spoken at creation. Come to us now as we remember your Passion. We give you thanks, O God. Knowing what our salvation would entail in terms of your personal suffering, you still spoke the Word and brought into being all of creation. Grant that we may live our lives in the assurance that you love each of us so much that you undertook our creation despite the fact that it would cost you your life. Amen.

HYMN:

“O Sacred Head Now Wounded”

UMH 296

LITANY FROM ISAIAH 52:13-53:12 (NASB):

L: See, my servant shall prosper; he shall be exalted and lifted up and shall be very high. Just as there were many who were astonished at him – so marred was his appearance, beyond human semblance, and his form beyond that of mortals –

P: So, he shall startle many nations; kings shall shut their mouths because of him; for that which had not been told them they shall see, and that which they had not heard they shall contemplate.

L: Who has believed what we have heard? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?

P. For he grew up before him like a young plant, and like a root out of dry ground; he had no form or majesty that we should look at him, nothing in his appearance that we should desire him.

L: He was despised and rejected by others; a man of suffering and acquainted with infirmity; and as one from whom others hid their faces he was despised, and we held him of no account.

P: Surely, he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted.

L: But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

P: He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before it's shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth.

L: By a perversion of justice, he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future; For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people.

P: They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth.

L: Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him with pain.

P: When you make his life an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the LORD shall prosper.

L: Out of his anguish he shall see light; he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge. The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities.

P: Therefore, I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out himself to death and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many and made intercession for the transgressors.

ANTHEM:

SCRIPTURE: John 1:1-5

WORD 1: "Father forgive them. They don't know what they do." (*Luke 23:34*)

READER 1: Matthew 26:14-16, 20-25

1st candle extinguished

WORD 2: "I Thirst!" (*John 19:28*)

READER 2: Matthew 26:26-35

2nd candle extinguished

WORD 3: "My God, My God, why have you forsaken me?" (*Matthew 27:46*)

READER 3: Matthew 26:36-50, 55-56

3rd candle extinguished

WORD 4: "Woman behold your son—Behold your mother." (*John 19:26-27*)

READER 4: Matthew 26:57-75

4th candle extinguished

WORD 5: "Father, into your hands I commit my spirit." (*Luke 23:46*)

READER 5: Matthew 27:1-2, 11-17, 20-26

5th candle extinguished

WORD 6: "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise." (*Luke 23:43*)

READER 6: Matthew 27:32-50

6th candle extinguished

WORD 7: "It is finished." (*John 19:30*)

READER 7: Matthew 27:51-61)

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We appreciate your gifts in the offering plate at the back of the sanctuary.

HYMN: "Were You There" on the back

(process to the hill as we sing)

READING: Psalm 22

*When the reading is completed and the book closed,
please exit the area in silence.*

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