

CARMICHAEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

March 29, 2024

Livestream & In-Person

7:00 p.m.

PRELUDE

"Were You There"

African American Spiritual

Alex Moborez, French Horn; Keith Atwater, Trombone

arr. Lynn L. Petersen

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Childcare is available in Room 102)

CALL TO WORSHIP

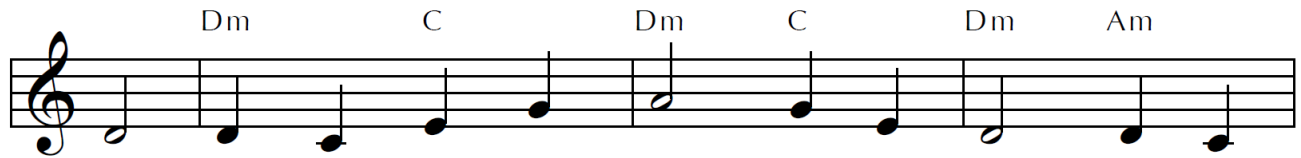
Pastor: Today God makes common cause with our human suffering.

People: We read the Scriptures, sing the hymns, experience the emotions of the day Christ died.

Pastor: Suffering is not rational. It has no answer.

People: But in the cross God meets us in our suffering.

Pastor: From this day forward, we know that there is nowhere we can go where God is not with us.



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



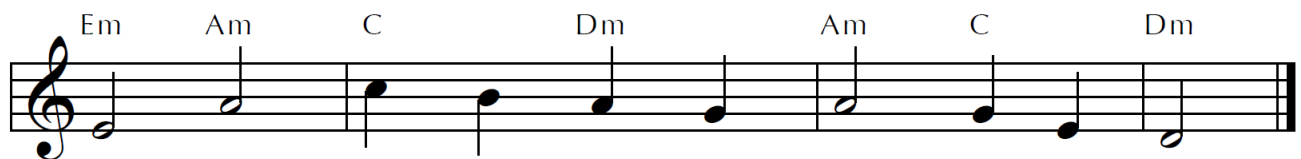
soul, what won - drous love is this, O my soul! What
 down, when I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down, when
 sing, to God and to the Lamb, I will sing; to
 on; and when from death I'm free, I'll sing on; and



won - drous love is this that caused the Lord of
 I was sink - ing down be - neath God's righ - teous
 God and to the Lamb who is the great I
 when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joy - ful



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



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

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Pastor: In Christ, we have a great high priest who knows our every weakness. He has been tested as we are, yet his faithfulness never failed.

Therefore, we dare to approach the throne of grace, trusting God's mercy as we confess our sin.

Lord Jesus Christ, we confess to you: like sheep, we all go astray.

People: Lamb of God, have mercy on us.

Pastor: We betray you; we deny you; like sheep, we all go astray.

People: Lamb of God, have mercy on us.

Pastor: We mock you; we scorn you; like sheep, we all go astray.

People: Lamb of God, have mercy on us.

Pastor: We abandon you; we forsake you; like sheep, we all go astray.

People: Lamb of God, have mercy on us.

Pastor: We condemn you; we crucify you; like sheep, we all go astray.

People: Lamb of God, have mercy on us.

Pastor: Lamb of God, have mercy on us,

People: and by your grace, Lord Jesus Christ, save us from our sin.

Silence

Pastor: Let us live in the full assurance of our faith, with our hearts cleansed of all evil and our bodies washed with living water. This is the good news of Good Friday: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God.

HIS FINAL WORDS

developed by Karen Orlando
directed by Karen Orlando and Rodney Dahlberg

Readers:

Rodney Dahlberg, Tim Farley, Kathy Lewin,
Beth Lindley, and Jim Wurz

“A Gate Called Truth”

by Ann Weems

SILENCE

Scripture of the Final Day

1 They cru - ci - fied my Lord,
 2 They nailed him to a tree,
 3 They pierced him in the side, and he nev - er said a
 4 The blood came trick - a - lin' down,
 5 He bowed his head and died,

mum - ba - lin' word; they cru - ci - fied my Lord,
 they nailed him to a tree,
 they pierced him in the side,
 the blood came trick - a - lin' down,
 he bowed his head and died,

and he nev - er said a mum - ba - lin' word.

Not a word, not a word, not a word.

PRAYER

Pastor: We stand near the cross, O God – disturbed, distraught, discouraged. Yet we gather here as disciples, those whom Jesus loves. In the face of such suffering, show us the face of our Savior. In the shadow of such evil, show us the light of your grace. On this day of great solemnity, let us stand as witnesses to your great love for all the world, revealed in the outstretched arms of Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

“Father, forgive them for they do not know what they are doing.”

SILENCE

“Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise.”

SILENCE

HYMN

“O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High”

No. 618
Glory to God

1 O love, how deep, how broad, how high, be - yond all
 2 For us bap - tized, for us he bore his ho - ly
 3 For us by wick - ed - ness be - trayed, for us, in
 4 For us he rose from death a - gain; for us he
 5 All glo - ry to our Lord and God, for love so

thought and fan - ta - sy, that God, the Son of
 fast and hun - gered sore; for us temp - ta - tions
 crown of thorns ar - rayed, he bore the shame - ful
 went on high to reign; for us he sent the
 deep, so high, so broad: the Trin - i - ty whom

God, should take our mor - tal form for mor - tals' sake.
 sharp he knew, for us, the tempt - er o - ver - threw.
 cross and death; for us gave up his dy - ing breath.
 Spir - it here to guide, to strength - en, and to cheer.
 we a - dore for - ev - er and for - ev - er - more.

“Woman, here is your son. Here is your mother.”

SILENCE

“My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”

SILENCE

SPECIAL MUSIC

“My Song Is Love Unknown”
Sanctuary Choir Ensemble

Samuel Crossman
John Ireland

“I am thirsty.”

SILENCE

“It is finished.”

SILENCE

HYMN

“On a Barren Hilltop”

No. 217
Glory to God



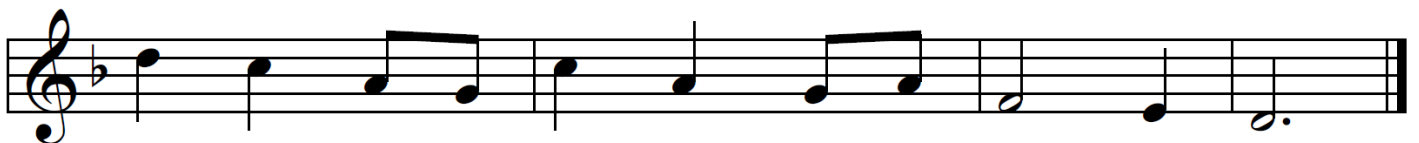
1 On a bar - ren hill - top just out - side the walls
2 Test - ed just as we are, in a world of strife,
3 Let us then come bold - ly to the heaven - ly throne,



of an an - cient cit - y as the eve - ning falls,
through the pain and con - flict of a hu - man life,
where our hu - man weak - ness is so ful - ly known,



speaks a dy - ing fig - ure hang - ing on a tree,
here at last com - plet - ed with his fi - nal breath
and the mer - cy giv - en by which we are freed,



say - ing “It is fin - ished,” words of vic - to - ry.
is a life tri - um - phant o - ver sin and death.
and the grace pro - vid - ed for our time of need.

“Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.”

HYMN

“Beneath the Cross of Jesus”

No. 216
Glory to God



1 Be - neath the cross of Je - sus I fain would take my stand,
2 Up - on the cross of Je - sus mine eye at times can see
3 I take, O cross, thy shad - ow for my a - bid - ing place;



the shad - ow of a might - y rock with - in a wea - ry land;
the ver - y dy - ing form of One who suf - fered there for me;
I ask no oth - er sun - shine than the sun - shine of his face;



a home with - in the wil - der - ness, a rest up - on the way,
and from my strick - en heart with tears two won - ders I con - fess:
con - tent to let the world go by, to know no gain or loss,



from the burn - ing of the noon - tide heat, and the bur - den of the day.
the won - ders of re - deem - ing love and my un - wor - thi - ness.
my sin - ful self my on - ly shame, my glo - ry all the cross.



SENDING IN SILENCE

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Please Join Us!

Easter Sunday, March 31

Sunrise Service

at 6841 Stanley Ave. at 6:45 a.m.

Easter Worship

at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

in the Sanctuary and via Livestream at

<https://www.youtube.com/@carmichaelpres>

