OPENING MUSIC: Drop, slow tears of anguish

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Drop, slow tears of anguish, sing of love unknown; watch as in the garden Jesus weeps alone, seeking strength to finish what he has begun: "Through this cup of suffering let your will be done."

Peter, at the fireside, weep your bitter tears; give up to your Saviour all your shame and fears. He will still forgive you, Christ who freely gave; let him take your failures with him to the grave.

Shed your tears of sorrow: Christ hangs on the cross; Mary, standing by him, weeps her love and loss. See the blood and water, balm distilled from pain: by his wounds he heals us, bringing life again.

Wipe our eyes, O Saviour, in the darkest night; as we long to see you in the dawning light. When the world feels broken, trapped behind a stone, raise us up and teach us songs of love made known. © Ally Barrett / Jubilate

WELCOME and CALL TO WORSHIP

(based on 1 Peter 2: 21-25)

One: Christ suffered for us, leaving us an example, so that we should follow in his steps.

All: He committed no sin,
and no deceit was found in his mouth.
When he was abused,
he did not return abuse;
when he suffered,
he did not threaten;
but entrusted himself
to the one who judges justly.

One: He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross,

All: so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness.

One: By his wounds we have been healed.

All: For we were going astray like sheep,
but now we have returned
to the shepherd and guardian of our souls.

SONG: When I survey the wondrous cross

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When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died, my richest gain I count as loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast save in the cross of Christ my God; the very things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood.

See from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down: when did such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

His lifeblood, like a crimson robe, flows o'er his body on the tree: then I am dead to all the globe, and all the globe is dead to me!

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were an offering far too small; love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all! Isaac Watts (1674-1748) alt. (Public Domain)

PRAYER

MATTHEW 26: 36-46 (New English Translation)

SONG: I stand amazed

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I stand amazed in the presence of Jesus the Nazarene, and wonder how he could love me, a sinner, condemned, unclean.

How marvellous! how wonderful! and my song shall ever be; how marvellous! how wonderful! is my Saviour's love for me!

For me it was in the garden he prayed, 'Not my will, but thine'; he had no tears for his own griefs, but sweat drops of blood for mine.

How marvellous...

He took my sins and my sorrows; he made them his very own; he bore the burden to Calvary, and suffered and died alone.

How marvellous...

When with the ransomed in glory his face I at last shall see, 'twill be my joy through the ages to sing of his love for me.

How marvellous... Chas. H. Gabriel (1856-1932)

MATTHEW 26: 57-58a, 69-75

REFLECTION: Almighty God of mercy

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Almighty God of mercy,
we've strayed like wayward sheep
Our hearts inclined to wander,
your laws we've failed to keep.
We've chosen sin and darkness,
left acts of love undone.
There is no health within us:
have mercy through your Son.

O good and gracious Father, we ask to be made new. Obedient and righteous, to live afresh for you. As we confess our failings, restore our broken lives, according to your promise, in our Lord Jesus Christ.

Lord, have mercy and forgive us. Christ, have mercy and deliver us. Lord, have mercy and renew us. We ask with full assurance because of your great love. According to your promise, have mercy through your Son.

Almighty God and Father, you promise to forgive. We turn to you for pardon, we come that we might live.
O grant your Holy Spirit to purify our souls and bring us home to Jesus, our glory and our goal.

Lord, have mercy... (x2) © 2023 Tim Chester, Liv Chapman & Alanna Glover

JOHN 19:16b-18, 25-35, 41-42

REFLECTIONS

PRAYER

SONG: Here is love, vast as the ocean

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Here is love, vast as the ocean, loving kindness as the flood, when the Prince of life, our ransom, shed for us His precious blood. Who His love will not remember? Who can cease to sing His praise? He can never be forgotten, throughout heaven's eternal days.

Grace takes my sin, calls me friend, pays my debt completely.
Love rescued me, seated me with my King for evermore.

On the mount of crucifixion, fountains opened deep and wide. Through the floodgates of God's mercy flowed a vast and gracious tide. Grace and love like mighty rivers poured incessant from above. Heaven's peace and perfect justice kissed a guilty world in love.

Grace takes my sin...

Let me all Your love accepting, love You ever all my days.
Let me seek Your kingdom only and my life be to Your praise.
You alone shall be my glory, nothing in the world I see.
You have cleansed and sanctified me, God Himself has set me free.

Grace takes my sin...

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DISMISSAL

Go in peace.

May Jesus Christ, who for our sake became obedient even to the point of death, and even to death on a cross, may he keep you and strengthen you and may the blessing of God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit rest upon you and remain with you this night and for ever. **Amen**

CLOSING MUSIC: Is He Worthy?

Watch video: https://youtu.be/QRfxn4d onk

Do you feel the world is broken? We do.
Do you feel the shadows deepen? We do.
But do you know that all the dark
won't stop the light from getting through? We do.
Do you wish

that you could see it all made new? We do.

Is all creation groaning? It is.
Is a new creation coming? It is.
Is the glory of the Lord
to be the light within our midst? It is.
Is it good that we remind ourselves of this? It is.

Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole?
Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll?
The Lion of Judah who conquered the grave,
He is David's Root and the Lamb
who died to ransom the slave.

Is He worthy? Is He worthy?
Of all blessing and honour and glory?
Is He worthy of this? *He is.*

Does the Father truly love us? *He does*.

Does the Spirit move among us? *He does*.

And does Jesus our Messiah
hold forever those He loves? *He does*.

Does our God intend to dwell again with us? *He does*.

Is anyone worthy? ...

From ev'ry people and tribe, ev'ry nation and tongue, He has made us a kingdom and priests to God to reign with the Son.

Is He worthy? Is He worthy?
Of all blessing and honour and glory?
Is He worthy? Is He worthy?
Is He worthy of this? He is.

Is He worthy? Is He worthy? He is. He is. Andrew Peterson & Ben Shive ©2018 Capitol CMG Genesis; Junkbox; Vamos; Jakedoq

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Welcome to this Good Friday service

EASTER DAY

Sunrise Service with Penicuik Churches Together 5.55am at Broomhill followed by breakfast

Easter All Age Service 11am in the church.

at St James the Less

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