Seven Moments

A service of prayer and reflection for Good Friday



A cooperative Good Friday Service

First Presbyterian Church & Zion Lutheran Church

April 7, 2023 at 7:00pm

at First Presbyterian Church

Welcome.

We are glad that you are here. This is a place where all people are welcome. We hope that your spirit is fed as we worship God, together. We are especially glad that our two churches and worshipping together for the second year in a row. It's now a tradition!

About Worship.

- An asterisk (*) indicates that people may stand in body or spirit. **Bold** print indicates the people may pray/respond in unison.
- Most songs are from the purple *Glory to God* hymnal and the words are projected on the screen.
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We believe children belong in worship.

What could be better than the whole family of God being together in worship? Children are welcome to use the **Pray Ground** in the front of the sanctuary. We ask that a parent or guardian sit with their child when they are in the Pray Ground. There are also **Children's worship bags** near the information rack in the narthex. Should your child need a break, there is a nursery available in the Gathering Room.

We stream our worship services live on Zoom and Facebook.

If you do not wish to appear on the live stream, please sit in the areas marked as out of the video shot. There are yellow tape markers on the floor to assist you. Videos are available on our Facebook page.

Thank you for silencing all electronic devices.

PRELUDE

GATHERING WORDS (read responsively)

Along this way

We have walked with Christ.

Along this way

We have shared his table.

Along this way

He has washed our feet.

Along this way

We approach the cross.

Along this way

We fear the path.

Behold the lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.

*HYMN 205 "What Wondrous Love Is This" wondrous love

INTRODUCTION AND PRAYER (in unison)
God of the daytime and the night-time,
God of light and darkness,
God of joy and sorrow,
we worship you.

Through you alone we are able to know that even in the darkest hours hope is present through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

1ST MOMENT – "ECCE HOMO" *Scripture – John 19:1-7*

We pray:

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Amen.

The 1st candle is extinguished.

Silence

Reflection

2ND MOMENT – GABBATHA *Scripture – John 19:8-16a* We pray:

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Amen.

The 2nd candle is extinguished.

Silence

Hymn 218

"Ah, Holy Jesus"

CRUCIFIXION

3RD MOMENT – GOLGATHA *Scripture – John 19:16b-22* We pray:

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Amen.

The 3rd candle is extinguished.

Silence

Meditation

ANTHEM "Even the Heavens are Weeping"
Combined Choirs of First Presbyterian Church and Zion Lutheran Church

4TH MOMENT – CASTING LOTS Scripture – John 19:23-25 We pray:

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Amen.

The 4th candle is extinguished.

Silence

5TH MOMENT – "HERE IS YOUR MOTHER"

Scripture – John 19:25-27

We pray:

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Amen.

The 5th candle is extinguished.

Silence

Reflection

6TH MOMENT – FINISHED Scripture – John 19:28-30 We pray:

> Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Amen.

The 6thcandle is extinguished.

Musical Reflection "Were You There? Willie & Jen Rosin

Reflection

HYMN 221 "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" PASSION CHORALE

7TH MOMENT – PIERCED Scripture – John 19:31-34 We pray:

> Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Amen.

The 7thcandle is extinguished.

Silence

Reflection

PRAYERS

When the leader says "Lord of the cross," Please respond with, "hear our prayer."

Hymn 228

"Were You There"

WERE YOU THERE

A CLOSING READING – John 19:38-42

FINAL PRAYER AND DEPARTURE (read responsively)
When hope has left
Still we watch and wait.
When darkness prevails
Still we search for light.
When the road is hidden

Still we seek a guide.

Please depart quietly.

MINISTRY LEADERS

Ministers
Pastors
Rev. Willie Rosin, Zion Lutheran Church
Rev. Dr. Pamela S. Saturnia, First Presbyterian Church
Music Director
Charles Potter
Mary Jo Finchum, Mike Eversmeyer
Usher
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