ORDER OF WORSHIP
Christ the King Presbyterian Church

April 22, 2011

Christian Year: Good Friday

Preparation for Worship

Whoever blasphemes the name of the LORD shall be put to death.
Leviticus 24:16

We have a law, and according to that law he ought to die because he has made himself the Son of God. *John 19:7*

Jesus' opponents rightly recognize that as he uses the title [Son of God] there are overtones not only of messiahship but of sharing the rights and authority of God himself. *D. A. Carson*

***Call to Worship** *from Isaiah 53:1, 4-5* The Rev. P. Clay Holland

Minister: Who has believed what we have heard? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?
People: Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows;
Yet we esteem him stricken,
smitten by God and afflicted.
Minister: But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole,
People: And by his wounds we are healed.

****What Wondrous Love Is This*** *WONDROUS LOVE*

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul!

When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down,
When I was sinking down, sinking down;
When I was sinking down beneath God's righteous frown,
Christ laid aside his crown for my soul, for my soul,
Christ laid aside his crown for my soul.

To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing,
To God and to the Lamb I will sing.
To God and to the Lamb, who is the great I AM,
While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,
While millions join the theme I will sing.

***Prayer of Adoration**

King of Glory, we adore you, our Savior and Lord. You suffered on the cross and gave your life as a ransom for many. We bless and thank you for the outpouring of your love and offer our worship this evening out of unspeakable gratitude. Amen.

**Congregation stands* *‡Congregation kneels*

First Scripture Witness Bethany Cavanaugh and Hannah Cunningham

John 18:1-14
Page 904 in the black Bibles

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

‡Litany of Confession The Rev. Brad Wright
Senior Minister, Redeemer Sugar Land

People: Merciful God, we meet this evening at the foot of the cross. We are broken people. We are broken by our own sins and broken by the sins of others. Heal us, Jesus, Savior of the world.
Minister: For the times we have lied to one another and the times we have been lied to,
People: Heal us, Jesus, Savior of the world.
Minister: For the times we have laughed at another's pain and the times we have been laughed at,
People: Heal us, Jesus, Savior of the world.
Minister: For the times we have spoken when we should have remained silent and the times we have remained silent when we should have spoken,
People: Heal us, Jesus, Savior of the world.
Minister: For the times we have not respected and loved those who are different from us,
People: Heal us, Jesus, Savior of the world.
Minister: For the times we have betrayed a friend and the times we have been betrayed,
People: Heal us, Jesus, Savior of the world.
Minister: For the times we have denied you,
People: Heal us, Jesus, Savior of the world.
In your great mercy, Lord, heal us and forgive our sins. Amen.

***Assurance of Pardon and Peace of God** *1 Peter 2:24*

Minister: Jesus himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. May the peace of the Lord be always with you.
People: And also with you.

Please greet one another and share the Lord's peace with those around you.

****Beneath the Cross of Jesus*** *Clephane/Miner*

Beneath the cross of Jesus I fain would take my stand,
The shadow of a mighty Rock within a weary land;
A home within the wilderness, a rest upon the way,
From the burning of the noontide heat
And the burden of the day.

Upon the cross of Jesus mine eye at times can see
The very dying form of one who suffered there for me;
And from my stricken heart with tears two wonders I confess,
The wonders of redeeming love and my unworthiness.

I take, O cross, thy shadow for my abiding place:
I ask no other sunshine than the sunshine of his face;
Content to let the world go by, to know no gain nor loss;
My sinful self my only shame, my glory all the cross.

Second Scripture Witness Grant Gleason and Angela Whittle

John 18:15-27
Page 904 in the black Bibles

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded *PASSION CHORALE*
Hymn No. 247

Third Scripture Witness Pam Liang
Redeemer Sugar Land

John 18:28-19:7
Page 904 in the black Bibles

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

The Sermon "Crime and Punishment" Eric Priest
That You May Believe: Tragedy and Victory in John

Here Is Love *DIM OND IESU*

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 cannot remember?
Who can cease to sing his praise?
He can never be forgotten
Throughout Heaven's eternal days.

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.

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross *HAMBURG*
Hymn No. 252 (Stanzas 1-3)

The Offering

Vocalise *Rachmaninoff*

Fourth Scripture Witness Barbara Paige

John 19:16-30
Page 905 in the black Bibles

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

The Power of the Cross *Townend & Getty*

Oh, to see the dawn of the darkest day:
Christ on the road to Calvary.
Tried by sinful men, torn and beaten,
Then nailed to a cross of wood.

Chorus:
This, the pow'r of the cross: Christ became sin for us;
Took the blame, bore the wrath — we stand forgiven at the cross.

Oh, to see the pain written on your face,
Bearing the awesome weight of sin.
Ev'ry bitter thought, ev'ry evil deed
Crowning your bloodstained brow. *(Chorus)*

Now the daylight flees; now the ground beneath
Quakes as its maker bows his head.
Curtain torn in two, dead are raised to life;
"Finished!" the vict'ry cry. *(Chorus)*

Oh, to see my name written in the wounds,
For through your suffering I am free.
Death is crushed to death; life is mine to live,
Won through your selfless love.

Final Chorus:
This, the pow'r of the cross: Son of God—slain for us.
What a love! What a cost! We stand forgiven at the cross.

Fifth Scripture Witness Gretchen and David Duren

John 19:31-42
Page 906 in the black Bibles

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

****Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder*** *Newton/Taylor*

Let us love and sing and wonder,
Let us praise the Savior's name,
He has hushed the law's loud thunder,
He has quenched Mount Sinai's flame.
He has washed us with his blood *(repeat 2x)*
He has brought us nigh to God.

Let us praise, and join the chorus
Of the saints enthroned on high;
Here they trusted him before us,
Now their praises fill the sky:
"You have washed us with your blood; *(repeat 2x)*
You are worthy, Lamb of God!"

***Sixth Scripture Witness** Midge and Frank Whitson

Isaiah 52:13-53:12
Page 613 in the black Bibles

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

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***Concluding Prayer** The Rev. P. Clay Holland

Holy God, you have opened our ears to hear your Word and our lips to proclaim your truth: open our eyes this night to see in the cross the revelation of your love; through Jesus the crucified, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, be honor and praise, now and forever. Amen.

***Acclamation** *Revelation 5:12*

Minister: Let us praise our crucified Lord:
People: Worthy is the Lamb who was slain to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!

Please exit now in silence.

We will celebrate our Lord's Resurrection
at 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 am on Sunday morning.

Serving in Worship this evening: Mark Austin, trumpet; Cindy Cook, organ; Reece Hazel, guitar; Mark Miller, piano; Amy Wiggs, flute; Steven Wiggs, cello.
Betty Liang and John Pisklak, vocalists.
Joe Tipton, worship assistant.

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