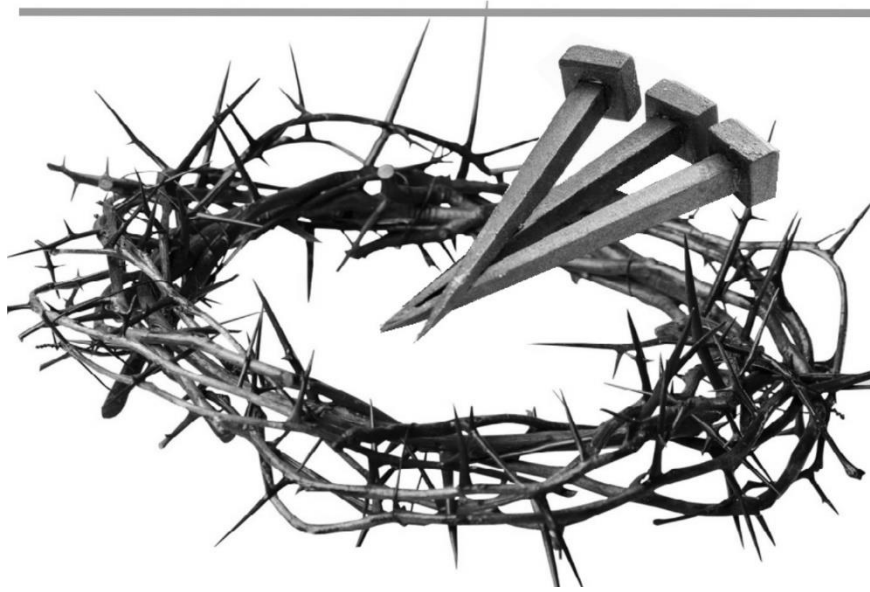


GOOD FRIDAY



FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

801 4TH AVE. NE

WASECA, MN

Friday, March 29, 2024

7:00 pm

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us come to the cross of Christ.

We gather to remember the saving grace of Jesus.

Let us reflect on the height and depth, the length and width of God’s love.

Thanks be to God who gave us the faith, hope, and love, witnessed in Christ’s sacrifice for our salvation.

OPENING HYMN....."Beneath the Cross of Jesus"UMH #297

OPENING PRAYER

Almighty God, we thank you for saving the whole world by lifting your son Jesus Christ high on the cross. Let us remember Jesus Christ, who carried the cross for our salvation, and let us respond to his call to bear and follow our cross. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, we pray. Amen.

THE REFLECTION ON THE SEVEN WORDS ON THE CROSS

First Word.....Jarod True

Luke 23:33-34,

When they came to the place called the Skull, they crucified him there, along with the criminals—one on his right, the other on his left. Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing.” And they divided up his clothes by casting lots.

Silent Reflection

HYMN.....“Were You There”UMH #288, vs. 1 & 2

The Second Word.....Karen Ferch

Luke 23:39-42,

One of the criminals who hung there hurled insults at him: "Aren't you the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" But the other criminal rebuked him. "Don't you fear God," he said, "since you are under the same sentence? We are punished justly, for we are getting what our deeds deserve. But this man has done nothing wrong." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."

Silent Reflection

HYMN....."Were You There"UMH #288, vs. 3 & 4

The Third Word.....**Janet Welch**

John 19:25-27,

Near the cross of Jesus stood his mother, his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother there, and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to her, "Woman, here is your son," and to the disciple, "Here is your mother." From that time on, this disciple took her into his home.

Silent Reflection

HYMN....."The Old Rugged Cross"UMH #504, vs. 1 & 2

The Fourth Word.....**Bob Hunter**

Mark 15:33-34,

At noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. And at three in the afternoon Jesus cried out in a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?" which means "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"

Silent Reflection

HYMN....."The Old Rugged Cross"UMH #504, vs. 3 & 4

The Fifth Word.....**Les Wells**

John 19:28,

Later, knowing that everything had now been finished, and so that Scripture would be fulfilled, Jesus said, "I am thirsty."

Silent Reflection

HYMN.....“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”UMH #298

The Sixth Word.....Terra LaMont

John 19:29-30,

A jar of wine vinegar was there, so they soaked a sponge in it, put the sponge on a stalk of the hyssop plant, and lifted it to Jesus’ lips. When he had received the drink, Jesus said, “It is finished.” With that, he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

Silent Reflection

HYMN.....“Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone”UMH #424

The Seventh Word.....Mark LaMont

Luke 23:44-46,

It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, for the sun stopped shining. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two. Jesus called out with a loud voice, “Father, into your hands I commit my spirit.” When he had said this, he breathed his last.

Silent Reflection

ANTHEM.....“The Power of the Cross”Faith Choir

SERMON.....“Are You the King?”Rev. Dong Hun Shin

HYMN..... “Something Beautiful”UMH #394

HANG A CLOTH ON THE CROSS

A cloth symbolizing the death of Jesus is hung on the cross in front of the altar.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Return home in silence.