

A Meditation on 2 Corinthians 5:21
A Time of Prayer

A Responsive Reading of Isaiah 53:4-6

Leader: Surely he took up our infirmities

All: *and carried our sorrows,*

Leader: yet we considered him stricken by God,

All: *smitten by him, and afflicted.*

Leader: But he was pierced for our transgressions,

All: *he was crushed for our iniquities;*

Leader: the punishment that brought us peace was upon him,

All: *and by his wounds we are healed.*

Leader: We all, like sheep, have gone astray,

All: *each of us has turned to his own way;*

Leader: and the LORD has laid on him

All: *the iniquity of us all.*

Benediction

Song of Worship

Were You There

Gray 377:1,2,3

Please leave this time of worship reflecting on the suffering and death of our Savior. Plan to return Easter morning for our celebration of the resurrection of Christ!

Organ: Trudy Oele

Music Ministry: Brad Smith (Oboe)



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Welcome to Heritage Church!

We're glad you've come to worship with us! We hope you will experience a warm welcome as we worship God together and embrace the truth of Jesus Christ as our Savior and Lord. We are glad to have you with us and look forward to welcoming you back again soon.

If you would like to know more about what it means to become a follower of Jesus Christ, we encourage you to talk with our pastor or pick up the "Two Ways to Live" pamphlet at the information Center or available at twowaystolive.com

To learn more about Heritage, check out our website or consider attending a class designed to introduce you to who we are and why we are here. Please email us at churchoffice@heritagecrc.org or call the church office to let us know of your interest.

Our Mission

To introduce people to Jesus Christ,
to help them grow to be more like Him,
and then to reproduce the process in others.

Friday, April 3, 2026

Good Friday

GOOD FRIDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

April 3, 2026

The service of Tenebrae, meaning “darkness” or “shadows”, is a prolonged meditation on Christ’s suffering. Readings trace the story of Christ’s passion, music portrays his sorrow and suffering, and the power of silence suggests the drama of this momentous day. We ponder the depth of Christ’s suffering through mounting darkness; through the return of the persistent flame of the Christ candle at the conclusion of the service, we anticipate the joy of ultimate victory.

Words of Welcome

*Call to Worship ~ Isaiah 53:1-3

Leader: Who has believed our message and to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?

All: He grew up before God like a tender shoot, and like a root out of dry ground.

Leader: He had no beauty or majesty to attract us to him, nothing in his appearance that we should desire him. He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows, and familiar with suffering.

All: Like one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

*Song of Worship

Before the Throne of God Above Screens

A Time of Prayer

HE TURNED AWAY THE WRATH OF GOD ~ A Good Friday Litany

Scripture Reading Mark 14:32-50

Extinguishing the Candle

The Lord’s Supper

The Invitation

The Commemoration

The Bread Music by Brad Smith

The Cup Music by Brad Smith

The Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Reading Mark 14:32-50

Extinguishing the Candle and Time of Silence

Song of Worship

Man of Sorrows! What a Name Gray 482:1,2,3

Scripture Reading Matthew 26:57-68

Extinguishing the Candle and Time of Silence

Song of Worship

Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed Gray 385:1,2,3

Scripture Reading Matthew 27:11-26

Extinguishing the Candle and Time of Silence

Song of Worship

O Mighty Cross Green 317

Scripture Reading Luke 23:32-49

Extinguishing the Candle and Time of Silence

Music Ministry *What Wondrous Love Is This*

Scripture Reading Matthew 27:45-56

Extinguishing the Candle and Time of Silence

Song of Worship

Not What My Hands Have Done Gray 260

A Time of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Confession of Faith

Question: At the Cross, What Did Christ’s Death Accomplish?

Answer: *He turned away the wrath of God against our iniquities. He made an atoning sacrifice for our guilt. He canceled our debt and forgave our sins. He became sin so that we might be sinless in God’s sight. He reconciled all things to himself, making peace. He presented us holy, blameless, and above reproach. He gave us access in one Spirit to the Father. He triumphed over all evil rulers and authorities. He made us alive so that we might die to sin and live for him.*

~ Douglas Sean O’Donnell (b. 1972)