

Scripture

Isaiah 53:1-12 ~ Who has believed what we have heard? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed? ² For he grew up before him like a young plant, and like a root out of dry ground; he had no form or majesty that we should look at him, nothing in his appearance that we should desire him. ³ He was despised and rejected by others; a man of suffering and acquainted with infirmity; and as one from whom others hide their faces he was despised, and we held him of no account. ⁴ Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted. ⁵ But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed. ⁶ All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all. ⁷ He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. ⁸ By a perversion of justice he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future? For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people. ⁹ They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth. ¹⁰ Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him with pain. When you make his life an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the LORD shall prosper. ¹¹ Out of his anguish he shall see light; he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge. The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. ¹² Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out himself to death, and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

Mark 15:25-39 ~ ²⁵ It was nine o'clock in the morning when they crucified him. ²⁶ The inscription of the charge against him read, "The King of the Jews." ²⁷ And with him they crucified two bandits, one on his right and one on his left. ²⁹ Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying, "Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, ³⁰ save yourself, and come down from the cross!" ³¹ In the same way the chief priests, along with the scribes, were also mocking him among themselves and saying, "He saved others; he cannot save himself. ³² Let the Messiah, the King of Israel, come down from the cross now, so that we may see and believe." Those who were crucified with him also taunted him.

The Death of Jesus

³³ When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. ³⁴ At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?" which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" ³⁵ When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, "Listen, he is calling for Elijah." ³⁶ And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down." ³⁷ Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last. ³⁸ And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. ³⁹ Now when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said, "Truly this man was God's Son!"

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Welcome, were glad you're here!

Prelude

Call to Worship

Jesus said: If any of you want to be my disciples,

Take up the cross and follow me.

Christ himself bore our sins in his body on the tree.

That we might die to sin and live to righteousness.

Music

"Go To Dark Gethsemane," UMH 290, v. 1-3

Choir, then Congregation

Words of Welcome

Prayer

Scripture....Isaiah 53:1-12

Response Music, *Choir only*

"Surely He Has Borne Our Grievs"

Litany from Psalm 22

Response *Special Music Choir only*

"You Will Be With Me In Paradise"

Scripture....Mark 15:25-39

Message – The Crucifixion

Music

"O Sacred Head Now Wounded," UMH 286, V 1-3

Choir, then Congregation

Benediction

Go In Silence and in Peace

Litany from Psalm 22

L: My God, my God,

P: Why have you forsaken me?

L: Why are you so far from helping me?

P: I cry by day, but you do not answer; and by night, but find no rest.

L: I am poured out like water; my heart is like wax; it is melted within me;

P: A company of evildoers encircles me; they divide my clothes among themselves, and for my clothing they cast lots.

L: Yet you are holy, enthroned on the praises of Israel.

P: In you our ancestors trusted; they trusted, and you delivered them.

L: To you they cried, and were saved;

P: In you they trusted, and were not put to shame.

L: It was you who took me from the womb,

P: On you I was cast from my birth, and since my mother bore me you have been my God.

L: You who fear the LORD, praise him! All you offspring of Jacob, stand in awe of him

P: For he did not despise the afflicted; he did not hide his face from me, but heard when I cried to him.

L: The poor shall eat and be satisfied;

P: Those who seek him shall praise the LORD.

L: Posterity will serve him; future generations will be told about the Lord,

P: and proclaim his deliverance to a people yet unborn, saying that he has done it.