Covenant Presbyterian Church GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE April 10, 2020

THE PRELUDE "BENEATH THE CROSS OF JESUS"

ARR. HELD

HYMN NO. 251

THE WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

"WERE YOU THERE"

YOUNG HYE MIN, VIOLINIST

THE PRAYER

THE HYMN "BENEATH THE CROSS OF JESUS"

- 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 noon tide heat and the burden of the day.
- 2. 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.
- 3. 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.

THE SCRIPTURE READING

ISAIAH 53:1-7

Who has believed our message and to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed? He grew up before him like a tender shoot, and like a root out of dry ground. 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. Like one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

Surely he took up our infirmities and carried our sorrows, yet we considered him stricken by God, smitten by him, and afflicted.

But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon him, and by his wounds we are healed. We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

He was oppressed and afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; he was led like a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth.

THE ANTHEM

"MAN OF SORROWS"

BLISS REED ABRAHAM TENNIE LESTER YOUNG HYE MIN JAMES STEADMAN RANDOLPH BLAKEMAN, ACCOMPANIST

THE SCRIPTURE **MATTHEW 27:1-26**

THE SERMON "PILATE, BARABBAS AND ME" **REV. TIM STARNES**

THE HYMN "ALAS! AND DID MY SAVIOR BLEED"

- 1. Alas! And did my Savior bleed, and did my Sovereign die! Would be devote that sacred head for such a worm as I!
- 2. Was it for crimes that I had done he groaned upon the tree! Amazing pity! Grace unknown! And love beyond degree!
- 3. Well might the sun in darkness hide, and shut his glories in, When Christ, the mighty Maker, died for man the creature's sin.
- 4. Thus might I hide my blushing face while his dear cross appears; Dissolve my heart in thankfulness, and melt mine eyes in tears.
- 5. But drops of grief can ne'er repay the debt of love I owe; Here, Lord, I give myself away, 'tis all that I can do.

THE BENEDICTION

THE POSTLUDE "ADAGIO IN G MINOR" **ALBINONI**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Easter Morning Services will be broadcast live-stream this Sunday at 10:55 AM.

Ben will continue Sunday Evening at 6:00PM with Psalm 27, via live stream. Randolph will provide special music.

We have been asked by several members how to give during this time when we cannot meet for corporate worship. There are 2 options available to continue giving your tithes and offerings. You may mail it to Covenant Presbyterian Church, P. O. Box 896, Cleveland, MS 38732, or you can us the online link:

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