

# St. Stephen's

United Methodist Church

FRIDAY, APRIL 2<sup>ND</sup> • GOOD FRIDAY • 7:00 P.M.

The following is the link to St. Stephen's YouTube Channel and this live stream service at 7p.m.  
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC0xij-ku-vi3om-vLE2dUJA>

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

### WELCOME

Pastor Rob

### CALL TO WORSHIP *based upon Isaiah 53:3-5*

Pastors Jiyeon and Forrest

Voice1: Come, see the servant of the Lord;

Voice2: a man of suffering, despised and rejected by others.

Voice1: Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases;

Voice2: he was wounded for our transgressions, and crushed for our iniquities.

Voice1: Upon him was the punishment that made us whole,

Voice2: and by his bruises we are healed.

### OPENING PRAYER

**God of love and grace, we remember this evening the pain and suffering of the cross, and all that Jesus was willing to endure, so we could be set free. He paid the price, such a great sacrifice, to offer us the gift of abundant and eternal life.**

**Help us to never take for granted this gift of love on our behalf. Help us to be reminded of the cost of it all. Forgive us for not fully recognizing what you have freely given, what you have done for us. Thank you, Lord, that by your wounds we are healed. Thank you that because of your huge sacrifice we can live free in Jesus! Amen.**

### OPENING SONG

Crimson  
CCLI# 4542360

Source Band

One choice, one tree, one fall for humanity,  
one lie, one liar, one bite is all death required.  
One great regret, one squandered chance;  
and yet one hope, one day,  
one name above all other names;  
one bridge between then and now,  
one way to discover how,  
one price, one tree,  
one drop of crimson covers me.

### READING ONE

Matthew 26:47-56 NRSV

Susan Fofi

### READING TWO

Matthew 26:57-68 NRSV

Bunny Monroe

### HYMN

Go to Dark Gethsemane, v. 2  
CCLI# 1764227

Go to dark Gethsemane, ye that feel the tempter's power;  
your Redeemer's conflict see, watch with him one bitter hour.  
Turn not from his griefs away; learn of Jesus Christ to pray.

### READING THREE

Matthew 26:69-75 NRSV

Lesley Hatch

### READING FOUR

Matthew 27:1-10 NRSV

Lorac Lawton

**HYMN** Ah, Holy Jesus Tammy Lydon, Piano  
CCLI# 1400048 Sonja Tussing, Mike Keppler, vocals  
Who was the guilty? Who brought this upon thee?  
Alas, my treason, Jesus, hath done thee!  
'Twas I, Lord Jesus, I it was denied thee;  
I crucified thee.

**READING FIVE** Matthew 27:11-14 NRSV Johnnie Lawton

**READING SIX** Matthew 27:15-26 NRSV Laurie Perry

**HYMN** Sing, My Tongue, the Glorious Battle, v. 3 Tammy Lydon, vocals  
CCLI# 3237456  
Thus, with thirsty years accomplished, went he forth from Nazareth,  
Destined, dedicated, willing, wrought his work, and met his death.  
Like a lamb he humbly yielded on the cross his dying breath.

**READING SEVEN** Matthew 27:27-31 NRSV Alex Perry

**READING EIGHT** Matthew 27:32-37 NRSV Kate Perry

**HYMN** O Sacred Head, Now Wounded, v. 1 Tammy Lydon, piano  
CCLI# 4224059 Sonja Tussing, Mike Keppler, vocals  
O sacred Head, now wounded, with grief and shame weighed down,  
now scornfully surrounded with thorns, thine only crown:  
how pale thou art with anguish, with sore abuse and scorn!  
How does that visage languish which once was bright as morn!

**READING NINE** Matthew 27:38-44 NRSV Jed Perry

**READING TEN** Matthew 27:45-54 NRSV Bill Surles

**HYMN** He Never Said a Mumbalin' Word, v. 1 Sonja Tussing and  
CCLI# 2375560 Mike Keppler, vocals  
They crucified my Lord, and he never said a mumbalin' word;  
they crucified my Lord, and he never said a mumbalin' word;  
not a word, not a word, not a word.

**READING ELEVEN** Matthew 27:55-61 NRSV Pat Sawhney

**READING TWELVE** Matthew 27:62-66 NRSV Allison Gyampo

**CLOSING PRAYER** Pastor Rob  
**God of our redemption, abundantly bless your people who have devoutly recalled the death of Jesus Christ. By your holy cross, you have redeemed the world. Grant us forgiveness, renew us, strengthen our faith, and increase in us the fullness of life; we ask this through Christ our Savior. Amen.**

**POSTLUDE** What Wondrous Love Is This, v. 1 St. Stephen's Bell Ensemble  
CCLI# 197297

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.

*We depart in silence.*