GOOD FRIDAY

First Baptist Church
April 15, 2022

Organ Prelude *O Sacred Head, Now Wounded* setting by David Maxwell
Were You There

Opening Sentences Alex Lockridge

Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows;
Yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted.
But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities;
Upon him was the chastisement that made us whole,
And with his stripes we are healed.

- from Isaiah 53

Hymn 182 *Alas, and Did My Savior Bleed* AVON

Call to Confession Jeremiah Banks

Let us hold firmly to the faith we profess. For we have a great High Priest who has gone into the very presence of God – Jesus, the Son of God. Our High Priest is not one who cannot feel sympathy for our weaknesses. On the contrary, we have a High Priest who was tempted in every way that we are, but without sin. Let us have confidence, then, and approach God's throne, where there is grace. There we will receive mercy and find grace to help us just when we need it.

- from Hebrews 4

Prayer of Confession

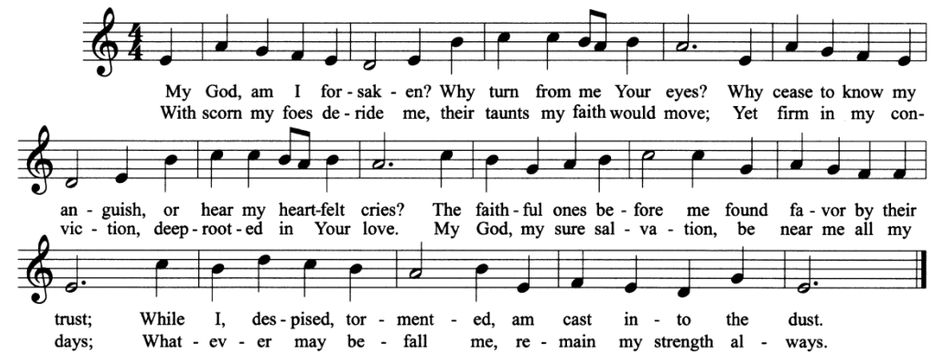
Lord Jesus Christ, our betrayal, denial, and violence paved the way to Your cross. We know it is preposterous, in light of our cruelty, to ask anything of You in light of Your pain, but we pray earnestly: Have mercy on us, for we cannot bear the weight of our sin. Save us through Your unfathomable love. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness Jeremiah Banks

In his life on earth, Jesus made his prayers and requests with loud cries and tears to God, who could save him from death. Because he was humble and devoted, God heard him. Even though he was God's Son, he learned through his suffering to be obedient. And when he was made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all those who obey him. Thanks be to God.

- from Hebrews 5

Psalm 22 PASSION CHORALE



- Michael Morgan

The Passion Narrative – from John 19 Lisa Eye and Paul Sims

Homily "The Vulnerable Savior" Alex Lockridge

Hymn 184 *Beneath the Cross of Jesus* ST. CHRISTOPHER

the Christ candle is removed as a symbol of the days Christ was in the tomb

Benediction Alex Lockridge and Paul Sims

and may everyone you meet see the face of Christ in you. ***Amen.***

Organ Postlude *O Sacred Head, Now Wounded* setting by Michael Burkhardt

please depart in quietness

Ushers will be at exits to receive an offering that will benefit a ministry of the Southeastern Kentucky Ministerial Alliance that provides charitable assistance to the poor and distressed through financial assistance, the provision of food, and the sustenance of faith.