

SONG: "O Jesus Wounded Sovereign"
(tune: "O Sacred Head Now Wounded")

Dear Jesus, you who suffer and walk among the poor whose hearts and lives are broken, whose faith is still unsure; despised, accused and battered, you do not say a word. So powerless, yet loving!—you are my Sovereign Lord!

You bear no arms but loving, no threats nor flags unfurled. You wear no kingly robes, but the sorrows of the world. Yet your forgiveness conquers each worldly rule and reign and rises, whole, undaunted, from evil, death and pain.

While emperors abuse you, and people shrug or stare, and dark injustice troubles the ones for whom you care, your mighty grace arises, and hidden from our sight, enfolds all living beings in your triumphant light.

O Jesus, wounded Sovereign, I pray, give me the nerve Without this world's armor to love and bless and serve. My master and my companion, rule all eternity with grace and deep compassion, and, Love, begin with me.

ALTAR IS STRIPPED

LEAVE IN SILENCE DURING POSTLUDE

POSTLUDE: "How Deep the Father's Love For Us"
Stuart Townsend

LENT: IN THE SHADOW OF THE CROSS

TODAY: In the Shadow of the Cross:
the Parade of Palms/the Passion

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 18TH:
In the Shadow of the Cross: Death

EASTER SUNDAY:
In the Light of the Empty Tomb

IN THE SHADOW OF THE CROSS:

The Parade of Palms/The Passion

Peace United Church of Christ Elkader, Iowa

PRELUDE: "Ride On!" John Bacchus Dykes

arranged by Arriby Garrett Parker

BELL RINGING, ANNOUNCEMENTS, CONCERNS

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. AMEN.

OFFERING CALL: L: As we proceed through this day that begins with celebration and turns to passion as Jesus offers himself for us, let us show our love symbolized by our gifts.

OFFERING IS TAKEN

OFFERTORY: "If That Isn't Love" Dottie Rambo

***THE DOXOLOGY: Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below; praise him above you heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. AMEN.**

***PASSING OF THE PEACE (then be seated)**

The Parade of Palms Story

PARADE PREPARATION: Luke 19:29-40
THE PARADE SONG: Bell Choir
"All Glory, Laud and Honor" arranged by Cynthia Dobrinski

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

L: Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord!
P: God of love, we thank you that you have given us Jesus to be ruler of our lives. In the midst of violence, he reigns in peace; in the midst of judgment, he reigns in love; in the suffering of our sins, he reigns in forgiveness.
L: May Christ always reign in our hearts!
P: Peace and glory in the highest heaven! Hosanna!
SONG: "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" #213

The Passion Story

PREPARATION & PASSOVER Luke 22:1-23; 28-34
SONG: "Journey to Gethsemane" vs. 1 #219
THE ARREST OF JESUS: Luke 22:39-54a
SONG: "Journey to Gethsemane" vs. 2 #219

THE DENIAL:

L: Peter was following at a distance. A group of people kindled a fire in the courtyard of the high priest's house and sat down with Peter among them.
Seeing Peter in the firelight, a servant girl accused Peter of following Jesus. Peter denied it. Someone else noticed Peter and accused him also but Peter denied it.
At that moment, while Peter was still speaking, the cock crowed. Jesus was being brought from the high priest's house. Jesus turned and looked at Peter.
Then Peter remembered Jesus' words, "Before the cock crows today, you will deny me three times."
Peter went out and wept bitterly.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: (unison) Merciful God,
We confess that, like Peter, we have betrayed you. By the grace of Jesus, have mercy upon us. May you heal, forgive, renew and lead us so that we may delight in your ways by the Holy Spirit's power. AMEN

THE MOCKING: Luke 22:63-71
SILENCE

THE TRIAL: (based on Luke 23:1-25)
L: The elders arose and brought Jesus before Pilate. The people accused Jesus of subverting the nation, opposing paying taxes to the emperor and even claiming to be the Messiah, a king!
MEN (Pilate): "ARE YOU THE KING OF THE JEWS?"
L: Jesus answers, "You have said so."
MEN: "I FIND NO CRIME IN THIS MAN."
P: "But he stirs up the people!"
L: Pilate learned that Jesus was under King Herod's jurisdiction so Jesus was sent to Herod. Jesus refused to answer Herod's questions. So Herod and his soldiers mocked Jesus, put an elegant robe on him and sent him back to Pilate.
MEN: "HE HAS DONE NOTHING TO DESERVE DEATH."
P: "Away with him! Release to us Barrabas!"
L: Barrabas, an insurrection leader, had been imprisoned for murder.
MEN: "WHAT EVIL HAS JESUS DONE? I WILL HAVE HIM FLOGGED AND RELEASED."
P: "Crucify him! CRUCIFY HIM!"
SONG: "Journey to Gethsemane" vs. 3 #219

THE CROSS: Luke 23:26-43
SILENCE

THE DEATH AND BURIAL OF JESUS: Luke 23: 44-56

WELCOME

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Worship Leaders

Today-April 13th

Worship: Pastor Paula
Reader: Sue Stott
Fellowship: Sue Stott
Organist: Laura Moser
Ushers: Dean, Joanne Gray
**Opening/
Closing** Sue Stott

Next Sunday, April 20th

Pastor Paula
Laura Moser
Cookie Cupboard
Laura Moser
McCorkindales
Carl, Laura Moser

PRAYER LIST: Bob, Cheryl, Greg Anderson, Gus Augustson, Eli Belser, Betty Buchholz, Jonah Burns and Burns family, Deb Dennler, Karen Glesne, Linda Glesne, Penny Jacobson, Ruth Grau, Ruth Olson, Lucena Phelps and Rosanna, Elaine Radloff, Sharon Reichert, Alice Reimer, Payton Renschler, Father James, Jerry Koons

NEXT WEEK:

Easter Sunday Festival Worship at 9 a.m.

MAY 8—9 A.M. WOMEN'S MAY BREAKFAST at First Cong. church in Elkader. Guest speaker is Julienne Friday. Sign-up sheet and more information is on table at rear of church. Reservations needed by Monday, April 28th.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

9 a.m.-noon-----Monday, Wednesday. Thursday
8 a.m.-10:45 a.m.—Tuesday

WEEKLY CALENDAR OF CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Monday: Office hours: 9-noon
5:30 p.m. Council mtg.
Tuesday: Office hours: 9-10:45 a.m.
Clergy Text Study: 11 a.m.
Wednesday: Office hours: 9-noon
NOTE CHANGE IN PRACTICE TIMES
5-5:45 p.m... Bell Choir practice
5:45- 6:30 p.m. Chancel Choir practice
Thursday: Office hours: 9-11:30
1:30 p.m. Elkader Care Center service
5-6:30 p.m. Grace Café
Friday: 7 p.m. Good Friday service
Saturday: Church open for Easter Vigil prayers

NEEDED: *The Church History work group is updating the church's history especially from 2016 to the present. ALSO, pictures and news focused on the Christian Education unit and the parsonage will be greatly welcomed. Thank you!*

Graveside Service for Jenny Olson will be held on Saturday, April 26th at 10:30 a.m. in Eastside Cemetery. A luncheon will be held afterwards at Johnson's Restaurant.

ATTENTION! ATTENTION! ATTENTION!

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