## Mt. Lebanon Evangelical Presbyterian Church

## **GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE OF TENEBRAE**

April 10, 2020 ~ 7:00 p.m.

WELCOME Pastor Carolyn Poteet

CALL TO WORSHIP: From Isaiah 53:4-6

Surely He took up our pain and bore our suffering, yet we considered Him punished by God, stricken by Him, and afflicted. But He was pierced for our transgressions. He was crushed for our iniquities. The punishment that brought us peace was on Him, and by His wounds we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned—every one—to his own way; and the Lord has laid on Him the iniquity of us all.

## **OPENING PRAYER**

**OPENING HYMN** 

"The Old Rugged Cross"

Worship Team

On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross,
The emblem of suffering and shame;
And I love that old cross where the dearest and best
For a world of lost sinners was slain.

So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, Till my trophies at last I lay down; I will cling to the old rugged cross, And exchange it some day for a crown.

O that old rugged cross, so despised by the world,
Has a wondrous attraction for me;
For the dear Lamb of God left his glory above
To bear it to dark Calvary.

In that old rugged cross, stained with blood so divine,
A wondrous beauty I see,
For 'twas on that old cross Jesus suffered and died,
To pardon and sanctify me.

To that old rugged cross I will ever be true, Its shame and reproach gladly bear; Then he'll call me some day to my home far away, Where his glory forever I'll share.

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND CALL TO TENEBRAE

Pastor Carolyn Poteet

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 debts as we forgive our debtors, and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

THE FIRST WORD FROM THE CROSS: Luke 23:34

Elder Jim Fondelier

"Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do."

THE SECOND WORD FROM THE CROSS: Luke 23:43

Elder Andy Hromoko

"Today you will be with me in Paradise."

**HYMN** "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" (v.1) Worship Team

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.

THE THIRD WORD FROM THE CROSS: John 19:26-27

Elder Bruce Tenenbaum

"Woman, behold thy son."

THE FOURTH WORD FROM THE CROSS: Matthew 27:46

Elder Pat Gaudio

"My God, My God, why have you forsaken me?"

"O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" (v. 2) **HYMN** 

Worship Team

What thou, my Lord, hast suffered Was all for sinners' gain: Mine, mine was the transgression, But thine the deadly pain. Lo, here I fall, my Savior! 'Tis I deserve thy place: Look on me with thy favor, Assist me with thy grace.

THE FIFTH WORD FROM THE CROSS: John 19:28

Elder Tom Weaver

"I thirst."

THE SIXTH WORD FROM THE CROSS: John 19:30

Mary Lou Simkins

"It is finished."

"O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" (v. 3) **HYMN** 

Worship Team

What language shall I borrow To thank thee, dearest Friend, For this, thy dying sorrow, Thy pity without end? O make me thine forever: And should I fainting be, Lord, let me never, never Outlive my love to thee.

THE SEVENTH WORD FROM THE CROSS: Luke 23:46

Elder Scott Van Horn

"Into thine hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit."

**CLOSING PRAYER** 

**CLOSING HYMN** 

Worship Team

Pastor Carolyn Poteet

Were you there when they crucified my Lord? Were you there when they crucified my Lord? Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble. Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

"Were You There?"

Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble. Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?

Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble. Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

