

MEDITATION PRAYERS BEFORE WORSHIP:

Lord of creation and loving God, we come remembering that all of our days and years are gifts from you. We center our thoughts upon your goodness, we recognize you as our king. We offer our souls, minds and strength and all that we are to your service. Receive then, all expressions of our love and reverence. May we truly realize this day that we serve the king of kings. In the name of our Master, Jesus the Christ. Amen.

PASTORAL WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THOUGHTS FOR THE DAY:

- ✤ Our giving is but a reflex of God's giving.
- He who loves Jesus consecrates to Him all that he has, and feels it a delight that he may lay anything at the feet of Him who laid down his life for us.

- Charles Spurgeon

- Sam Storms

CALL TO WORSHIP:

One: Our ruler has spoken, All: We hear the word, One: A dream revealed, All: A mission received. One: Our ruler calls All: Again and again. One: Our ruler beckons us All: To follow, One: To love, All: To serve, One: To give. All: Again and again One: Our ruler invites us All: To embrace the lonely, One: To feed the hungry, All: To tell the Good News of Jesus, One: To give our lives.

OUR CONFESSION:

All: Beckoning God, you invite us to walk the narrow path and to live lives worthy of the gospel. Yet how often we hold a grudge, sustain a pout, harbor a complaint. We are preoccupied with our hurts and absorbed in the little injustices done to us. We neglect our high calling to visit the sick, care for the poor, feed the hungry, confront the oppressors and work for the new reign of God.

Empowering God, open our eyes and strengthen our wills to care for the ill, to shelter the homeless and provide security for the abused, to feed the hungry and to pester those in control of systems and institutions to care for the well-being of all their citizens. Let our lives be worthy of Christ the King, the Prince of Peace, the Redeemer of all. Amen.

CONFESSION RESPONSE: Not by Might (music at end of bulletin)

THE GOSPEL:

Luke 23:33-49

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, 'Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.' And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, 'He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!' The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, 'If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!' There was also an inscription over him, 'This is the King of the Jews.'

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, 'Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!' But the other rebuked him, saying, 'Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.' Then he said, 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.' He replied, 'Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.'

It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, while the sun's light failed; and the curtain of the temple was torn in two. Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said, 'Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.' Having said this, he breathed his last. When the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God and said, 'Certainly this man was innocent.' And when all the crowds who had gathered there for this spectacle saw what had taken place, they returned home, beating their breasts. But all his acquaintances, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things.

- Pastor David Schoob

MESSAGE RESPONSE: Your Kingdom Come (music at end of bulletin)

THE PRAYERS

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, the Power, and the Glory, forever and ever. Amen.

THE SENDING OUT:

Leader: Lord Jesus, Son of the living God,
People: Teach us to walk in your way more trustfully,
Leader: To accept your truth more faithfully,
People: And share your life more lovingly.
Leader: By the power of God's Spirit,
People: Guide us in our work for the church,
Leader: So that we may fully be one family
People: In the kingdom of God, where you and the saints live forever.
All: Amen.

THE SENDING SONG: Jesus is My Lord (music at end of bulletin)

THE DISMISSAL:

Leader: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

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