

# HIS FINAL STEPS



**Midweek Lenten Service #6**

**March 29, 2023**

**3:30pm & 6:30pm**

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# Lent 2023: His Final Steps

## ORDER OF SERVICE

### Opening Hymn

He Stood before the Court #408



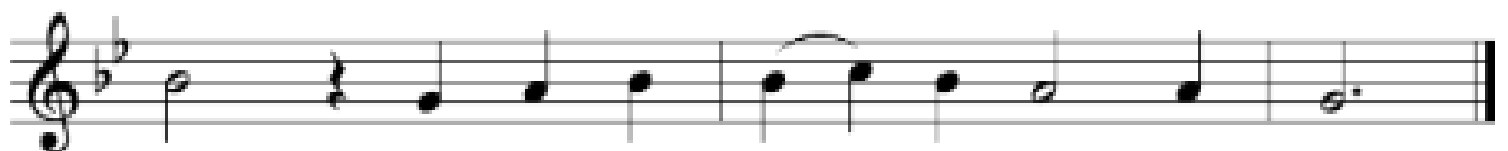
1 He stood be - fore the court on trial in - stead of  
2 These are the crimes that tell the tale of hu - man  
3 The sen - tence must be passed, the un - known pris - 'ner  
4 Shall we be judged and tried? In Christ our trial is



us; he met its pow'r to hurt, con - demned to  
guilt; our sins, our death, our hell— on these the  
killed; the price is paid at last, the law of  
done; we live, for he has died, our con - dem -



face the cross— our King, ac - cused of treach - er -  
case is built. To this world's pow'rs the Lord stays  
God ful - filled. He takes our blame, and from that  
na - tion gone. In Christ are we both dead and



y; our God, a - bused for blas - phe - my!  
dumb. The guilt is ours, no an - swers come.  
day th'ac - cu - ser's claim is wiped a - way.  
raised, a - live and free— his name be praised!

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## Responsive Sentences for Lent

from Proverbs 16:2-9

- <sup>2</sup> All a man's ways seem innocent to him, but motives are weighed by the LORD.
- <sup>3</sup> **Commit to the LORD whatever you do, and your plans will succeed.**
- <sup>4</sup> The LORD works out everything for his own ends – even the wicked for a day of disaster.
- <sup>5</sup> **The LORD detests all the proud of heart. Be sure of this: They will not go unpunished.**
- <sup>6</sup> Through love and faithfulness sin is atoned for; through the fear of the LORD a man avoids evil.
- <sup>7</sup> **When a man's ways are pleasing to the LORD, he makes even his enemies live at peace with him.**
- <sup>8</sup> Better a little with righteousness than much gain with injustice.
- <sup>9</sup> **In his heart a man plans his course, but the LORD determines his steps.**

*Choir or Group may be inserted here.*

## Confession of sins

Let us confess our sins in the presence of our God.

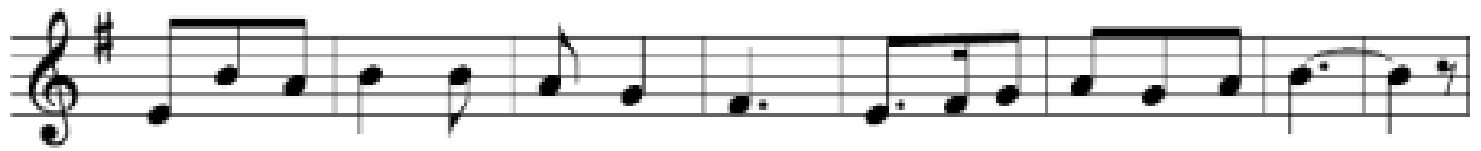
**Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against You in our thoughts, in our words, in our deeds, and in all that we have not done. Forgive us in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Deliver us and restore us, that we may rest in peace.**

By the mercy of God we are redeemed by Jesus Christ, and in Him we are forgiven. Let us rest in peace until the rising of the Son when we shall serve Him in newness of life.

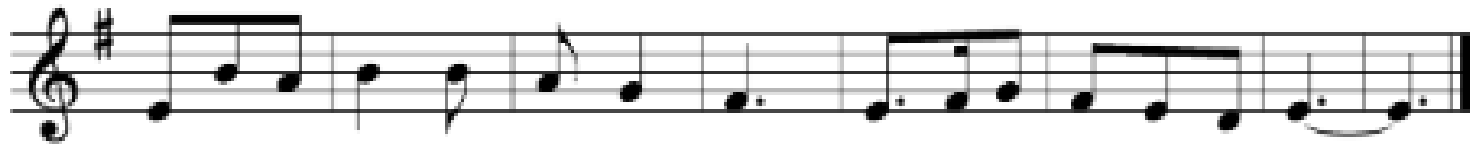
**Amen.**

**Psalm 118** *psalms are in the front of the hymnal*

*Refrain*



This is the day the LORD has made, let us re-joice and be glad!



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The LORD is my strength and / my defense;

he has become my sal- / vation.

The LORD's right hand is / lifted high;

the LORD's right hand has done / mighty things!

I will not / die but live,

and will proclaim what the / LORD has done. *Refrain*

I will give you thanks, for you / answered me;

you have become my sal- / vation.

The stone the builders re- / jected

has become the / cornerstone;

the LORD has / done this,

and it is marvelous / in our eyes.

**Glory be to the Father and / to the Son**

**and to the Holy / Spirit,**

**as it was in the be- / ginning,**

**is now, and will be forever. / Amen. *Refrain***

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## **Psalm Prayer**

Lord Jesus, You are the stone the builders rejected that has become the cornerstone. We praise You for facing the fury of Your enemies undaunted. Because You overcame death itself, we will not die but live, and we will always proclaim Your marvelous deeds; for You live and rule with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

*Choir or Group may be inserted here.*

## **Passion History Reading**

from the Gospel of Matthew 27:27-66

## **Seasonal Response**

Isaiah 53:5

He was pierced for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities;  
**the punishment that brought us peace was upon Him, and by His wounds, we are healed.**

## **Sermon Hymn**

**Christ Your Footprints through the Desert #379**

To the tune of hymn #517

Praise the one who breaks the darkness

***Christ, your footprints through the desert Led to Jordan's flowing stream.***

***There you heard the herald crying Israel's old prophetic dream:***

***"He is coming! He is coming! He will cleanse the earth with flame!  
Sinners, plunge beneath the waters! Wash away your guilt and shame!"***

***Lord, Your footsteps, holy, sinless to Your enemies were sent.***

***Hatred shocking, flawed in thinking, on Your death they now are bent.***

***Yet You freely give Your life-blood, That all might forgiveness see.***

***Yet for one whose far more wretched, Lord You died for sinful me.***

***Son of God, Your steps from Jordan Led at last to Calv'ry's hill.***

***There upon the cross forsaken, You fulfilled the Father's will.***

***Lamb of God, we see you dying, Sinless, yet for sinners slain.***

***But where death rose up to triumph, You began your glorious reign!***

# Sermon

## Offering

### Offering Hymn

### My Worth Is Not in What I Own #753:5



5 Two won - ders here that I con - fess: my




worth and my un - wor - thi - ness. My val - ue



fixed— my ran - som paid at the cross. *Refrain*


*Refrain*



I re-joice in my Re - deem - er— great - est trea - sure,



well-spring of my soul. I will trust in him, no oth - er; my



soul is sat - is - fied in him a - lone.

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## Prayers and 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.

## Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

**Amen.**

## Closing Hymn

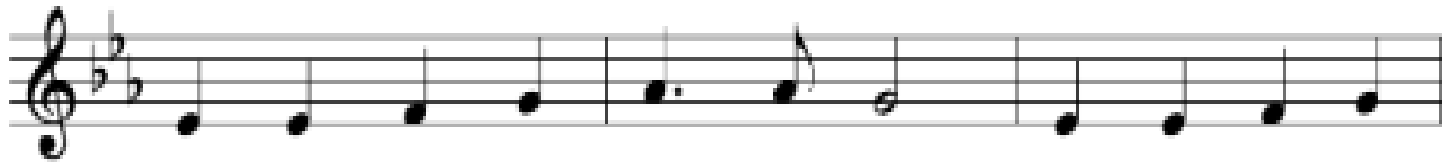
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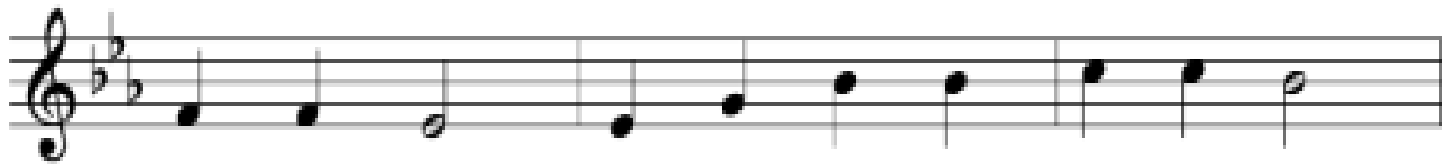


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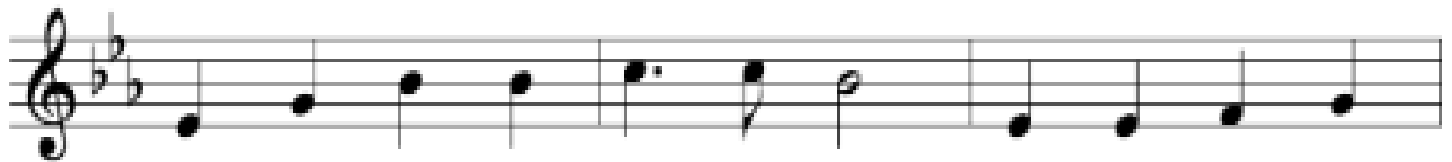
# Go to Dark Gethsemane #425



1 Go to dark Geth - sem - a - ne, all who feel the  
2 Fol - low to the judg - ment hall, view the Lord of  
3 Cal - v'ry's mourn - ful moun - tain climb; there, a - dor - ing  
4 Ear - ly has - ten to the tomb where they laid his



tempt - er's pow'r; your Re - deem - er's con - flict see,  
life ar - raigned. Oh, the worm - wood and the gall,  
at his feet, mark that mir - a - cle of time,  
breath - less clay; all is sol - i - tude and gloom.



watch with him one bit - ter hour. Turn not from his  
oh, the pangs his soul sus - tained! Shun not suf - f'ring,  
God's own sac - ri - fice com - plete. "It is fin - ished!"  
Who has tak - en him a - way? Christ is ris'n! He



griefs a - way; learn from Je - sus Christ to pray.  
pain, or loss; learn from him to bear the cross.  
hear him cry; learn from Je - sus Christ to die.  
meets our eyes. Sav - ior, teach us so to rise.

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# Holy Week and Easter Celebrations

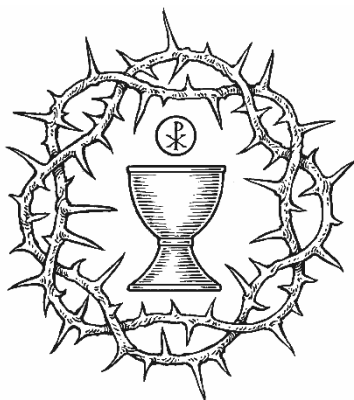


## **Palm Sunday**

Saturday, April 1 at 6:30 PM

Sunday, April 2 at 7:45 & 10:15 AM

Procession of Palms and choirs sing  
at the 10:15 AM service



## **Maundy Thursday**

Thursday, April 6 at 6:30 PM

Lord's Supper

Choir will sing



## **Good Friday**

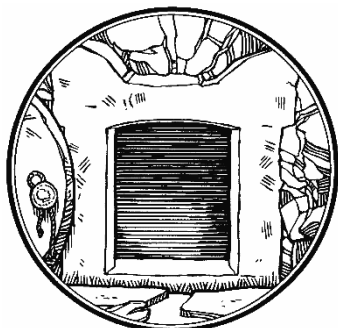
*Service of Darkness*

Friday, April 7, 2023

1:00pm & 7:00 PM

Lord Supper at both

Choir at the 7:00 PM service



## **Easter Sunday**

Sunday, April 9, 2023

*Sunrise Service at 6:30 AM*

*Festival Service at 9:00 AM*

*Choir will sing at both services*

*Easter breakfast will be served between services Easter Sunday  
in the fellowship hall from 7:30 to 8:45 am.*

*We would love to see you there!*