

Theme for Worship: Isaiah 53: 3

He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief;  
and as one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

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Call to Worship: Psalm 116

1 I love the LORD, because he has heard my voice and my pleas for mercy.

2 Because he inclined his ear to me, therefore I will call on him as long as I live.

3 The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me;

I suffered distress and anguish. 4 Then I called on the name of the LORD:

“O LORD, I pray, deliver my soul!” 5 Gracious is the LORD, and righteous; our God is merciful.

6 The LORD preserves the simple; when I was brought low, he saved me.

7 Return, O my soul, to your rest; for the LORD has dealt bountifully with you.

8 For you have delivered my soul from death, my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling;

9 I will walk before the LORD in the land of the living.

10 I believed, even when I spoke: “I am greatly afflicted”; 11 I said in my alarm, “All mankind are liars.”

12 What shall I render to the LORD FOR ALL HIS BENEFITS TO ME? 13 I will lift up the cup of salvation

and call on the name of the LORD, 14 I will pay my vows to the LORD IN THE PRESENCE OF ALL HIS PEOPLE.

15 Precious in the sight of the LORD IS THE DEATH OF HIS saints. 16 O LORD, I am your servant;

I am your servant, the son of your maidservant. You have loosed my bonds. 17 I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call on the name of the LORD. 18 I will pay my vows to the LORD IN THE PRESENCE OF ALL HIS PEOPLE, 19 in the courts of the house of the LORD, in your midst, O Jerusalem. Praise the LORD!

Prayer of Adoration

Hymn: #251 “Beneath the Cross of Jesus”

### **Jesus Was Rejected**

Scripture Reading: Matthew 26:1-5

When Jesus had finished all these sayings, he said to his disciples, 2 “You know that after two days the Passover is coming, and the Son of Man will be delivered up to be crucified.” 3 Then the chief priests and the elders of the people gathered in the palace of the high priest, whose name was Caiaphas, 4 and plotted together in order to arrest Jesus by stealth and kill him. 5 But they said, “Not during the feast, lest there be an uproar among the people.”

### **Jesus Was Betrayed**

Scripture Reading: Matthew 26:14-16

Then one of the twelve, whose name was Judas Iscariot, went to the chief priests 15 and said, “What will you give me if I deliver him over to you?” And they paid him thirty pieces of silver. 16 And from that moment he sought an opportunity to betray him.

Hymn: #246 “Man of Sorrows! What a Name” (Hallelujah! What a Savior!)

### **Jesus Was Arrested**

Scripture Reading Matthew 26:47-56

While he was still speaking, Judas came, one of the twelve, and with him a great crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests and the elders of the people. **48** Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, "The one I will kiss is the man; seize him." **49** And he came up to Jesus at once and said, "Greetings, Rabbi!" And he kissed him. **50** Jesus said to him, "Friend, do what you came to do." Then they came up and laid hands on Jesus and seized him. **51** And behold, one of those who were with Jesus stretched out his hand and drew his sword and struck the servant of the high priest and cut off his ear. **52** Then Jesus said to him, "Put your sword back into its place. For all who take the sword will perish by the sword. **53** Do you think that I cannot appeal to my Father, and he will at once send me more than twelve legions of angels? **54** But how then should the Scriptures be fulfilled, that it must be so?" **55** At that hour Jesus said to the crowds, "Have you come out as against a robber, with swords and clubs to capture me? Day after day I sat in the temple teaching, and you did not seize me. **56** But all this has taken place that the Scriptures of the prophets might be fulfilled." Then all the disciples left him and fled.

### **Jesus Was Condemned**

Scripture Reading: Matthew 26:57-68

Then those who had seized Jesus led him to Caiaphas the high priest, where the scribes and the elders had gathered. **58** And Peter was following him at a distance, as far as the courtyard of the high priest, and going inside he sat with the guards to see the end. **59** Now the chief priests and the whole council were seeking false testimony against Jesus that they might put him to death, **60** but they found none, though many false witnesses came forward. At last two came forward **61** and said, "This man said, 'I am able to destroy the temple of God, and to rebuild it in three days.'" **62** And the high priest stood up and said, "Have you no answer to make? What is it that these men testify against you?" **63** But Jesus remained silent. And the high priest said to him, "I adjure you by the living God, tell us if you are the Christ, the Son of God." **64** Jesus said to him, "You have said so. But I tell you, from now on you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of Power and coming on the clouds of heaven." **65** Then the high priest tore his robes and said, "He has uttered blasphemy. What further witnesses do we need? You have now heard his blasphemy. **66** What is your judgment?" They answered, "He deserves death." **67** Then they spit in his face and struck him. And some slapped him, **68** saying, "Prophecy to us, you Christ! Who is it that struck you?"

*Hymn: #247 "O Sacred Head Now Wounded" (Please note traditional chords on the downloaded version)*

### **Jesus Was Sentenced**

Scripture Reading: Matthew 27:24-26

So when Pilate saw that he was gaining nothing, but rather that a riot was beginning, he took water and washed his hands before the crowd, saying, "I am innocent of this man's blood; see to it yourselves." **25** And all the people answered, "His blood be on us and on our children!" **26** Then he released for them Barabbas, and having scourged Jesus, delivered him to be crucified.

### **Jesus Was Mocked**

Scripture Reading: Matthew 27:27-31

Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the governor's headquarters, and they gathered the whole battalion before him. **28** And they stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, **29** and twisting together a crown of thorns, they put it on his head and put a reed in his right hand. And kneeling before him, they mocked him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!" **30** And they spit on him and took the reed and struck him on the head. **31** And when they had mocked him, they stripped him of the robe and put his own clothes on him and led him away to crucify him.

### **Jesus Was Crucified**

Scripture Reading Matthew 27:32-44

As they went out, they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name. They compelled this man to carry his cross. **33** And when they came to a place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull), **34** they offered him wine to drink, mixed with gall, but when he tasted it, he would not drink it. **35** And when they had crucified him, they divided his garments among them by casting lots. **36** Then they sat down and kept watch over him there. **37** And over his head they put the charge against him, which read, "This is Jesus, the King of the Jews." **38** Then two robbers were crucified with him, one on the right and one on the left. **39** And those who passed by derided him, wagging their heads **40** and saying, "You

who would destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, save yourself! If you are the Son of God, come down from the cross.” 41 So also the chief priests, with the scribes and elders, mocked him, saying, 42 “He saved others; he cannot save himself. He is the King of Israel; let him come down now from the cross, and we will believe in him. 43 He trusts in God; let God deliver him now, if he desires him. For he said, ‘I am the Son of God.’” 44 And the robbers who were crucified with him also reviled him in the same way.

Message: “Jesus Was Crucified”

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Introduction:

*-Jesus set his face to go to Jerusalem*

*-Matthew, a tax collector*

*-backdrop: Isaiah 53:3,7*

### **Jesus Was Crucified**

*v.32-36*

*-he was tortured*

*-he was crucified*

*-he was cursed*

### **Jesus Was Charged: This is the King of the Jews**

*v.37*

### **Jesus Was Mocked, Ridiculed & Rejected by Men**

*v.39-44*

### **Jesus Is the Son of God**

*v.40-44*

*-the accusations:*

*-He saved others...*

*-God delivered Him*

*-He is the Son of God*

Conclusion

### **Jesus Died**

Scripture Reading: Matthew 27:45-56

Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land until the ninth hour. 46 And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, “Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?” that is, “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?” 47 And some of the bystanders, hearing it, said, “This man is calling Elijah.” 48 And one of them at once ran and took a sponge, filled it with sour wine, and put it on a reed and gave it to him to drink. 49 But the others said, “Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him.” 50 And Jesus cried out again with a loud voice and yielded up his spirit.

51 And behold, the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. And the earth shook, and the rocks were split. 52 The tombs also were opened. And many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised, 53 and coming out of the tombs after his resurrection they went into the holy city and appeared to many. 54 When the centurion and those who were with him, keeping watch over Jesus, saw the earthquake and what took place, they were filled with awe and said, “Truly this was the Son of God!”

55 There were also many women there, looking on from a distance, who had followed Jesus from Galilee, ministering to him, 56 among whom were Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James and Joseph and the mother of the sons of Zebedee.

*Hymn: #252 “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross” (please omit verse 4 of the linked copy; it is not in the Trinity hymnal)*

## **Jesus Was Buried**

Scripture Reading: Matthew 27:57-66

When it was evening, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who also was a disciple of Jesus. **58** He went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then Pilate ordered it to be given to him. **59** And Joseph took the body and wrapped it in a clean linen shroud **60** and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had cut in the rock. And he rolled a great stone to the entrance of the tomb and went away. **61** Mary Magdalene and the other Mary were there, sitting opposite the tomb.

**62** The next day, that is, after the day of Preparation, the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered before Pilate **63** and said, "Sir, we remember how that impostor said, while he was still alive, 'After three days I will rise.' **64** Therefore order the tomb to be made secure until the third day, lest his disciples go and steal him away and tell the people, 'He has risen from the dead,' and the last fraud will be worse than the first." **65** Pilate said to them, "You have a guard of soldiers. Go, make it as secure as you can." **66** So they went and made the tomb secure by sealing the stone and setting a guard.

## **The Tomb Was Closed and Sealed**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**The Aaronic Benediction**