



“Surely he hath borne our grief and carried our sorrows.”

Isaiah 53:4

Good Friday Service

March 25, 2016
Bethpage Presbyterian Church

7:00 P.M.
Sanctuary

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE “Man of Sorrows” John Cumberland

PRAYER OF PREPARATION (meditated upon in silence)

O people, lament your great sin, for the sake of which Christ left his Father’s bosom and came to earth. Of a pure, gentle virgin Jesus was born for us; he gave life to the dead and put aside all sickness until the time arrived that he should be sacrificed for us. He bore the heavy burden of our sins stretched out on the cross.

**CALL TO WORSHIP* Rev. Ellen Campbell Gardner

Leader: The light has come into the world, and the world loved darkness rather than light.

ALL: God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

**HYMN # 83* “O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High” DEO GRACIAS
(stanza 1: solo voice, stanzas 2-3: choir, stanzas 4-5: all)

OPENING PRAYER by William W. How Rev. Ernest L. Gardner III

Most gracious God, look with mercy upon your children gathered here for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was betrayed, given into sinful hands, and suffered death upon the cross. Strengthen our faith and forgive our betrayals as we enter the way of his passion; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, forever and ever. Amen.

ANTHEM “How Deep the Father’s Love for Us” Stuart Townend

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

SCRIPTURE Revelation 6:12-17 Rev. Ellen Campbell Gardner

MEDITATION “The Wrath of the Lamb”

THE SERVICE OF SHADOWS

The Shadow of Betrayal

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 22:1-6 Dennis Graybeal
RESPONSE # 93 "Ah, Holy Jesus" HERZLIEBSTER JESU

The Shadow of the Agony of the Spirit

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 26:36-44 Rev. Gardner
QUARTET RESPONSE "Kyrie" Arr. by Jay Rouse, Music by Antonin Dvorak

The Shadow of Arrest

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 14:43-49 Marcia Graybeal
RESPONSE # 97 "Go to Dark Gethsemane" REDHEAD

The Shadow of Desertion

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 14:50, 66-72 Rev. Campbell Gardner
RESPONSE # 98 "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" PASSION CHORALE

The Shadow of Accusation

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 27:11-18, 21-26 Dennis Graybeal
FLUTE RESPONSE

The Shadow of Crucifixion & Humiliation

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 27:27-37 Rev. Gardner
RESPONSE # 2113 "Lamb of God" SWEET LAMB OF GOD

The Shadow of Death

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 27:45-54 Marcia Graybeal
RESPONSE # 101 "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" HAMBURG

The Shadow of Burial

SCRIPTURE READING John 19:38-42 Rev. Campbell Gardner
CHORAL RESPONSE "The Power of the Cross" Getty/Townend
SILENT REFLECTION
THE CHRIST CANDLE IS REMOVED

HYMN # 101 (stanza 4) "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" HAMBURG
**Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small.
Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.**

THE DISMISSAL (in unison)

**May the Christ who walks on wounded feet walk with you on the road.
May the Christ who serves with wounded hands stretch out your hands to serve.
May the Christ who loves with a wounded heart open your hearts to love.
May you see the face of Christ in everyone you meet- may everyone you meet
see the face of Christ in you. Amen.**

The People Leave in Silence

† † † †
*An asterisk indicates that all who are able may stand.

Easter Sunday ~ March 27, 2016

Sunrise Service at 7:15 AM in the Church Cemetery
(Please bring something to sit on and flowers for the cross.)

Breakfast following the Sunrise Service
in the Church Fellowship Hall

The Celebration of the Resurrection
with Communion at the 9:55 AM Worship Service

Bethpage Presbyterian Church

6020 Mooresville Road • Kannapolis NC 28081
704-933-2209

website: www.bethpagechurch.org
e-mail: info@bethpagechurch.org

Rev. Ellen Campbell Gardner:
704-431-3700 (cell), 704-934-3457 (home)