Thank you to Mona Hjerpe for special music. Thank you to Sharon Barton for playing the organ. Thank you also, Bill and Diane Popken, for sponsoring this special radio broadcast in honor of their family. "Truly this man was God's Son!" Mark 15:39

# Easter Sunday Schedule – April 12, 2020

6:00 a.m. Sunrise Service from an undisclosed location, broadcast live on Facebook

> 8:00 a.m. Traditional Easter Service broadcast live on KDUZ and Facebook also on HCVN at 10 a.m.

10:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service broadcast live on Facebook



# "The Seven Last Words of Christ"

Prelude

Greetings and Announcements

Opening Hymn "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" 117 Green

# # The First Word – Luke 23:32-34

Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. 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.

# Let us pray:

Merciful, everlasting God, who did not spare your own Son, but delivered him up for us all so that he might bear our sin upon the cross: Grant that our hearts may never be terrified or dismayed in this faith, but filled with assurance of the full forgiveness of our sin, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Meditation on the First Word Pastor Paulus Pilgrim

Hymn ...... "O Come, and Stand Beneath the Cross" (sts. 1-3)

## **<u>H</u>The Second Word** – Luke 23:39-43

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."*  Hymn ...... "O Come, and Stand Beneath the Cross" (st. 11)

# **<u> </u><u></u><u><b>H**</u><u>**E**</u><u>**Seventh Word**</u> − *Luke 23:44-47*

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.

#### Let us pray:

Merciful Lord God, your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ was faithful unto death, even death on a cross. Grant us such faith, that we may find comfort in our sorrow and, in our dying breath, might commend our spirits into your hands, trusting in the Lamb who was slain, whose blood sets us free to be your people. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Meditation	on the Seventh	Word	Pastor Dave Wollan
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Hymn ..... "O Come, and Stand Beneath the Cross" (sts. 12 & 13)

**Closing Prayer** 

Lord's Prayer

# Final Reading - Mark 15:37-39

Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. Now when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said, "Truly this man was God's Son!"

Special Music	"Were You There?"	Mona Hjerpe
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Silent Dismissal

At the conclusion of the service, you are invited to pound the nail in your home worship kit into a cross or other piece of wood. This is a symbolic act that connects our sins to Christ's crucifixion and death. Jesus bore our sins upon that cross. With a nail and a hammer, we acknowledge that our sins were crucified along with Christ. "For our sake God made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God." II Corinthians 5:21 Let us pray:

Eternal God, who allowed your Son to suffer the agony of the cross so that you might drive from us the enemy's power: Grant that by his suffering and death, we may receive forgiveness of sin and redemption to eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Meditation on the Fourth Word Pastor Dave Wollan

Hymn ...... "O Come, and Stand Beneath the Cross" (sts. 8-9)

#### #The Fifth Word – John 19:28-29

After this, when Jesus knew that all was now finished, he said (in order to fulfill the scripture), "I am thirsty." A jar full of sour wine was standing there. So they put a sponge full of the wine on a branch of hyssop and held it to his mouth.

#### Let us pray:

Father of mercies, grant us the refreshment of your Word of life to quench our thirst and to be the spring of water that wells up to eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Meditation on the Fifth Word Brian Lauer, Seminarian

Hymn ...... "O Come, and Stand Beneath the Cross" (st. 10)

Offering/ Special Music: ..... "Were You There?/O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" ..... Sharon Barton

#### #The Sixth Word – John 19:30

When Jesus had received the wine, he said, "It is finished." Then he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

#### Let us pray:

Lord God, in the death of Jesus, your anointed Son, all was accomplished for our salvation. Finish now your work in our lives and in this broken world, to free us from our bondage to sin and death, and restore us to right relationship with you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Meditation on the Sixth Word ...... Pastor Paul Knudson

Let us pray:

Almighty God, who by the death of your Son has destroyed the power of sin and death, deliver us from the devil's sway, so that we may live in your kingdom, now and always. Grant that we may believe the Gospel with all our heart and, steadfast in faith, praise and thank you always, in Jesus' name. Amen.

Meditation on the Second Word

Pastor Scott Grorud

Hymn ...... "O Come, and Stand Beneath the Cross" (sts. 4 & 5)

# #The Third Word – John 19:25-27

Meanwhile, standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, *"Woman, here is your son."* Then he said to the disciple, *"Here is your mother."* And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

#### Let us pray:

Almighty God and Father, as your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, took care for his mother even in the throes of mortal agony, so look with mercy on your whole family on earth. Hold us securely in your love, grant us all we need for life and health, and, at our last hour, bring us from the sorrow of this world to yourself in heaven, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

Meditation on the Third Word Jeff Amundson, Intern

Hymn ...... "O Come, and Stand Beneath the Cross" (sts. 6 & 7)

## **<u><b>H**</u><u>The Fourth Word</u> – Mark 15:33-34

When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?" which means, *"My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"*