



A SERVICE IN REMEMBRANCE OF
AND THANKSGIVING FOR

**THE SACRIFICE OF OUR
LORD AND SAVIOR
JESUS CHRIST**

And they clothed him in a purple cloak,
and twisting together a crown of thorns, they put it on him.
And they began to salute him,
“Hail, King of the Jews!”

MARK 15:17-18

SERVICE NOTES

Welcome to Franconia Baptist Church and to our service devoted to meditating on the supremacy of our Savior, Jesus Christ. At this time of year, Christians have traditionally remembered the passion and death of Jesus. How can we claim to gather to celebrate the excellency of someone who was publicly humiliated and suffered a horrible death?

A crucified Savior seems to be a contradiction in terms. The first century Jews were scandalized by the claim that their Messiah was accursed and nailed to the cross. Gentiles simply regarded the claims of Christianity as foolishness. But the disciples understood that Jesus Christ came as the One who spoke to God the Father in our defense. Jesus is the atoning sacrifice for our sins. He bore our sins in His own body on the cross and rose again from the dead three days later. Now, He has been exalted to the highest place.

Our service this evening follows the narrative in Mark's gospel. We will consider who Jesus was, why He entered into the world, and what His death achieved.

The congregation will sing the hymns indicated with no verbal instructions given.

We invite you to prepare your heart for worship in quiet meditation.

ORDER OF SERVICE

WELCOME AND OPENING PRAYER

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 107:43

READING #1 **Jesus Is Anointed and Betrayed** (Mark 14:1-11)

RESPONSE "When I Survey The Wondrous Cross"

READING #2 **Jesus Is Abandoned by His Own** (Mark 14:32-50)

RESPONSE "I Stand Amazed"

READING #3 **Jesus Is Falsely Accused** (Mark 14:53-65)

RESPONSE "Ah Holy Jesus"

READING #4 **Jesus Is Condemned** (Mark 15:1-20)

RESPONSE "O Sacred Head Now Wounded"

READING #5 **Jesus Is Crucified** (Mark 15:21-32)

RESPONSE "Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted"

READING #6 **Jesus Is Forsaken and Buried** (Mark 15:33-47)

RESPONSE "See The Destined Day Arise"

READING #7 **Christ Died for the Ungodly** (Romans 5:6-11)

RESPONSE "In Christ Alone"

BENEDICTION 2 Corinthians 13:14

WELCOME AND OPENING PRAYER

SCRIPTURAL CALL TO WORSHIP

PSALM 107:43

Whoever is wise, let him attend to these things;
let them consider the steadfast love of the LORD.

READING #1 JESUS IS BETRAYED AND ANOINTED - MARK 14:1-11

¹ It was now two days before the Passover and the Feast of Unleavened Bread. And the chief priests and the scribes were seeking how to arrest him by stealth and kill him, ² for they said, “Not during the feast, lest there be an uproar from the people.” ³ And while he was at Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, as he was reclining at table, a woman came with an alabaster flask of ointment of pure nard, very costly, and she broke the flask and poured it over his head. ⁴ There were some who said to themselves indignantly, “Why was the ointment wasted like that?” ⁵ For this ointment could have been sold for more than three hundred denarii and given to the poor.” And they scolded her. ⁶ But Jesus said, “Leave her alone. Why do you trouble her? She has done a beautiful thing to me. ⁷ For you always have the poor with you, and whenever you want, you can do good for them. But you will not always have me. ⁸ She has done what she could; she has anointed my body beforehand for burial. ⁹ And truly, I say to you, wherever the gospel is proclaimed in the whole world, what she has done will be told in memory of her.” ¹⁰ Then Judas Iscariot, who was one of the twelve, went to the chief priests in order to betray him to them. ¹¹ And when they heard it, they were glad and promised to give him money. And he sought an opportunity to betray him.

SILENT REFLECTION

PSALM 41:9

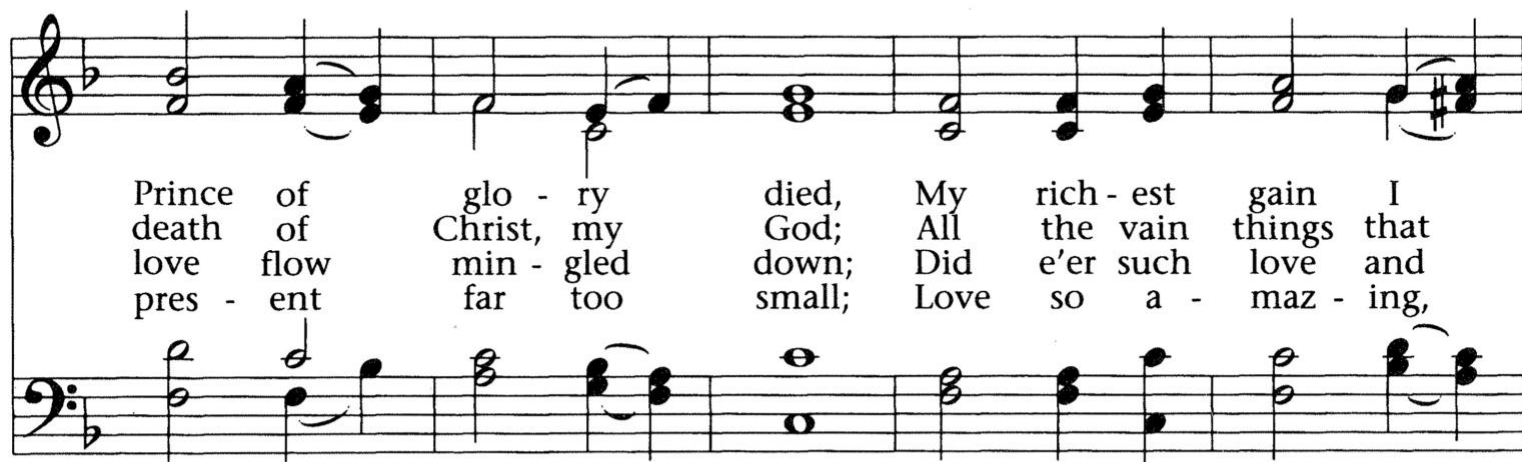
⁹ Even my close friend in whom I trusted,
who ate my bread, has lifted his heel against me.

RESPONSE:

“WHEN I SURVEY THE WONDROUS CROSS”



1. When I sur - vey the won - drous cross, On which the
 2. For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast, Save in the
 3. See, from His head, His hands, His feet, Sor - row and
 4. Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, That were a



Prince of glo - ry died, My rich - est gain I
 death of Christ, my God; All the vain things that
 love flow min - gled down; Did e'er such love and
 pres - ent far too small; Love so a - maz - ing,



count but loss, And pour con - tempt on all my pride.
 charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to His blood.
 sor - row meet, Or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
 so di - vine, De - mands my soul, my life, my all.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), Music: Lowell Mason (1792-1872), Public Domain

READING #2 JESUS IS ABANDONED BY HIS OWN - MARK 14:32-50

³² And they went to a place called Gethsemane. And he said to his disciples, "Sit here while I pray." ³³ And he took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be greatly distressed and troubled. ³⁴ And he said to them, "My soul is very sorrowful, even to death. Remain here and watch." ³⁵ And going a little farther, he fell on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. ³⁶ And he said, "Abba, Father, all things are possible for you. Remove this cup from me. Yet not what I will, but what you will." ³⁷ And he came and found them sleeping, and he said to Peter, "Simon, are you asleep? Could you not watch one hour? ³⁸ Watch and pray that you may not enter into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak." ³⁹ And again he went away and prayed, saying the same words. ⁴⁰ And again he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were very heavy, and they did not know what to answer him. ⁴¹ And he came the third time and said to them, "Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? It is enough; the hour has come. The Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. ⁴² Rise, let us be going; see, my betrayer is at hand." ⁴³ And immediately, while he was still speaking, Judas came, one of the twelve, and with him a crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests and the scribes and the elders. ⁴⁴ Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, "The one I will kiss is the man. Seize him and lead him away under guard." ⁴⁵ And when he came, he went up to him at once and said, "Rabbi!" And he kissed him. ⁴⁶ And they laid hands on him and seized him. ⁴⁷ But one of those who stood by drew his sword and struck the servant of the high priest and cut off his ear. ⁴⁸ And Jesus said to them, "Have you come out as against a robber, with swords and clubs to capture me? ⁴⁹ Day after day I was with you in the temple teaching, and you did not seize me. But let the Scriptures be fulfilled." ⁵⁰ And they all left him and fled.

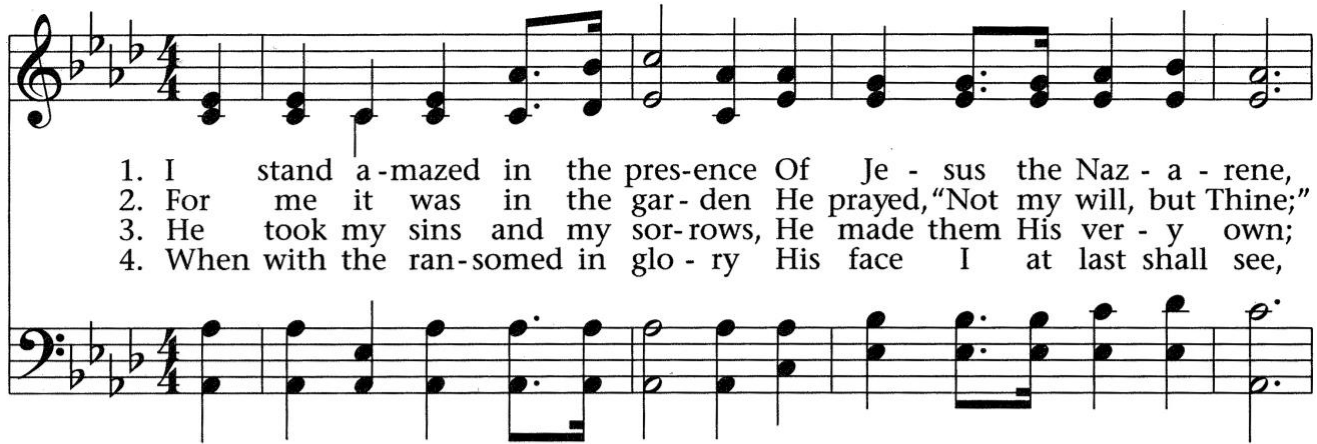
SILENT REFLECTION

PSALM 88:8-9

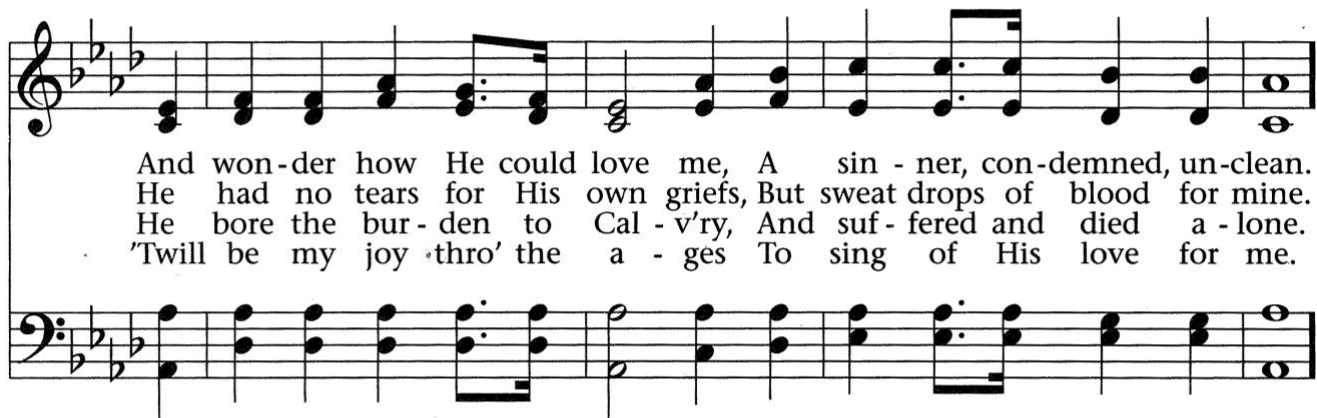
⁸ You have caused my companions to shun me;
you have made me a horror to them.
I am shut in so that I cannot escape;
⁹ my eye grows dim through sorrow.
Every day I call upon you, O LORD;
I spread out my hands to you.

RESPONSE:

"I STAND AMAZED"



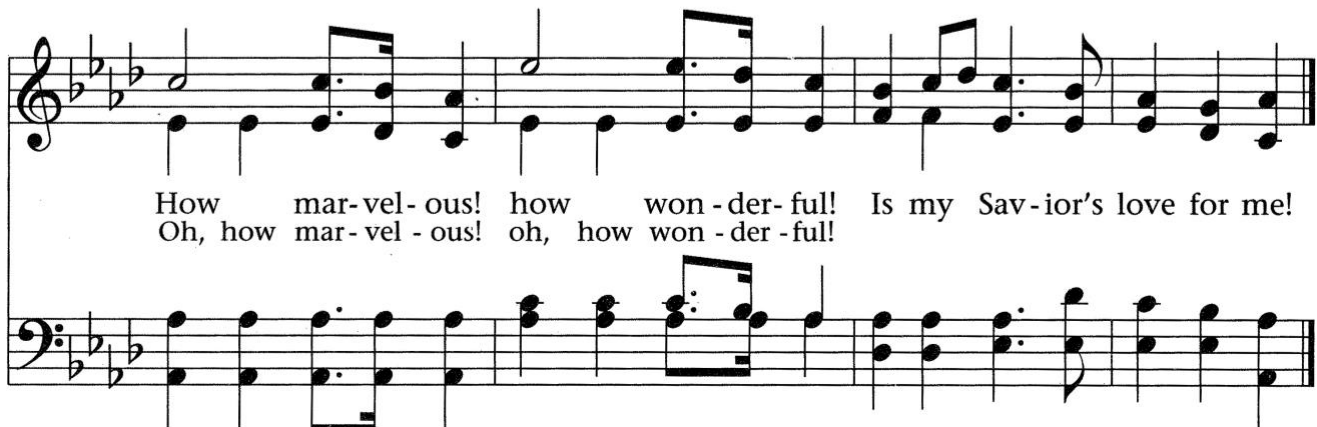
1. I stand a-mazed in the pres-ence Of Je - sus the Naz - a - rene,
 2. For me it was in the gar - den He prayed, "Not my will, but Thine;"
 3. He took my sins and my sor - rows, He made them His ver - y own;
 4. When with the ran-somed in glo - ry His face I at last shall see,



And won - der how He could love me, A sin - ner, con-demned, un-clean.
 He had no tears for His own griefs, But sweat drops of blood for mine.
 He bore the bur - den to Cal - v'ry, And suf - fered and died a - lone.
 'Twill be my joy thro' the a - ges To sing of His love for me.



How mar-vel-ous! how won - der-ful! And my song shall ev-er be;
 Oh, how mar-vel-ous! oh, how won - der-ful!



How mar-vel-ous! how won - der-ful! Is my Sav-ior's love for me!
 Oh, how mar-vel-ous! oh, how won - der-ful!

READING #3

JESUS IS FALSELY ACCUSED - MARK 14:53-65

⁵³ And they led Jesus to the high priest. And all the chief priests and the elders and the scribes came together. ⁵⁴ And Peter had followed him at a distance, right into the courtyard of the high priest. And he was sitting with the guards and warming himself at the fire. ⁵⁵ Now the chief priests and the whole council were seeking testimony against Jesus to put him to death, but they found none. ⁵⁶ For many bore false witness against him, but their testimony did not agree. ⁵⁷ And some stood up and bore false witness against him, saying, ⁵⁸ “We heard him say, ‘I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and in three days I will build another, not made with hands.’” ⁵⁹ Yet even about this their testimony did not agree. ⁶⁰ And the high priest stood up in the midst and asked Jesus, “Have you no answer to make? What is it that these men testify against you?” ⁶¹ But he remained silent and made no answer. Again the high priest asked him, “Are you the Christ, the Son of the Blessed?” ⁶² And Jesus said, “I am, and you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of Power, and coming with the clouds of heaven.” ⁶³ And the high priest tore his garments and said, “What further witnesses do we need? ⁶⁴ You have heard his blasphemy. What is your decision?” And they all condemned him as deserving death. ⁶⁵ And some began to spit on him and to cover his face and to strike him, saying to him, “Prophecy!” And the guards received him with blows.

SILENT REFLECTION

JOHN 1:10-13

¹¹ He came to his own, and his own people did not receive him.

RESPONSE: "AH HOLY JESUS"

1. Ah, ho - ly Je - sus, how hast Thou of - fend - ed,
2. Who was the guilt - y? Who brought this up - on Thee?
3. For me, kind Je - sus, was Thy in - car - na - tion,
4. There - fore, kind Je - sus, since I can - not pay Thee,

That man to judge Thee hath in hate pre - tend - ed? By foes de -
A - las, my trea - son, Je - sus, hath un - done Thee! 'Twas I, Lord
Thy mor - tal sor - row, and Thy life's ob - la - tion; Thy death of
I do a - dore Thee, and will ev - er pray Thee, Think on Thy

rid - ed, by Thine own re - ject - ed, O most af - flict - ed!
Je - sus, I it was de - nied Thee; I cru - ci - fied Thee.
an - guish and Thy bit - ter pas - sion, For my sal - va - tion.
pit - y and Thy love un - swerv - ing, Not my de - serv - ing.

The musical score is written for four voices (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and piano accompaniment. It features a 4/4 time signature and a key signature of three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat). The melody is primarily in the soprano and alto parts, with the piano providing harmonic support. The lyrics are arranged in four stanzas, each corresponding to a line of the musical score. The first stanza is a four-part setting of the opening phrase. The second and third stanzas are single-line settings for the Soprano voice. The fourth stanza is a four-part setting of the concluding phrase. The score ends with a double bar line.

READING #4

JESUS IS CONDEMNED - MARK 15:1-20

¹ And as soon as it was morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council. And they bound Jesus and led him away and delivered him over to Pilate. ² And Pilate asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" And he answered him, "You have said so." ³ And the chief priests accused him of many things. ⁴ And Pilate again asked him, "Have you no answer to make? See how many charges they bring against you." ⁵ But Jesus made no further answer, so that Pilate was amazed. ⁶ Now at the feast he used to release for them one prisoner for whom they asked. ⁷ And among the rebels in prison, who had committed murder in the insurrection, there was a man called Barabbas. ⁸ And the crowd came up and began to ask Pilate to do as he usually did for them. ⁹ And he answered them, saying, "Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?" ¹⁰ For he perceived that it was out of envy that the chief priests had delivered him up. ¹¹ But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release for them Barabbas instead. ¹² And Pilate again said to them, "Then what shall I do with the man you call the King of the Jews?" ¹³ And they cried out again, "Crucify him." ¹⁴ And Pilate said to them, "Why, What evil has he done?" But they shouted all the more, "Crucify him." ¹⁵ So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released for them Barabbas, and having scourged Jesus, he delivered him to be crucified. ¹⁶ And the soldiers led him away inside the palace (that is, the governor's headquarters), and they called together the whole battalion. ¹⁷ And they clothed him in a purple cloak, and twisting together a crown of thorns, they put it on him. ¹⁸ And they began to salute him, "Hail, King of the Jews!" ¹⁹ And they were striking his head with a reed and spitting on him and kneeling down in homage to him. ²⁰ And when they had mocked him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes on him. And they led him out to crucify him.

SILENT REFLECTION

ISAIAH 53:7-9

⁷ He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he opened not his mouth.

RESPONSE:

“O SACRED HEAD NOW WOUNDED”



1. O sa - cred Head, now wound - ed, With grief and shame weighed down,
 2. What Thou, my Lord, hast suf - fered Was all for sin - ners' gain:
 3. What lan - guage shall I bor - row To thank Thee, dear - est Friend,

Now scorn - ful - ly sur - round - ed With thorns, Thine on - ly crown;
 Mine, mine was the trans - gres - sion, But Thine the dead - ly pain;
 For this Thy dy - ing sor - row, Thy pit - y with - out end?

How pale Thou art with an - guish, With sore a - buse and scorn!
 Lo, here I fall, my Sav - ior! 'Tis I de - serve Thy place;
 O make me Thine for - ev - er, And should I faint - ing be,

How does that vis - age lan - guish Which once was bright as morn!
 Look on me with Thy fa - vor, Vouch - safe to me Thy grace.
 Lord, let me nev - er, nev - er Out - live my love to Thee.

Words: P. Gerhardt (1607-1676), based on a Medieval Latin poem

Music: melody by H.L. Hassler (1564-1612), harmony by J.S. Bach (1685-1750), Public Domain

READING #5**JESUS IS CRUCIFIED - MARK 15:21-32**

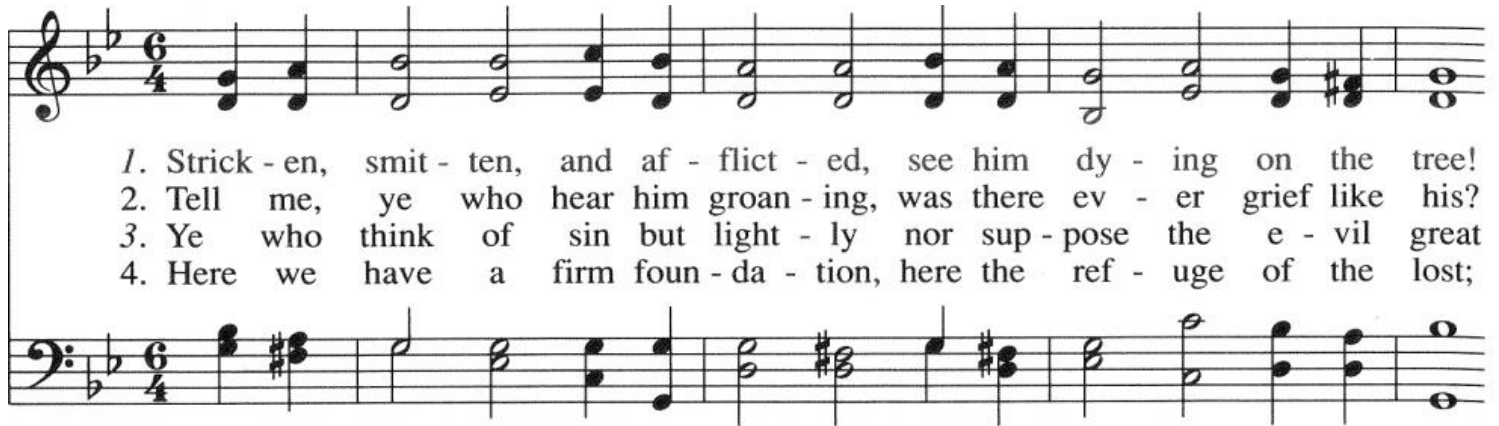
²¹ And they compelled a passerby, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming in from the country, the father of Alexander and Rufus, to carry his cross. ²² And they brought him to the place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull). ²³ And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh, but he did not take it. ²⁴ And they crucified him and divided his garments among them, casting lots for them, to decide what each should take. ²⁵ And it was the third hour when they crucified him. ²⁶ And the inscription of the charge against him read, “The King of the Jews.” ²⁷ And with him they crucified two robbers, one on his right and one on his left. ²⁹ And those who passed by derided him, wagging their heads and saying, “Aha! You who would destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, ³⁰ save yourself, and come down from the cross!” ³¹ So also the chief priests with the scribes mocked him to one another, saying, “He saved others; he cannot save himself. ³² Let the Christ, the King of Israel, come down now from the cross that we may see and believe.” Those who were crucified with him also reviled him.

SILENT REFLECTION**PSALM 22:16-18**

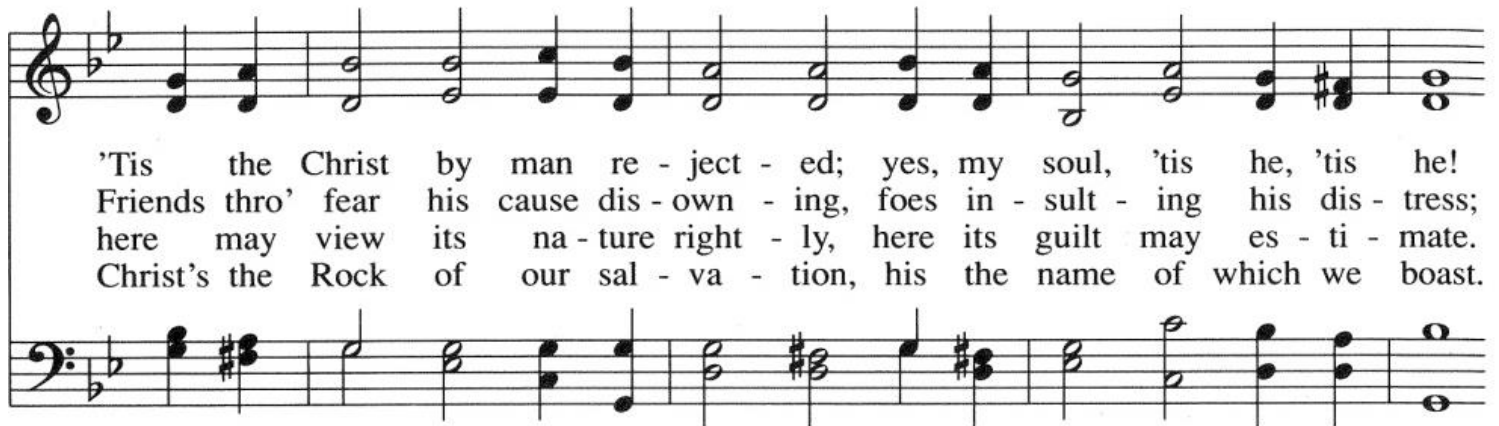
¹⁶ For dogs encompass me;
a company of evildoers encircles me;
they have pierced my hands and feet—
¹⁷ I can count all my bones—
they stare and gloat over me;
¹⁸ they divide my garments among them,
and for my clothing they cast lots.

RESPONSE:

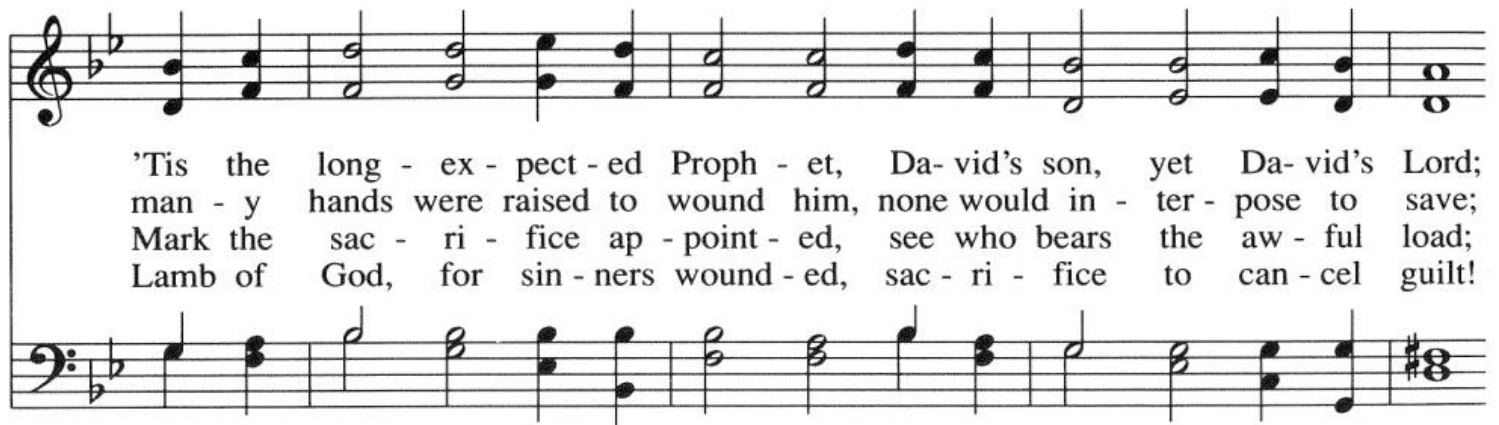
“STRICKEN, SMITTEN, AND AFFLICTED”



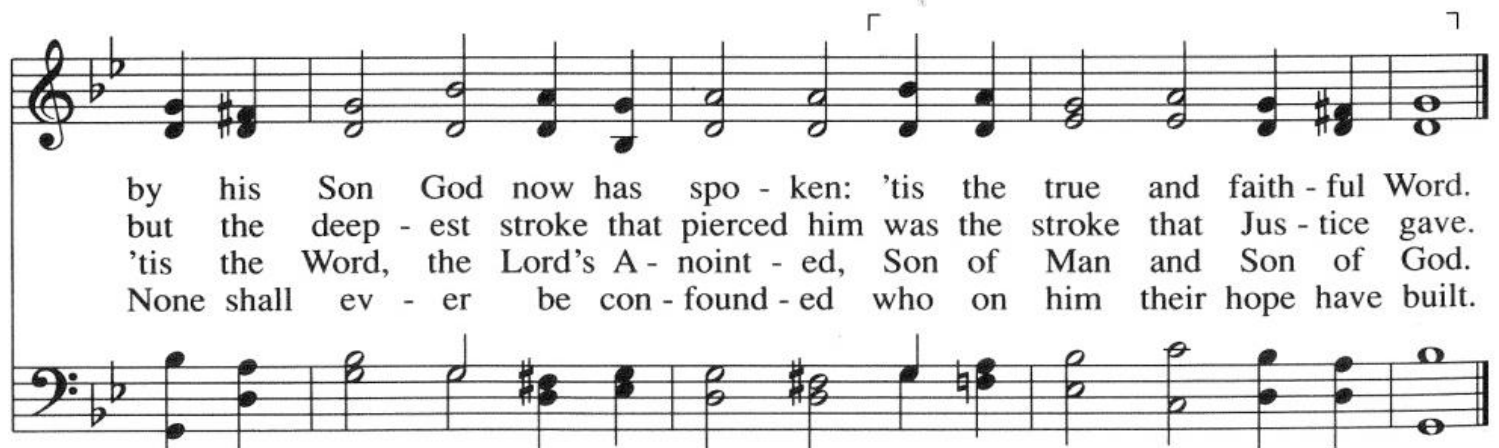
1. Strick - en, smit - ten, and af - flict - ed, see him dy - ing on the tree!
 2. Tell me, ye who hear him groan - ing, was there ev - er grief like his?
 3. Ye who think of sin but light - ly nor sup - pose the e - vil great
 4. Here we have a firm foun - da - tion, here the ref - uge of the lost;



'Tis the Christ by man re - ject - ed; yes, my soul, 'tis he, 'tis he!
 Friends thro' fear his cause dis - own - ing, foes in - sult - ing his dis - tress;
 here may view its na - ture right - ly, here its guilt may es - ti - mate.
 Christ's the Rock of our sal - va - tion, his the name of which we boast.



'Tis the long - ex - pect - ed Proph - et, Da - vid's son, yet Da - vid's Lord;
 man - y hands were raised to wound him, none would in - ter - pose to save;
 Mark the sac - ri - fice ap - point - ed, see who bears the aw - ful load;
 Lamb of God, for sin - ners wound - ed, sac - ri - fice to can - cel guilt!



by his Son God now has spo - ken: 'tis the true and faith - ful Word.
 but the deep - est stroke that pierced him was the stroke that Jus - tice gave.
 'tis the Word, the Lord's A - noint - ed, Son of Man and Son of God.
 None shall ev - er be con - found - ed who on him their hope have built.

READING #6 JESUS IS FORSAKEN AND BURIED - MARK 15:33-47

³³ And when the sixth hour had come, there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour. ³⁴ And at the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, “Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?” which means, “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?” ³⁵ And some of the bystanders hearing it said, “Behold, he is calling Elijah.” ³⁶ And someone ran and filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a reed and gave it to him to drink, saying, “Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down.” ³⁷ And Jesus uttered a loud cry and breathed his last. ³⁸ And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. ³⁹ And when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said, “Truly this man was the Son of God!” ⁴⁰ There were also women looking on from a distance, among whom were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James the younger and of Joses, and Salome. ⁴¹ When he was in Galilee, they followed him and ministered to him, and there were also many other women who came up with him to Jerusalem. ⁴² And when evening had come, since it was the day of Preparation, that is, the day before the Sabbath, ⁴³ Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself looking for the kingdom of God, took courage and went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. ⁴⁴ Pilate was surprised to hear that he should have already died. And summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he was already dead. ⁴⁵ And when he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the corpse to Joseph. ⁴⁶ And Joseph bought a linen shroud, and taking him down, wrapped him in the linen shroud and laid him in a tomb that had been cut out of the rock. And he rolled a stone against the entrance of the tomb. ⁴⁷ Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses saw where he was laid.

SILENT REFLECTION

PSALM 22:1

¹ My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?
Why are you so far from saving me,
from the words of my groaning?

RESPONSE:

“SEE THE DESTINED DAY ARISE”



1. See the des - tined day a - rise! See a wil - ling sac - ri - fice!
2. Who but Christ had dared to drain, steeped in gall, the cup of pain,
3. Ho - ly Je - sus, grant us grace in that sac - ri - fice to place



Je - sus, to re - deem our loss, hangs up - on the shame - ful cross;
And with ten - der bo - dy bear thorns, and nails, and pierc - ing spear?
All our trust for life re - newed, Par - doned sin, and prom - ised good.



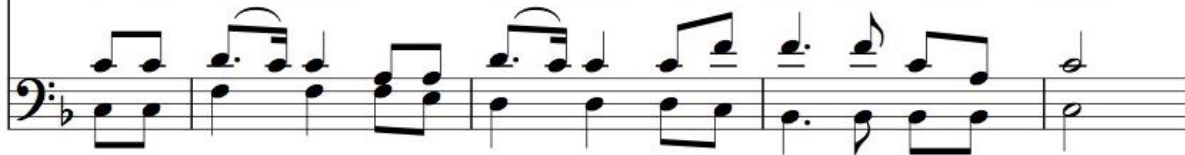
Je - sus, who but You could bear wrath so great and just - ice fair?
Slain for us, the wa - ter flowed, ming - led from your side with blood;
Grant us grace to sing your praise, 'round your throne through end - less days,



Ev - ery pang and bit - ter throe, fin - ish - ing your life of woe?
Sign to all at - tes - ting eyes of the fin - ished sac - ri - fice.
Ev - er with the sons of light: "Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, might!"



Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Lamb of God for sin - ners slain!



Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Je - sus Christ, we praise your name!



READING #7 CHRIST DIED TO JUSTIFY THE UNGODLY – ROMANS 5:6-11

⁶ For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷ For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— ⁸ but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. ⁹ Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. ¹⁰ For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. ¹¹ More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

SILENT REFLECTION 1 PETER 2:24-25

²⁴ He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. ²⁵ For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

RESPONSE:

"IN CHRIST ALONE"



1. In Christ a - lone, my hope is found, He is my Light, my strength, my song;
2. In Christ a - lone, who took on flesh, full-ness of God in help - less Babe;
3. There in the ground His bod - y lay, Light of the world by dark - ness slain;
4. No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the pow'r of Christ in me;



This Cor-ner-stone, this Sol - id Ground, firm through the fierc-est drought and
this gift of love and right-eous - ness scorned by the ones He came to
then burst-ing forth in glo - r'ous day, up from the grave He rose a -
from life's first cry to fi - nal breath, Je - sus com-mands my des - ti -



storm. What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when striv-ings
save. 'Til on that cross as Je - sus died, the wrath of God was sat - is -
gain. And as He stands in vic - to - ry, sin's curse has lost its grip on
ny. *No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man, can ev - er pluck me from His



Opt. raise key vr. 4
cease! My Com-fort-er, my all - in - all; here in the love of Christ I stand.
fied, for - ev - 'ry sin on Him was laid; here in the death of Christ I live.
me, for I am His and He is mine; bought with the pre-cious blood of Christ.
hand, 'til He re-turns or calls me home; here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.



BENEDICTION

SILENCE FOR REFLECTION AND PREPARATION

*After the benediction, please spend the next few moments silently reflecting
on our time together this evening.*

FOR FURTHER REFLECTION

WHO IS JESUS? | Our greatest prayer for you is that you would come to know Jesus. Though we have all rebelled against God, He sent Jesus, His only Son, into our broken world. Through Jesus's obedient life, sacrificial death, and victorious resurrection, sinners can be forgiven and reconciled to God through turning from our sins and trusting in Him.

If you are interested in learning more about Jesus, who was born to bring redemption for all who believe in Him, here are some suggestions:

READ | The Bible is God's message of salvation to us. If you do not own a Bible, you are welcome to take one of the copies provided in the pews as our gift to you. The book of John is a good place to begin. It explains who Jesus is, provides an account of his life, death and resurrection, and what it means to believe in him. Pray that God would give you understanding as you study.

CONNECT | Speak with one of the members of FBC. We would be happy to talk with you more about Jesus.

ATTEND | Continue attending the regular services of our church, in which we endeavor to explain the good news of Jesus's sacrifice and resurrection for the forgiveness of all who trust in him. As you attend, speak to others about any questions you might have. Service times are listed below.

Sunday School Classes - 9:30am
Sunday Morning Service - 10:45am
Wednesday Night Zoom Prayer - 6:30pm

David Fullerton – Pastor

5912 Franconia Road, Alexandria, VA 22310
(703) 971-4475 | office@franconiabaptist.org

Learn more about us and hear FBC sermons
on our website - www.franconiabaptist.org

