

Two hung beside you, dying in pain;  
one saw, in faith, your love's sacrifice.  
You told that man who called on your name,  
"You will be with me in Paradise."

You cried, "I'm thirsty!" suffering Lord.  
Who would give comfort? What would they do?  
Teach us again: When we serve the poor,  
we too are giving water to you.

"It is completed!" All was fulfilled.  
You had been faithful, living God's way.  
You knew the truth: Love could not be killed;  
there would be triumph on the third day.

"Father!" You cried out, praying to God,  
"Into your hands my spirit I give."  
Then on the cross, as love's final Word,  
You died so all God's children might live.

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## BENEDICTION

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## WELCOME!

We warmly welcome you to this worship service and pray you are blessed by being a part of our service no matter if you are here in person or you are viewing livestream. We are thankful for our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, who blesses us by meeting all our needs each day of the year!

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# Good Friday Service

## Northwood Presbyterian Church

April 7, 2023 Noon

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*"But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the Lord has the iniquity of us all"*  
Isaiah 53:4-5, NRSV

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Chris Curvin, Pastor

OPENING VOLUNTARY arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams  
"My Song Is Love Unknown"

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Who believes what we've heard and seen? Who would have thought God's saving power would look like this?

**People: Surely, he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we account him stricken, struck down by God and afflicted.**

Leader: But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole,

**People: and by his wounds we are healed.**

\*HYMN ##221 "O Sacred Head Now Wounded" PASSION CHORALE

**O sacred head, now wounded, with grief and shame weighed down;  
now scornfully surrounded with thorns, thine only crown;  
O sacred head, what glory, what bliss till now was thine!  
Yet, though despised and gory, I joy to call thee mine.**

**What thou, my Lord, hast suffered was all for sinners' gain:  
mine, mine was the transgression, but thine the deadly pain.  
Lo, here I fall, my Savior! 'Tis I deserve thy place;  
look on me with thy favor, and grant to me thy grace.**

**What language shall I borrow to thank thee, dearest friend,  
for this thy dying sorrow, thy pity without end?  
O make me thine forever; and should I fainting be,  
Lord, let me never, never outlive my love to thee.**

### CALL TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Gracious, heavenly Father, time and again we turn to the shadows of sin, and away from the light of your love. Forgive us, Lord. Help us to turn away from the paths of darkness, and cling forever to the cross on which our Savior suffered and died for our salvation. In Jesus' name. Amen.**

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

May Almighty God who is holy and just grant you through the death of his sinless Son true repentance, forgiveness of all your sins and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. Amen.

SOLO

"I Am He"

Terry Talbot

Soloist and Guitar, Randy Ball

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

HYMN #228

"Were You There"

WERE YOU THERE

(stanzas 1,2,3,5)

**Were you there when they crucified my Lord?  
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?  
O! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.  
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?**

**Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?  
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?  
O! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.  
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?**

**Were you there when they pierced him in the side?  
Were you there when they pierced him in the side?  
O! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.  
Were you there when they pierced him in the side?**

**Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?  
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?  
O! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.  
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?**

### SCRIPTURE READING

John 19:25-30 (NRSV)

### MESSAGE

"It Is Finished!"

Paul Means, Associate Pastor

\*HYMN #219

"Father, Forgive Them"

ADELAIDE

**"Father, forgive them! Jesus, you prayed;  
Even at death, your love was profound.  
You were rejected, you were betrayed –  
yet in your word here, mercies abound.**