



Ardmore Moravian Church

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Prelude

“O Sacred Head, Now Wounded”

Charles Callahan

Call to Worship

Hymn “Lord Who Throughout These Forty Days” #341

*Lord, who throughout these forty days
for us did fast and pray,
teach us with you to mourn our sins,
and close by you to stay.*

*As you with Satan did contend,
and did the vict'ry win,
O give us strength in you to fight,
in you to conquer sin.*

Responsive Reading

Lord God, our Father in heaven, you have shown your great love toward us by sending your Son into the world to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. We give you thanks because you have made us worthy to share in the inheritance of the

saints in light, having rescued us from the power of darkness, and brought us safe into the kingdom of your beloved Son,

In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins.

Lord God, Son, the Savior of the world, though you were in the form of God, you did not consider equality with God something to cling to, but emptied yourself, taking the form of a servant, being born in human likeness. You humbled yourself and became obedient to death, even death on a cross.

Your love compels us to live not for ourselves, but for you.

We give you thanks because you, our merciful and faithful High Priest, have made reconciliation for the sins of the people. You were despised and rejected, a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief. You were wounded for our transgressions; you were bruised for our iniquities.

Upon you fell the punishment that made us whole; and by your wounds we are healed.

Hymn *“Lord Who Throughout These Forty Days”* #341

*As you did hunger and did thirst,
so teach us, gracious Lord,
to die to self, and so to live
by your most holy word.*

*And through these days of penitence,
and through your Passion-tide,
for evermore, in life and death,
O Lord! with us abide.*

*Abide with us, that through this life
of doubts and hope and pain,
an Easter of unending joy
we may at last attain!*

Scripture Reading

2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10

Prayer

Hymn

"What Wondrous Love Is This"

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*What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul?*

*To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing,
to God and to the Lamb, I will sing!
To God and to the Lamb, who is the great "I Am,"
while millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing;
while millions join the theme, I will sing!*

*And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
and when from death I'm free, I'll sing on!
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing God's love for me,
and through eternity, I'll sing on, I'll sing on;
and through eternity I'll sing on!*

Scripture Reading

Matthew 6:1-6; 16-21

Meditation

Scripture Reading

Psalm 51:1-17

Imposition of Ashes

Ashes are a reminder of our own mortality, our limitations, our vulnerability. In remembering that we will die, we are invited to remember the precious gift that life is.

As you feel ready, please come forward and receive the ashes and remember that we come from dust and to dust we shall return.

Responsive Prayer

Fulfill in us your prayer that all who love you may be one, as you are in the Father, and the Father in you.

Hear us and help us, gracious Savior.

You have made God known to us as Father, so that the love with which he has loved you may be in us.

And you in us.

Christ, and him crucified,

Remain our confession of faith.

Throughout this Lenten journey, let us keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

We thank you, Lord, Jesus, not only for the privilege of believing in you, but of suffering for you as well, so that we may be glorified with you.

We are filled with the grace, mercy, and peace of God.

We are filled with the love of Jesus Christ. We give thanks that we are blessed, and we commit ourselves to be a blessing to others. Amen.

Hymn

“Jesus, Source of My Salvation”

*Jesus, source of my salvation,
conqueror both of death and hell,
Thou who didst as my oblation,
feel what I deserved to feel,
Through thy sufferings, death, and merit,
I eternal life inherit;
Thousand, thousand, thanks to thee,
dearest Lord, forever be.*

*Lord, thy deep humiliation
has atoned for all my pride;
I need fear no condemnation,
since for sinners thou hast died.
Thou becam'st a curse, dear Savior,
to restore me to God's favor.
Thousand, thousand, thanks to thee,
dearest Lord, forever be.*

*Lord, I'll praise thee now and ever,
who for me was crucified;
For thy agony dear Savior,
for thy wounds and pierced side,
For thy love, so tried, unending,
for thy death, all deaths transcending.
For thy death and love divine,
Lord, I'll be forever thine.*

Benediction

Please be seated and use this time to listen to the Postlude and reflect upon how God is calling you to live, to love, and to serve in the week to come.

Postlude

"Forty Days and Forty Nights"

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