

Good Friday Evening Worship
At The Westminster Presbyterian Church

April 2, AD 2021

7:00 Evening Worship

Prelude
Welcome and Announcements

OUR PREPARATION

Silent Prayer Upon Entering the Sanctuary

Almighty and Everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers, which we offer before You for all estates of men in Your holy Church; that all the members of the same, drawing near to You with a true heart and in full assurance of faith, having their souls and bodies purified from all uncleanness, may hold fast the profession of their faith without wavering; and in their vocation and ministry truly and with godliness serve You, through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE ADORATION OF GOD

* The Call to Worship

Psalm 98

Minister: Oh, sing to the Lord a new song! For He has done marvelous things;

All: His right hand and His holy arm have gained Him the victory.

Minister: The Lord has made known His salvation; His righteousness He has revealed in the sight of the nations.

All: He has remembered His mercy and His faithfulness to the house of Israel; All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

Minister: Let us worship God!

* Invocation and Prayer of Adoration

* Hymn #172: *Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder* All Saints Old

Let us love and sing and wonder, let us praise the Savior's name!

*He has hushed the law's loud thunder, he has quenched Mount Sinai's flame:
he has washed us with his blood, he has brought us nigh to God.*

*Let us love the Lord who bought us, pitied us when enemies,
called us by his grace and taught us, gave us ears and gave us eyes:
he has washed us with his blood, he presents our souls to God.*

*Let us sing, though fierce temptation threaten hard to bear us down!
For the Lord, our strong salvation, holds in view the conqu'ror's crown: he who
washed us with his blood soon will bring us home to God.*

*Let us wonder; grace and justice join and point to mercy's store;
when thro' grace in Christ our trust is, justice smiles and asks no more:
he who washed us with his blood has secured our way to God.*

*Let us praise, and join the chorus of the saints enthroned on high;
here they trusted him before us, now their praises fill the sky:
"You have washed us with your blood; you are worthy, Lamb of God!"*

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Confession of Sin

Psalm 51

Minister: Have mercy upon me, O God, according to Your lovingkindness;

According to the multitude of Your tender mercies, blot out my transgressions.

All: Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. For I acknowledge my transgressions, and my sin is always before me. Against You, You only, have I sinned, and done this evil in Your sight-That You may be found just when You speak, and blameless when You judge. Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sin my mother conceived me. Behold, You desire truth in the inward parts, and in the hidden part You will make me to know wisdom. Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; Wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Make me hear joy and gladness, that the bones You have broken may rejoice. Hide Your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities.

Assurance of Pardon

I John 1:9

Minister: If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

All: Amen.

* Hymn #254:

Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed

Martyrdom

*Alas! and did my Savior bleed, and did my Sovereign die!
Would he devote that sacred head for such a worm as I!*

*Was it for crimes that I had done he groaned upon the tree!
Amazing pity! Grace unknown! And love beyond degree!*

*Well might the sun in darkness hide, and shut his glories in,
when Christ, the mighty Maker, died for man the creature's sin.*

*Thus might I hide my blushing face while his dear cross appears;
dissolve my heart in thankfulness, and melt mine eyes in tears.*

*But drops of grief can ne'er repay the debt of love I owe;
here, Lord, I give myself away, 'tis all that I can do.*

THE MEANS OF GRACE

Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Reiber

* Confession of Faith

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary, and was made man, and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is

worshipped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Offertory Prayer

Pastor Reiber

*The Doxology

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*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him,
all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heav'ly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Scripture:

Matthew 27:32-66; Romans 3:21-26

Sermon: *Propitiation by His Blood*

* Hymn #246:

Man of Sorrows! What a Name (v. 1-3)

What a Savior!

*Man of Sorrows! what a name for the Son of God, who came
ruined sinners to reclaim: Hallelujah! what a Savior!*

*Bearing shame and scoffing rude, in my place condemned he stood,
sealed my pardon with his blood: Hallelujah! what a Savior!*

*Guilty, vile, and helpless, we; spotless Lamb of God was he;
full atonement! can it be? Hallelujah! what a Savior!*

The Lord's Supper

* Hymn #246:

Man of Sorrows! What a Name (v. 4,5)

What a Savior!

*Lifted up was he to die, "It is finished!" was his cry:
now in heav'n exalted high: Hallelujah! what a Savior!*

*When he comes, our glorious King, all his ransomed home to bring,
then anew this song we'll sing: Hallelujah! what a Savior!*

* Benediction

Postlude

* Congregation standing

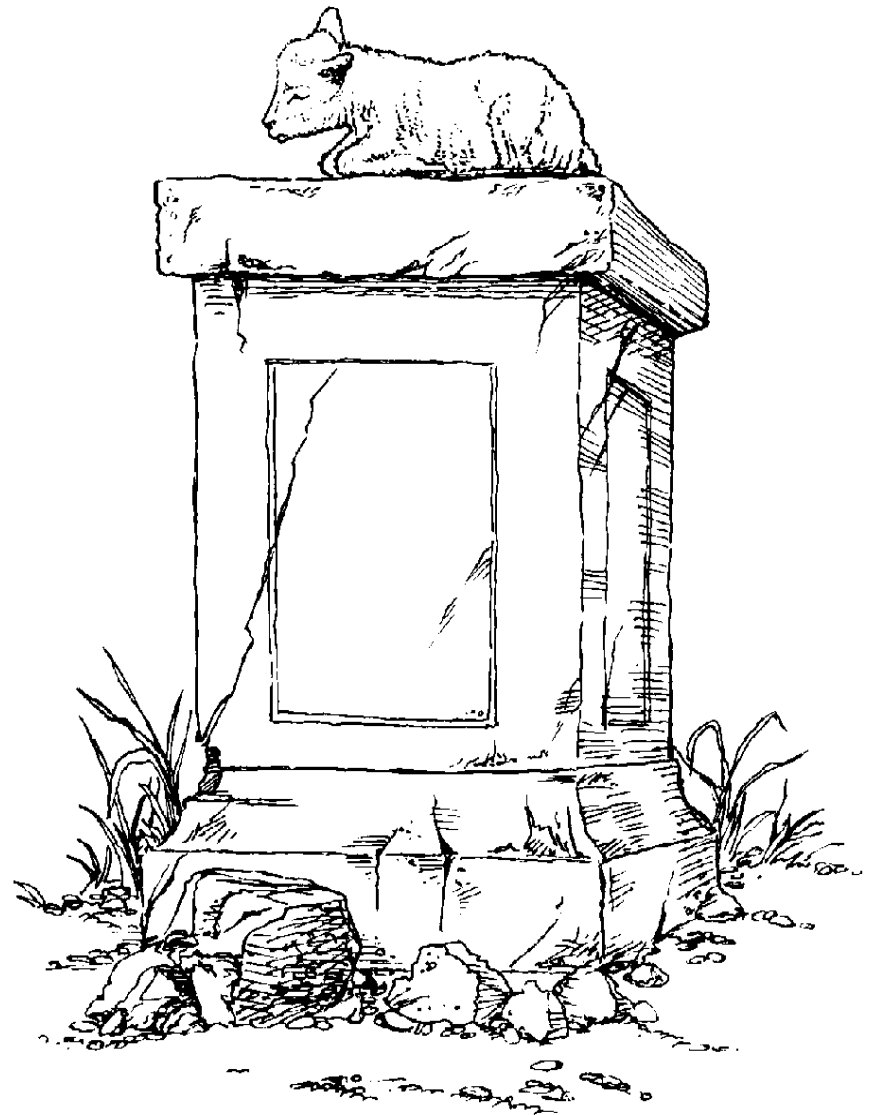
Evening Worship Sermon Outline

Text: Matthew 27:32-66; Romans 3:21-26

Title: Propitiation by His Blood

Introduction

- I. Why the cross of Christ? That He might be lifted up.
- II. Why the cross of Christ? That He was made to be sin for us by a judicial declaration.
- III. Why the cross of Christ? That He should die the sacrificial death of atoning propitiation.
 - A. What *propitiation by His blood* does NOT mean
 - B. What *propitiation by His blood* does mean
- IV. We Believe, Glory, are Preserved, Proclaim Christ Crucified



He was oppressed, and he was afflicted,
yet he opened not his mouth;
like a lamb that is led to the slaughter ...

Isaiah 53:7