FATHER, FORGIVE THEM!

2009 Midweek Lenten Worship

Opening Sentences



Opening Hymn

STAND

M: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: who made heaven and earth.

M: Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for self-examination

M: Almighty God, our heavenly Father,

C: we have sinned against you in our thoughts, in our words, in our deeds, and in all that we have not done. Forgive us in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Deliver and restore us, that we may rest in peace.

- M: By the mercy of God we are redeemed by Jesus Christ, and in him we are forgiven. Let us rest in his peace all our days
 - and serve him in the newness of life.

C: Amen.

BE SEATED

Special Music

Psalm of the Day

Psalm Prayer

- M: ... through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C: Amen.

Passion History according to Mark

Seasonal Response

All: All we like sheep have gone astray, and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. By his wounds we are healed.

Sermon Hymn Christ, By Countless Foes Surrounded

Sermon

Hymn 715

Offering

STAND

Prayers

Lord's Prayer

Prayer for Peace

M: Lord God, all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works come from you. Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments. Defend us also from the fear of our enemies that we may live in peace and quietness, through the merits of Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Blessing

M: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: Amen.

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Closing Hymn

	2008 Midweek Lenten Worship
March 4	Forgive Our Desire to Defy Your Divine Authority!
March 11	Forgive Us When We Despise Your Great Salvation!
March 18	Forgive Us When We Abandon Your Truths!
March 25	Forgive Us for Despising Our Savior's Claim!
April 1	Forgive Our Misplaced Sorrow!
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Soup and sandwich meals will be served in the basement after the 11:00 a.m. service and an hour before the 7:30 p.m. service. Please join us!

Please return this service folder and the inserts to an usher as you leave. Thank you!

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Passion History according to Mark

5. Calvary

Pastor: The soldiers led Jesus away into the palace (that is, the Praetorium) and called together the whole company of soldiers. They put a purple robe on him, then twisted together a crown of thorns and set it on him. And they began to call out to him,

Congregation: "Hail, king of the Jews!"

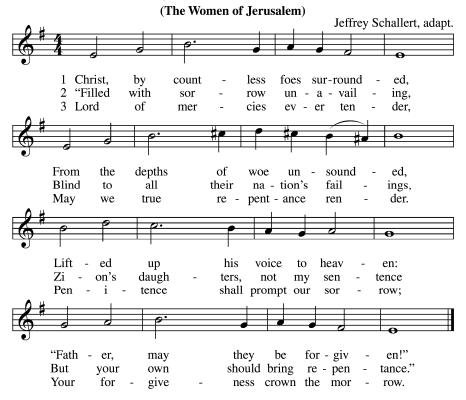
- **Pastor:** Again and again they struck him on the head with a staff and spit on him. Falling on their knees, they paid homage to him. And when they had mocked him, they took off the purple robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him out to crucify him.
- **Men:** A certain man from Cyrene, Simon, the father of Alexander and Rufus, was passing by on his way in from the country, and they forced him to carry the cross.
- **Women:** They brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha (which means The Place of the Skull).
- **Pastor:** Then they offered him wine mixed with myrrh, but he did not take it. And they crucified him. Dividing up his clothes, they cast lots to see what each would get. It was the third hour when they crucified him.
- **Congregation:** The written notice of the charge against him read: THE KING OF THE JEWS.
- **Pastor:** They crucified two robbers with him, one on his right and one on his left. Those who passed by hurled insults at him, shaking their heads and saying,
- **Men:** "So! You who are going to destroy the temple and build it in three days, come down from the cross and save yourself!"
- **Pastor:** In the same way the chief priests and the teachers of the law mocked him among themselves.
- Women: "He saved others," they said, "but he can't save himself! Let this Christ, this King of Israel, come down now from the cross, that we may see and believe."
- **Pastor:** Those crucified with him also heaped insults on him. At the sixth hour darkness came over the whole land until the ninth hour. 34 And at the ninth hour Jesus cried out in a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?"--which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" When some of those standing near heard this, they said,

Congregation: "Listen, he's calling Elijah."

Pastor: One man ran, filled a sponge with wine vinegar, put it on a stick, and offered it to Jesus to drink. "Now leave him alone. Let's see if Elijah comes to take him down," he said. With a loud cry, Jesus breathed his last. The curtain of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom. And when the centurion, who stood there in front of Jesus, heard his cry and saw how he died, he said, "Surely this man was the Son of God!"

Seasonal Response

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