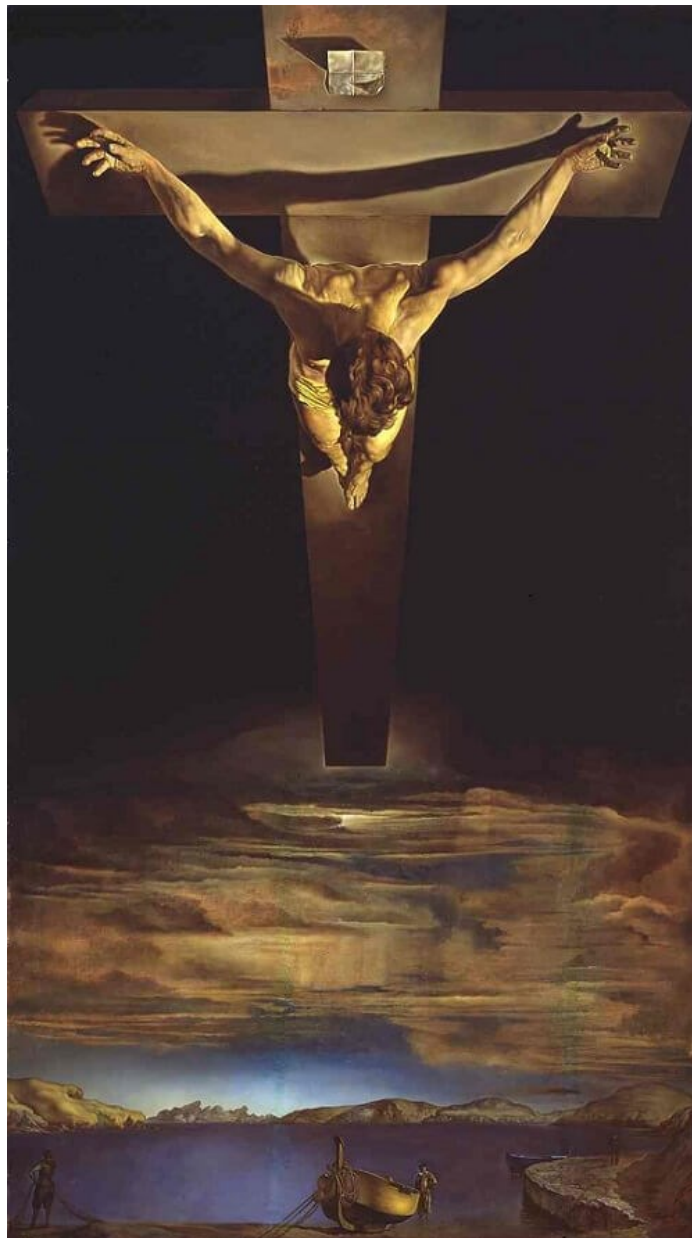

BAYSHORE BAPTIST CHURCH

Friday, March 29, 2024

Good Friday



"Christ of Saint John of the Cross" Salvador Dali (1951)



WELCOME TO BAYSHORE

Please hold your applause in this service.

Prelude

Doug Brickett

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Welcome & Collect

Rev. Dr. Scott Stearman

Almighty God, we pray you graciously to behold this your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, and given into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death upon the cross; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Scripture Reading

Rev. Dr. Scott Stearman

Luke 23:26-33 p. 1046

† Hymn 150

Congregation

Go to Dark Gethsemane

1. Jesus Prays for Others

Michael Costa

Luke 23:34 p. 1046

Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing."

Meditation

Imagine a man, nailed to an execution instrument. As the executioner are working to bring about his death, the man prays for their forgiveness - the dying man knows the executioners only know what they are told. They know not what they are doing. Only God knows.

Solo

"The Old Rugged Cross"

2. Jesus Speaks to Others on the Cross

Julie Webb

Luke 23:43 p. 1046

"I tell you the truth, today you will be with me in paradise."

Meditation

Jesus reminds us, as he reminded those surrounding him: death does not have the last word. Darkness is overcome by light. Evil by good. Death by life. This is true of the savior of the world, and of a common criminal.

† Hymn 146

Congregation

"O How He Loves You and Me"

3. Jesus Cares for his Mother and a Young Disciple

Rev. Sara Hunt-Felke

John 19:26-27 p. 1073

When Jesus saw his mother there, and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to his mother, "Dear woman, here is your son," and to the disciple, "Here is your mother."

Meditation

In his teachings Jesus criticized some religious leaders who taught the tithe but who neglected their own parents. Jesus, here, in presence of pain, grief, and the forethought of his absence, asks the disciple he loves to care for his Mother and his Mother to care for the young disciple. They would stay with each other for decades. It is a relationship that would shape human history.

Anthem

Chancel Choir

"When I Survey the Wonderful Cross"
(arr. Gilbert Martin)

4. Jesus Cries Out To the Father

Judy Richman

Matthew 27:46 p. 988

"And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, "Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?" that is, "My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?"

Meditation

The Israelites in the wilderness wondered: "is God among us, or not?" Jesus, who had prayed that God's will be done, was abandoned by the God to whom he prayed. Many of us know abandonment. Some of us have felt abandoned by God. All of us can be consoled by knowing we are not alone.

Anthem

Chancel Choir

"Thy Will Be Done" (Courtney)

5. Jesus Is Thirsty

Julie Webb

John 19:28 p. 1073

Jesus knew that everything was now finished, and to fulfill the Scriptures he said, "I am thirsty."

Meditation

I doubt that anyone can understand the thirst that would accompany a crucifixion, but all of us have thirsted for one more moment, one more day. Jesus encountered all of that human thirst.

† Hymn 143

Congregation

"What Wondrous Love Is This"

6. It Is Finished

Rev. Victor Chesmore

John 19:30 p. 1073

... he said, "It is finished!"

Meditation

The enslaved peoples in America knew injustice, oppression, and this kind of state sponsored killing. They understood why it matters if you see it. This question of the old African American spiritual is the question of this very service. "Were we there?" This means have we seen with the eyes of the heart what they did to Jesus. Have we stood at the foot of the cross and looked up?

Duet

Julie Webb and Rob Wilson

"Were You There"

7. Jesus Last Words

Rob Wilson

Luke 23:46 p. 1046

Jesus called out with a loud voice, "Father, into your hands I commit my spirit." When he had said this, he breathed his last.

Silent Meditation

Solo

Rev. Victor Chesmore

"Heilig, Heilig, Heilig" (F. Schubert)

Holy, holy, holy, Holy is the Lord!
Holy, holy, holy, Holy is our God!

He who always liveth,
Evermore the same
Heav'n and earth He ruleth,
Come and praise His name!

Holy, holy, holy, Holy is the Lord!
Holy, holy, holy, Holy is our God!

Glorious and beloved is the One adored!

Holy, holy, holy, Holy is the Lord!
Holy, holy, holy, Holy is our God!

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Benediction

Rev. Dr. Scott Stearman

Silent Recessional