

# FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

166 Years a People  
146 Years In this Home



Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m.

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Good Friday  
Friday, March 29, 2024

Morning Worship

10:30 a.m.

♪ we stand to sing

Prelude: O Mensch, beweine deine Sünde groß, BWV 622 ..... Johann Sebastian Bach  
"O people, weep for thy great sin"

Call to Worship: from Isaiah 53:4-6

♪ Hymn: My song is love unknown ..... 220

Introduction to the Passion Pilgrimage

The First Station

from The Passion Narrative: John 18:1-14  
Jesus is arrested in Gethsemane

Reader: Lynn Holmes

Silent Reflection

Prayers of Lament from Psalm 22:1-10

Reader: Ema Prince

Leader: My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

Congregation: I have cried desperately for help, but still it does not come.

L: During the day I call to you, my God, but you do not answer;

C: I call at night, but get no rest.

L: you are enthroned as the Holy One, the one whom Israel praises.

C: our ancestors put their trust in you; they trusted you, and you saved them.

L: They called to you and escaped from danger;

C: they trusted you and were not disappointed.

L: I am no longer a human being; I am a worm, despised and scorned by everyone!

C: All who see me make fun of me; they stick out their tongues and shake their heads.

L: It was you who brought me safely through birth,  
and when I was a baby, you kept me safe.

C: I have relied on you since the day I was born, and you have always been my God.

The Second Station

from The Passion Narrative: John 18:15-27

Reader: Carrie Rivoire

Jesus is taken before the high priest; Peter denies knowing Jesus.

Silent Reflection

Prayers for the Church

♪ Hymn: Beneath the cross of Jesus (St. Christopher) ..... 238

### The Third Station

from The Passion Narrative: John 18:28-40  
Jesus before Pilate.

Reader: Elizabeth Donaholu

Silent Reflection

Prayers for the Kingdom of God

♪ Hymn: When I survey the wondrous cross (Rockingham) . . . . . 231

### The Fourth Station

from The Passion Narrative: John 19:1-12  
The call to crucify Jesus.

Reader: Doug George

Silent Reflection

Prayers for Justice

♪ Hymn: What wondrous love is this . . . . . 242

### The Fifth Station

from The Passion Narrative John 19:13-16a  
Pilate sentences Jesus to death by crucifixion.

Reader: Benia Semujanga

Music for Reflection

Prayers of Confession

Assurance of God's Mercy

### The Sixth Station

Anthem: Pilgrim's Hymn . . . . . Stephen Paulus  
Even before we call on your name to ask you, O God, when we seek for the words to glorify you, you hear our prayer. Unceasing love, O unceasing love, surpassing all we know. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Even with darkness sealing us in, we breathe your name, and through all the days that follow so fast, we trust in you. Endless your grace, O endless your grace, beyond all mortal dream. Both now and forever, and unto ages and ages, Amen.

from The Passion Narrative: John 19:16b-27  
The act of crucifixion.

Reader: Kristi Velthuisen

Prayers for Deliverance: from Psalm 22:10-19

Reader: Ema Prince

Leader: Do not stay away from me!

Congregation: Trouble is near, and there is no one to help.

L: Many enemies surround me; they are all around me,

C: They open their mouths like lions, roaring and tearing at me.

L: My strength is gone, gone like water spilled on the ground.

C: All my bones are out of joint; my heart is like melted wax.

My throat is as dry as dust, and my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth.

L: You have left me for dead in the dust.

C: An evil gang is around me;

like a pack of dogs they close in on me; they tear at my hands and feet.

L: All my bones can be seen.

C: My enemies look at me and stare.

L: They gamble for my clothes, and divide my garments among themselves.

C: O Lord, don't stay away from me! Come quickly to my rescue!

♪ Hymn: O sacred head, sore wounded (Herlich tut Mich Verlangen). . . . . 239

### The Seventh Station

from The Passion Narrative: John 19:28-30

Reader: Rob Campbell

The death of Jesus.

Extinguishing the Christ Candle

Departure in Silence