



KNOX CHURCH, DUNEDIN

Good Friday

10am – Friday 10 April 2020

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After a brief pre-service segment, the service will start shortly after 10am.

Call to worship

Kia noho a Ihowa ki a koutou. May God be with you. Then words from ...

Hymn

(Love unknown) CH4 399 - Samuel Crossman

1 My song is love unknown,
my Saviour's love to me,
love to the loveless shown, that they might
lovely be.

Oh, who am I, that for my sake
my Lord should take frail flesh, and die?

2 He came from his blest throne,
salvation to bestow:
but people scorned, and none the
longed-for Christ would know.
But O my Friend, my Friend indeed,
who at my need his life did spend.

3 Sometimes they strew his way,
and his sweet praises sing;
resounding all the day hosannas to
their King.
Then 'Crucify!' is all their breath,
and for his death they thirst and cry.

4 Here might I stay and sing:
no story so divine;
never was love, dear King, never was
grief like thine!
This is my Friend, in whose sweet praise
I all my days could gladly spend.

Prayer

Assurance of forgiveness and the sharing of peace

E te whanau, know that because of what God has done in Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Kia tau tonu te rangimarie o te Ariki ki a koutou. The peace of Christ be with us all.

Readings – read by Jill Rutherford

Isaiah 53:2-6

²For he grew up before him like a young plant, and like a root out of dry ground; he had no form or majesty that we should look at him, nothing in his appearance that we should desire him. ³He was despised and rejected by others; a man of suffering and acquainted with

infirmity; and as one from whom others hide their faces he was despised, and we held him of no account. ⁴Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted. ⁵But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed. ⁶All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

John 19:16b-18, 25b-30, 38-40

¹⁶Then he handed him over to them to be crucified. So they took Jesus; ¹⁷and carrying the cross by himself, he went out to what is called The Place of the Skull, which in Hebrew is called Golgotha. ¹⁸There they crucified him, and with him two others, one on either side, with Jesus between them.

²⁵And that is what the soldiers did. Meanwhile, standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. ²⁶When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, 'Woman, here is your son.' ²⁷Then he said to the disciple, 'Here is your mother.' And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

²⁸After this, when Jesus knew that all was now finished, he said (in order to fulfil the scripture), 'I am thirsty.' ²⁹A jar full of sour wine was standing there. So they put a sponge full of the wine on a branch of hyssop and held it to his mouth. ³⁰When Jesus had received the wine, he said, 'It is finished.' Then he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

³⁸After these things, Joseph of Arimathea, who was a disciple of Jesus, though a secret one because of his fear of the Jews, asked Pilate to let him take away the body of Jesus. Pilate gave him permission; so he came and removed his body. ³⁹Nicodemus, who had at first come to Jesus by night, also came, bringing a mixture of myrrh and aloes, weighing about a hundred pounds. ⁴⁰They took the body of Jesus and wrapped it with the spices in linen cloths, according to the burial custom of the Jews.

Anthem

Reflection *"Isolation and connection"*

Prayer for others and the Lord's Prayer – led by Warren Jowett

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Hymn

1 Were you there when they crucified my
Lord?

Were you there when they crucified my
Lord?

Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble,
tremble, tremble.

Were you there when they crucified my
Lord?

2 Were you there when they nailed him to
the tree?

Were you there when they nailed him to
the tree?

Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble,
tremble, tremble.

Were you there when they nailed him to
the tree?

Blessing

(Were you there) CH4 403 - African-American spiritual

3 Were you there when they pierced him
in the side?

Were you there when they pierced him in
the side?

Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble,
tremble, tremble.

Were you there when they pierced him in
the side?

4 Were you there when they laid him in
the tomb?

Were you there when they laid him in the
tomb?

Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble,
tremble, tremble.

Were you there when they laid him in the
tomb?

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