Good Friday Service

Bethany Mennonite Church

Friday, March 29, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.

Call to Worship and Prayer Pastor Herb Sawatzky

Songs – “O Lamb of God”

*This Good Friday morning, our scripture readings are taken from the Gospel of John.*

Readings:

Jesus Clears the Temple Courts, John 2:13-21

Jesus Teaches Nicodemus, John 3: 1-17

Song: “How Deep the Father’s Love for Us”

Readings:

Jesus Prays

Jesus is Arrested

Song: “Go to Dark Gethsemane” vs 1 #240

Readings:

Jesus brought before Pilate

Pilate hands Jesus over to be crucified

Song: “Go to Dark Gethsemane” vs 2 #240

Readings: Jesus is crucified and dies

Song: “Go to Dark Gethsemane” vs 3 #240

Reading:

Jesus’ side is pierced

Moment of silent reflection

Reading:

Jesus is laid in the tomb

Song: “Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?”

Dramatic Presentation:

A conversation between Nicodemus and a Sadducee

*A fictional conversation that takes place between a Sadducee and a Pharisee named Nicodemus after the crucifixion and burial of Jesus, but before his resurrection. At this time many of the disciples are afraid and are in hiding. The Bible doesn’t actually say if Nicodemus believed that Jesus was the Messiah, but it does show that he was a supporter of Jesus while he lived.*

Song: “My Jesus I Love Thee” #522

Communion Service

Closing song: “Christ We Do All Adore Thee” #105

Benediction

Recessional

*Please leave the sanctuary in silent reflection, remembering Jesus’ deep love for us.*

Scripture Readers: Michael Frena and Patty King

Nicodemus: Kenton Janzen

Sadducee: Ted Wiens

Dramatic Effects: Ashley Elliott, Rachel Frena, Denise Horne

Communion Servers: Ashley Elliott, Tracey Frena, Denise Horne, Aleah Sawatzky

*Special thanks to our Music and Tech Teams for their contributions to this morning’s service.*