

INTERFAITH COMMUNITY SERVICE

GOOD FRIDAY

April 3, 2026

12:00 p.m.



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GATHERING

PRELUDE *Herzlich thut mich verlangen* Rheinberger John Ervin

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Isaiah 54:4, I Peter 2:24

Leader: Surely, he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows;

People: yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted.

Leader: Christ bore our sins in his body on the cross,

People: that we might die to sin, and live for righteousness.

OPENING PRAYER

**Almighty God,
look with mercy on your family
for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed
and to be given over to the hands of sinners
and to suffer death on the cross;
who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, forever and ever. Amen.**

*OPENING HYMN #98 *O Sacred Head, Now Wounded*

PASSION CHORALE

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**Holy One, our strength in suffering and our hope for salvation,
lift up your Word of life and pour out your Spirit of grace
so that we may follow faithfully all the way to the Cross;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

A musical response for silent, personal reflection and confession

*All who are able, please stand.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 52:13-53:12

*SUNG PSALM

Psalm 22

DISTRESS

JESUS CHRIST: PASSION AND DEATH

210 Lord, Why Have You Forsaken Me (Psalm 22)

1 Lord, why have you for - sak - en me, and
2 Yet you are ho - ly, and the songs of
3 But I am mocked and put to scorn. All
4 Yet you, O Lord, have been my God and
why are you so far a - way from my com - plaint and
praise of Is - rael are your throne; when our an - ces - tors
those who see me laugh and say, "You trust in God, so
on - ly hope since I was born. With trou - ble near me,
my dis - tress poured out be - fore you night and day?
called on you, you saved them, res - cued all your own.
let us see the help of God to whom you pray."
none can help. My Sav - ior, leave me not for - lorn.

Although Psalm 22 paraphrased here begins in despair keen enough to be repeated on the lips of a dying Jesus (Matthew 27:46/Mark 15:34), it is replete with a faith that withstands even the mockery of disbelievers. The spareness of the shape-note tune fits the text well.

TEXT: Christopher L. Webber, 1986, alt.
MUSIC: Walker's *Southern Harmony*, 1835
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DISTRESS
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***All who are able, please stand.**

SECOND READING Luke 23:33-49

MEDITATION Father, Forgive Them

The Rev. James L. Reisner

*HYMN #93 *Ah, Holy Jesus*

HERZLIEBSTER JESU

THE SOLEMN INTERCESSION

The prayer is a series of petitions ending in:

Leader: We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER (recite in the language of your tradition.)

SPECIAL MUSIC *No Condemnation*

by Daniel Barta

Douglas Ballard, Bass; Matt Knecht, Piano

SOLEMN REPROACHES OF THE CROSS

Response:

Leader: ...you have made a cross for your Savior.

People: **Holy God,**

Holy and mighty,

Holy Immortal One,

have mercy upon us.

*HYMN #101

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

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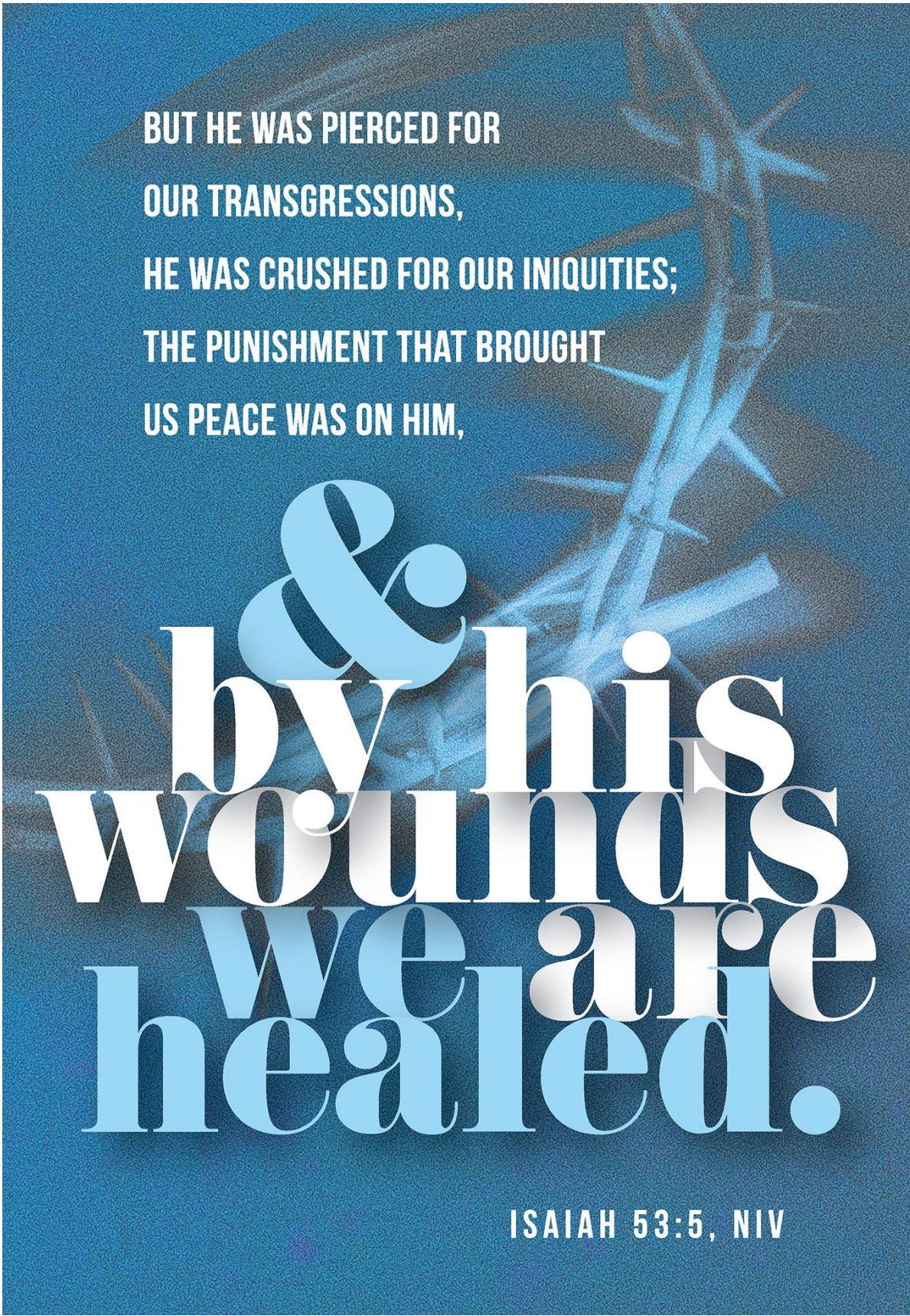
THE SENDING

1 Corinthians 6:19-20

Leader: Remember, you are not your own; you were bought at a price.

(The congregation departs the sanctuary in silence.)

*All who are able, please stand.



BUT HE WAS PIERCED FOR
OUR TRANSGRESSIONS,
HE WAS CRUSHED FOR OUR INIQUITIES;
THE PUNISHMENT THAT BROUGHT
US PEACE WAS ON HIM,

&
by his
wounds
we are
healed.

ISAIAH 53:5, NIV

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