Stephenville Christian Reformed Church



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1120 CR 351 Stephenville, Tx.



Join us this Sunday, March 31st for our Easter service at 10:30 AM followed by an Easter egg hunt for the kids.



Pastor Greg Dyk March 29, 2024

Good Friday Service

Prelude

Call to Worship

*Song - "O Jesus, We Adore You" PH 472 (1, 2)

*God's Greeting

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture - Mark 14:21-39

Message - "Jesus - The Son of God"

*Song - "O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts" LUYH 823 (1, 3)

We Receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion

Offering: General Fund

Song - "Were You There?" LUYH 166 (1-3)

A Service of Shadows and Stones

Gathering Words - based on Lamentations 1:12

All who pass this way

Look to see the shadow of sin.

All who pass this way

Look to see the weight of the world.

All who pass this way

Look to see the suffering Savior.

All who pass this way

Look to see the sorrow of Jesus Christ.

Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.

*Song - "Beneath the Cross of Jesus" LUYH 167 (1, 2) (each person may come forward, take a stone, and hold it in their hand)

The Stone of Condemnation: Luke 23:22-25, 32-34

Prayer - Forgiving Christ, when the world condemns us, when wrongs are done to us, when we the weight of things that seem to great for us to forgive, come alongside us in the darkness and give us the grace that we need, that only you can give, to be forgiven and to forgive. Amen.

Song - "Man of Sorrows - What a Name" LUYH 170 (1-3)

The Stone of Separation: Luke 23:35-43

Prayer - Reconciling Jesus, we are weighed down by sin and separation, a world that is not at peace, a people who are not whole. You reached out to the thief; you welcomed him to God's side. Come along with us in the darkness and bring grace and peace to everything that is broken. Amen

Song - "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" LUYH 175 (1, 3)

The Stone of Sorrow: John 19:25-27

Prayer - Living Jesus, we carry the weight of the people we love. We are concerned for our sorrows and sufferings. Our care for them is deep, and sometimes there is not much we can do. Come alongside us in the darkness and cradle the ones we love in your strong arms. Amen

Song - "Ah! Holy Jesus, How Have You Offended" LUYH 172 (1, 3)

The Stone of Despair: Mark 15:33-34

Prayer - Lord Jesus, you know what it is to feel that God is far away. You know what it is to call out for God's presence to be near. Come alongside us in the darkness and help us as we call out to God. Amen.

Song - "Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed" LUYH 173 (1, 3)

The Stone of Suffering: John 19:28-30

Prayer - Suffering Savior, in all our thirst, in all our sickness, in all our longing, in all our pain, you are there. Come alongside us in the darkness and walk with us through all our suffering. Amen.

Song - "O, Sacred Head, Now Wounded "LUYH 168 (1, 2)

The Stone of Death: Luke 23:44-49

Prayer - Dearest Jesus, even in death you are with us. When we mourn, when we are afraid, when we come to our own end, you have been there too. Come alongside us in the darkness and carry us through death into life. Amen

*STAND in SILENCE

Piano will play - "What Wondrous Love" LUYH 164

*God's Blessing

* Song - "The Old Rugged Cross" (1, 3, 4)