

**GILBERT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE OF READINGS, HYMNS AND PRAYER
MARCH 29, 2024**

WELCOME

PRELUDE LIGHTING OF THE SEVEN CANDLES

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Blessed Be The Name Of The Lord Our God.
All: Who Redeems Us From Sin And Death.
Leader: For Us And For Our Salvation, Christ Became Obedient Unto Death,
Even Death On A Cross.
All: Blessed Be The Name Of Our Lord.

OPENING HYMN *Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us With Your Love* Hymn 203

FIRST READING 1 Corinthians 1:17-29 Mary Ann Wilkie
PRAYER
EXTINGUISH THE FIRST CANDLE

Silent Prayer

SECOND READING 2 Corinthians 5:14-21 Dave Peterson
PRAYER
EXTINGUISH THE SECOND CANDLE

Silent Prayer

THIRD READING Colossians 2:9-15 Carole Blake
EXTINGUISH THE THIRD CANDLE

HYMN *Ah Holy Jesus* Hymn 218

FOURTH READING Philippians 2:1-11 Pam Russell
PRAYER
EXTINGUISH THE FOURTH CANDLE

Silent Prayer

FIFTH READING Hebrews 10:16-25 Judy Sullivan
PRAYER
EXTINGUISH THE FIFTH CANDLE

Silent Prayer

**SIXTH READING
EXTINGUISH THE SIXTH CANDLE**

Isaiah 53:1-12

Greg Smith

HYMN

Go to Dark Gethsemane

Hymn 220

PRAYER

Leader: O My People, O My Church. What More Could I Have Done for You? Answer Me!
I Was Hungry and You Gave Me No Food,
Thirsty And You Gave Me No Drink,
A Stranger and You Did Not Welcome Me,
Naked And You Did Not Clothe Me,
Sick And in Prison and You Did Not Visit Me,
And You Have Made a Cross For Your Savior.

**All: Holy God,
Holy And Mighty,
Holy Immortal One,
Have Mercy On Us.**

EXTINGUISH THE SEVENTH CANDLE

DEPART IN SILENCE

Thank you to all our participants this evening.

203 Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love

Refrain Capo 3: (D) (A7)

F C7

Je - su, Je - su, fill us with your love; show

(D) (D/F#) (Em7) (A7) (D)

F F/A Gm7 C7 F *Fine*

us how to serve the neigh-bors we have from you.

(D) (Bm) (Em) (A)

F Dm Gm C

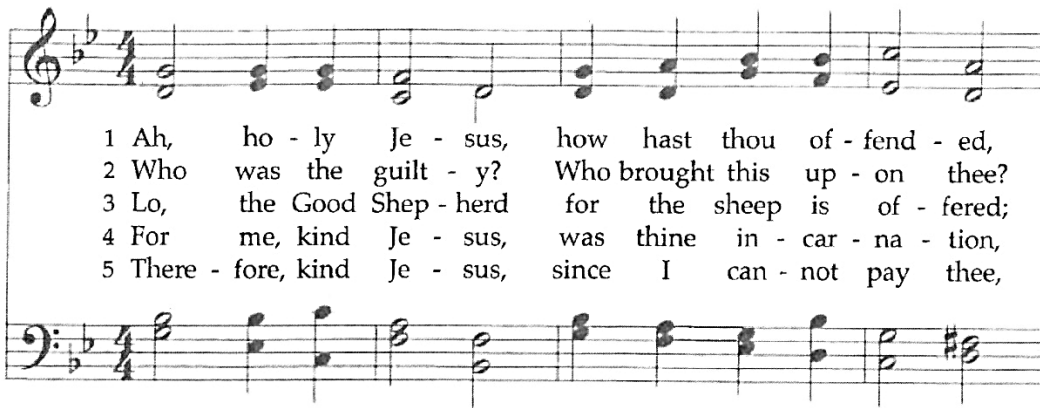
1 Kneels at the feet of his friends, si - lent - ly wash - es their
 2 Neigh-bors are wealth-y and poor, var - ied in col - or and
 3 These are the ones we should serve; these are the ones we should
 4 Lov - ing puts us on our knees, will - ing to wash oth - ers'

(D) (Bm) (Em7) (A7) (D)

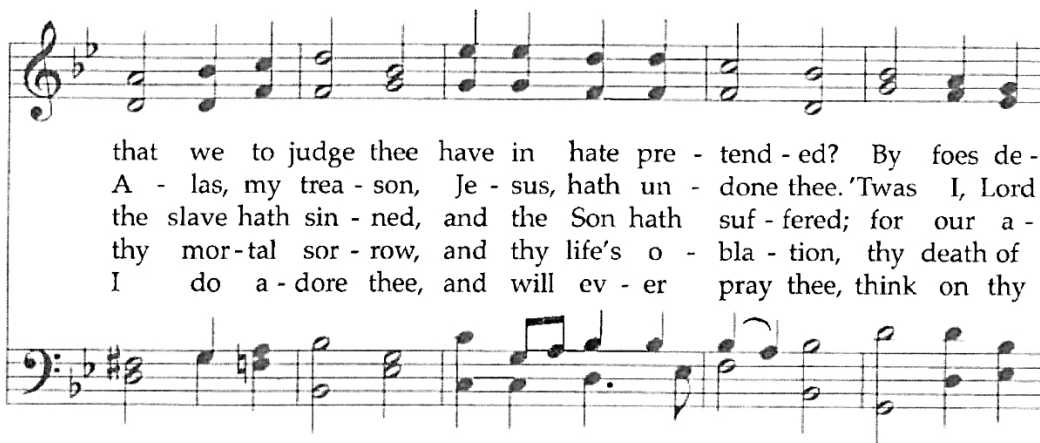
F Dm Gm7 C7 F *to Refrain*

feet, Mas - ter who acts as a slave to them.
 race; neigh-bors are near us and far a - way.
 love; all these are neigh-bors to us and you.
 feet; this is the way we should live like you.

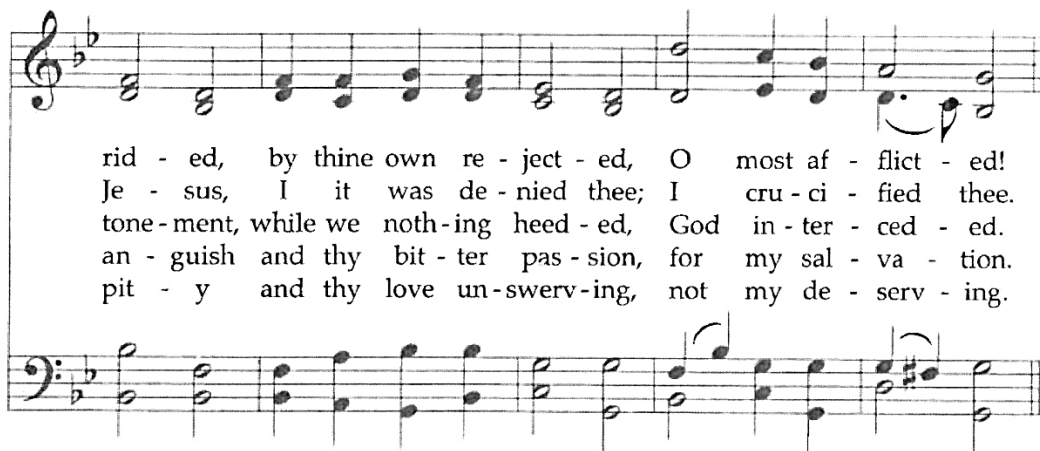
Ah, Holy Jesus



1 Ah, ho - ly Je - sus, how hast thou of - fend - ed,
 2 Who was the guilt - y? Who brought this up - on thee?
 3 Lo, the Good Shep - herd for the sheep is of - fered;
 4 For me, kind Je - sus, was thine in - car - na - tion,
 5 There - fore, kind Je - sus, since I can - not pay thee,



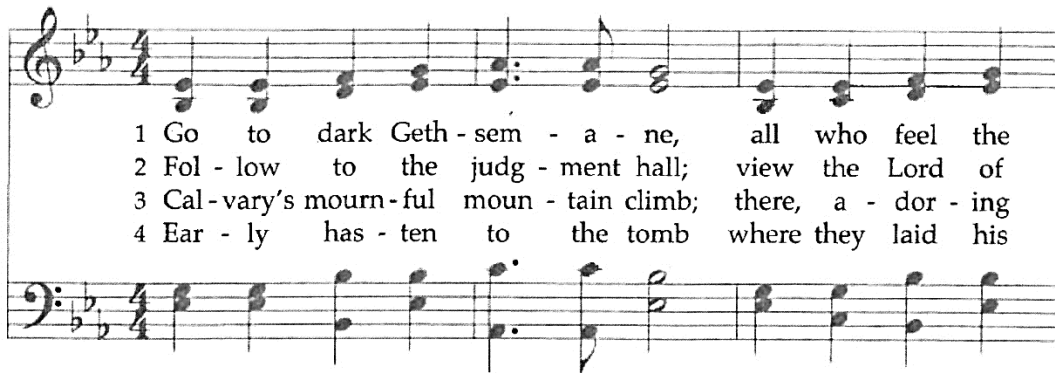
that we to judge thee have in hate pre - tend - ed? By foes de -
 A - las, my trea - son, Je - sus, hath un - done thee. 'Twas I, Lord
 the slave hath sin - ned, and the Son hath suf - fered; for our a -
 thy mor - tal sor - row, and thy life's o - bla - tion, thy death of
 I do a - dore thee, and will ev - er pray thee, think on thy



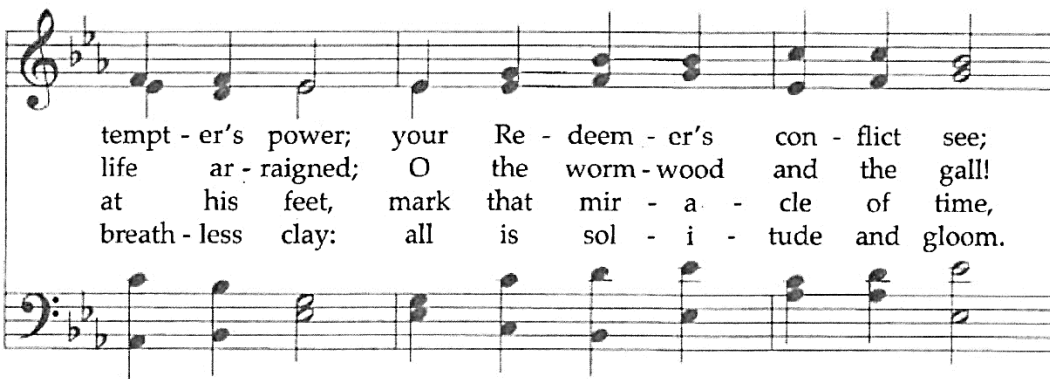
rid - ed, by thine own re - ject - ed, O most af - flict - ed!
 Je - sus, I it was de - nied thee; I cru - ci - fied thee.
 tone - ment, while we noth - ing heed - ed, God in - ter - ced - ed.
 an - guish and thy bit - ter pas - sion, for my sal - va - tion.
 pit - y and thy love un - swerv - ing, not my de - serv - ing.

This beautiful English paraphrase of a German meditation on Christ's Passion bears testimony to the unobtrusive poetic skill and musical sensitivity of a future Poet Laureate of England. The associated chorale is no less carefully crafted and rewards singing in parts.

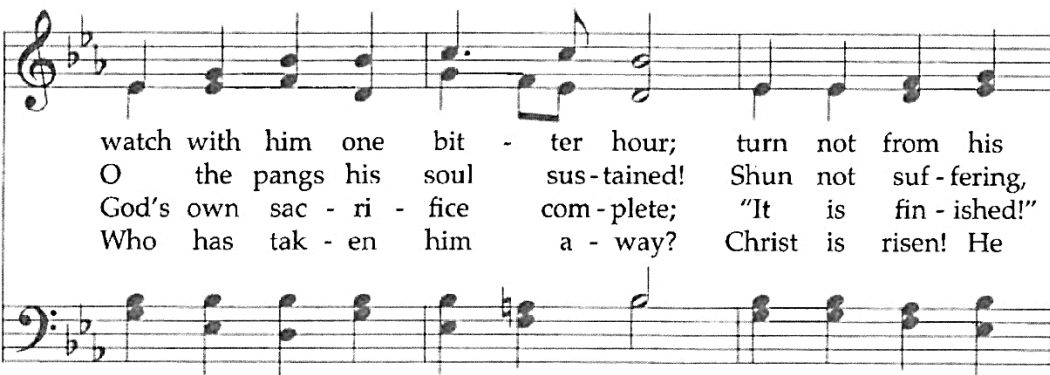
220 Go to Dark Gethsemane



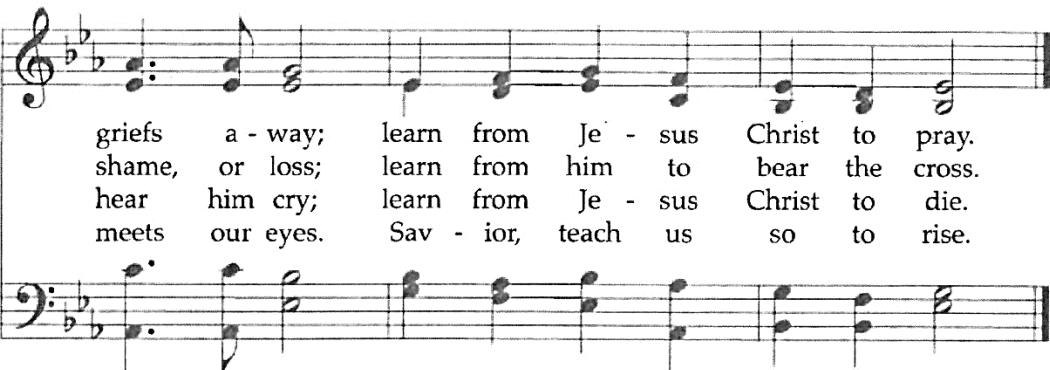
1 Go to dark Geth - sem - a - ne, all who feel the
 2 Fol - low to the judg - ment hall; view the Lord of
 3 Cal - vary's mourn - ful moun - tain climb; there, a - dor - ing
 4 Ear - ly has - ten to the tomb where they laid his



tempt - er's power; your Re - deem - er's con - flict see;
 life ar - raigned; O the worm - wood and the gall!
 at his feet, mark that mir - a - cle of time,
 breath - less clay: all is sol - i - tude and gloom.



watch with him one bit - ter hour; turn not from his
 O the pangs his soul sus - tained! Shun not suf - fering,
 God's own sac - ri - fice com - plete; "It is fin - ished!"
 Who has tak - en him a - way? Christ is risen! He



griefs a - way; learn from Je - sus Christ to pray.
 shame, or loss; learn from him to bear the cross.
 hear him cry; learn from Je - sus Christ to die.
 meets our eyes. Sav - ior, teach us so to rise.

The composer intended this tune for "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me" (no. 438), but its solemn tone and small range make it an effective setting for this series of somber vignettes portraying what Christians can learn from Christ: to pray, to bear the cross, to die, and to rise.