



Lent Wednesday 6, March 24, 2021

Opening Song

“Not All the Blood of Beasts”

Hymn #128

Responses and Prayer

Pastor: Open my lips, Lord.

Congregation: And my mouth will declare your praise.

Hasten, O God, to save me.

Come quickly, Lord, to help me.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

In peace let us pray to the Lord:

Look down, O Lord, from your glorious throne, and illuminate this night with your heavenly brightness, that by night as by day your people may glorify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who taught us to pray:

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

The Passion History

Reading #5

On the screens

Song of Praise

“My Song Is Love Unknown”

Hymn #110:1,2,4,5,6,7

Stanzas 1 and 5 sung by soloist

Meditation

Matthew 27:15–26

¹⁵ Now it was the governor’s custom at the festival to release a prisoner chosen by the crowd. ¹⁶ At that time they had a well-known prisoner whose name was Jesus Barabbas. ¹⁷ So when the crowd had gathered, Pilate asked them, “Which one do you want me to release to you: Jesus Barabbas, or Jesus who is called the Messiah?” ¹⁸ For he knew it was out of self-interest that they had handed Jesus over to him.

¹⁹ While Pilate was sitting on the judge’s seat, his wife sent him this message: “Don’t have anything to do with that innocent man, for I have suffered a great deal today in a dream because of him.”

²⁰ But the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowd to ask for Barabbas and to have Jesus executed.

²¹ “Which of the two do you want me to release to you?” asked the governor. “Barabbas,” they answered.

²² “What shall I do, then, with Jesus who is called the Messiah?” Pilate asked. They all answered, “Crucify him!”

²³ “Why? What crime has he committed?” asked Pilate.

But they shouted all the louder, “Crucify him!”

²⁴ When Pilate saw that he was getting nowhere, but that instead an uproar was starting, he took water and washed his hands in front of the crowd. “I am innocent of this man’s blood,” he said. “It is your responsibility!”

²⁵ All the people answered, “His blood is on us and on our children!”

²⁶ Then he released Barabbas to them. But he had Jesus flogged, and handed him over to be crucified.

A Moment of Self-Preservation

Evening Prayer

O God our Father, by your mercy and might, the world turns safely into darkness and returns again to light. We place into your hands our unfinished tasks, our unsolved problems, and our unfulfilled hopes, knowing that only what you bless will prosper. To your great love and protection, we commit each other and all those we love, knowing that you alone are our sure defender.

Amen.

Blessing

The blessing of our God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—be upon you. He will be with you always to provide exactly what your heart needs.

The Lord be your shield in battle.

The Lord be your light in the darkness.

The Lord be your peace in the midst of the storm.

Amen!

Closing Song “God, Who Made the Earth and Heaven”

Hymn #590:1,2,4

Holy Week Worship at Cross of Christ

	Boise	Nampa, at JaK*s Place
Palm Sunday	Saturday, March 27 6:30 pm Sunday, March 28 8:30 & 11:00 am	Sunday, March 28 9:30 am
Maundy Thursday	Thursday, April 1 6:30 pm with Holy Communion	
Good Friday	Friday, April 2 6:30 pm	
Easter Sunday	<i>no Saturday evening service</i> Sunday, April 4 7:00, 8:30, & 11:00 am Light breakfast, 8:00-11:00a	Sunday, April 4 9:30 am

Offerings

If you would like to give an offering to support our ministry, offering plates are available in the lobby. You can also give online at cocidaho.org/give or contact the church office (secretary@cocidaho.org or 208-375-3992) to schedule a time to bring your offering to church.

Our Mission

Cross of Christ congregation exists to joyously proclaim the gospel of free salvation locally and worldwide. Through God's Word and Sacraments, we strive to win lost souls for Christ and nurture believers for lives of Christian service.

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