Outer Banks Presbyterian Church

Kill Devil Hills, North Carolina



The Wednesday of Holy Week
March 28, 2018
12:00 noon

The Order of Service

♦ Congregation stand as you are able

THE ORGAN PRELUDE: "In the Cross of Christ I Glory"......arr. Albin Whitworth

THE WORDS OF WELCOME

GREETING AND OPENING PRAYER

O God of hope, True Light of faithful souls, and perfect Brightness of the blessed, who art verily the Light of Thy Church, grant that our hearts may render Thee a worthy prayer, and always glorify Thee with the offering of praises and a willing heart; through Jesus Christ our Lord who lives and reigns with Thee and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen.

♦THE RESPONSIVE READING (From Psalm 46)

OCEAN: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

SOUND: Therefore we will not fear though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea; though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

OCEAN: There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.

SOUND: God is in the midst of her, she shall not be moved; God will help her right early.

OCEAN: The nations rage, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts.

SOUND: The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

OCEAN: Come, behold the works of the Lord, how he has wrought desolations in the earth.

SOUND: He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, he burns the chariots with fire!

OCEAN: "Be still, and know that I am God. I am exalted among the nations, I am exalted in the earth!"

SOUND: The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

♦THE HYMN NO. 275 "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"..... EIN' FESTE BURG

And it was the third hour, when they crucified him. And the inscription of the charge against him read, "The King of the Jews." And with him they crucified two robbers, one on his right and one on his left. And those who passed by derided him, wagging their heads, and saying, "Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself, and come down from the cross!" So also the chief priests mocked him to one another with the scribes, saying, "He saved others; he cannot save himself. Let the Christ, the King of Israel, come down now from the cross, that we may see and believe." Those who were crucified with him also reviled him. And when the sixth hour had come, there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour. And at the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, "Elo-i, Elo-i, lama sabach-thani?" which means, "My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?" And some of the bystanders hearing it said, "Behold, he is calling Elijah." And one ran and, filling a sponge full of vinegar, put it on a reed and gave it to him to drink, saying, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down." And Jesus uttered a loud cry, and breathed his last. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. And when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that he thus breathed his last, he said, "Truly this man was the Son of God!"

MEDITATION: "For All Time"...... The Rev. Spottswood Graves

THE SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON: Revelation 5:1-10

And I saw in the right hand of him who was seated on the throne a scroll written within and on the back, sealed with seven seals; and I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, "Who is worthy to open the scroll and break its seals?" And no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll or to look into it, and I wept much that no one was found worthy to open the scroll or to look into it. Then one of the elders said to me, "Weep not; lo, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered, so that he can open the scroll and its seven seals." And between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders, I saw a Lamb standing, as though it had been slain, with seven horns and with seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth; and he went and took the scroll from the right hand of him who was seated on the throne. And when he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each holding a harp, and with golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints; and they sang a new song, saying, "Worthy art thou to take the scroll and to open its seals, for thou wast slain and by thy blood didst ransom men for God from every tribe and tongue and people and nation, and hast made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on earth."

PRAYERS AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

- ♦THE HYMN OF SENDING NO. 624 "I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art"...... TOULON
- **♦THE CHARGE AND BLESSING**

THE ORGAN POSTLUDE

Please join us in the fellowship hall following the worship service for a lunch prepared by the Holy Redeemer Catholic Church.

A donation of \$5.00 is requested for the lunch.

Wednesday Lenten Worship Service Schedule

Outer Banks Presbyterian has proudly hosted community Lenten Service sponsored by the Dare County Ministerial Association for many years. The services began on Ash Wednesday, February 14 at 12:00 noon and continued through today, March 28. There is a service in the sanctuary followed by a light lunch in the fellowship hall. The cost of the lunch is \$5.00 and the proceeds go to the Beach Food Pantry. All are invited to these services of music and reflection. The speaker and luncheon provider for the final service in the 2018 series are:

March 28

The Rev. Spottswood Graves, Speaker from Calvary Presbyterian, Swan Quarter Holy Redeemer Catholic Church, Luncheon