

Invocation

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And have privily laid their snares about me,
 And they have all betrayed me whom I had chosen.
 I had planted thee a noble vine, and of wholly right seed;
 How then art thou turned into gall and to bitterness that thou dost crucify me?

INTRODUCTION

Lamentations 1:12,13
 Ruth 1:20

Soprano Solo

All ye people, ye who pass by and see me, hearken to me, and behold me!
 Is there any sorrow like unto my sorrow?
 For the Lord hath made me desolate and faint.
 The Almighty hath dealt with me bitterly.
 Let me not be called Naomi, but ye shall call me Mara.

FIRST WORD

Luke 23:34
 Matthew 27:22,25
 Mark 17:27

Baritone and Tenor Solos and Chorus

Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.
 And they all cried, saying:
 Death doth he merit; take him, take and crucify him.
 Let his blood be upon us and upon our children.
 Then crucified they Jesus and the two thieves,
 One on his right hand, the other one on his left hand.

SECOND WORD

Luke 23:42, 43

Duo for Tenor and Baritone with Chorus

This very day shalt thou be with me in Paradise.
 Verily, verily I say unto thee,
 Lord, my God, remember me, Lord,
 When thou comest into thy kingdom.
 Even today shalt thou be with me in Paradise.

THIRD WORD

John 19:26

Soprano, Tenor and Baritone Solos and Chorus

Woman, O woman, behold thy son.
 At the cross her station keeping, stood the mournful mother weeping,
 Where he hung, her son and Lord.
 Who on Christ's dear mother gazing, pierced by anguish so amazing,
 Born of woman, would not weep?

Stabat Mater

FOURTH WORD

Matthew 27:46; Job 19:14, 19
 Psalm 142:3; Jeremiah 2:21

Baritone Solo

My God, my God, O why hast thou forsaken me?
 Mine own familiar friends have all forsaken me.

FIFTH WORD

John 19:28
 Matthew 27:39-42

Tenor and Baritone Solos and Chorus

I thirst.
 And the Jews that passed by him mocked and reviled him; they
 wagged their heads and derided him, while saying:
 Ha!
 Thou who wouldst destroy the temple, if thou art Christ, Son of our God,
 Come from the cross and prove it, that we may see it and believe thee.
 Ha!
 If thou art King of the Jews, save thyself now.

SIXTH WORD

Luke 23:46
 II Samuel 22:3

Tenor Solo and Chorus

Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit.
 For thou art my Father, my Father and my God.
 Thou art the rock of my salvation, thou art my Saviour.
 Father, to thy hands do I commend my spirit unto thee.

SEVENTH WORD

John 19:30
 Matthew 27:46,51

Soprano, Tenor and Baritone Solos with Chorus

And then said Jesus, crying with a loud voice:
 It is finished.
 And having bowed his head, he yielded up the ghost.
 And it was about the sixth hour and darkened was the sun,
 And shadows fell over all, and all the earth was darkness.
 The veil of the temple was rent, and all the earth did quake;
 Graves were opened, the dead came forth, the rocks were rent.

PRAYER

We do adore thee, O Christ; glorify thee and exalt thee: since by thy holy cross the world
 thou hast redeemed.

Benediction

Rev. Marty Connor
 Rector, St. Mark's Episcopal Church

Director of St. Mark's Episcopal Choir and Conductor

William R. Denison

Director of First United Methodist Chancel Choir

Jerry N. Spann

Organist

Lyra N. Crapps

Clarinetist

Blake Weston

Percussionist

Joseph Murfin

Soloists

Catherine Allard, soprano

Shane Nishibun, tenor

Chris O'Rear, baritone

Choir Members

Catherine Allard, Elaine Bassett, Elaine Blair, Montney Burkett, Don Crapps,

Deb Davis, Tommy Duke, Dianne Flowers, Scott Flowers, Amanda Ford,

April Jacobs, John Jinright, Thomas Johnston, Joyce Landers, John Mitcham,

Harriett Pullen, Robert Pullen, Angie Roling, Muriel Saunders, Sam Shelton,

Edith Smith, Jessica Smith, Betty Spann, Jerry Spann, Buddy Starling,

Mary Starling, Bobbie Swisher, Rhae Swisher, Chase Taylor, Claire Taylor,

Joanna Taylor, Donna Webster, Teri Williams

Sound and Lighting

Russell Tillery

Acolytes

Ally Ware, Carly Smith

THE SEVEN WORDS OF CHRIST

By Theodore Dubois

Presented by

Chancel Choir, First United Methodist Church;

St. Mark's Episcopal Choir

Sunday, April 4 ~ 6:00 p.m.