

V. Shadow of Crucifixion • Mark 15:22-32

Solo • Were You There...arr. Gwyneth Walker
Leeanna Allen, Music Ministry Intern

VI. Shadow of Forsakenness • Mark 15:33-36

Hymn 178 • How Deep the Father's Love For Us

**Behold the Man upon a cross, my sin upon His shoulders;
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held Him there until it was accomplished.
His dying breath has brought me life; I know that it is finished.**

VII. Shadow of Death • Matthew 27:50-54

The Christ Candle Is Extinguished

A Time for Silent Reflection on God's Sacrifice for Us

Choral Response • I Choose Love • Mark C. Jones

In the midst of pain, I choose love.
In the midst of pain, sorrow falling down like rain,
I await the sun again, I choose love.

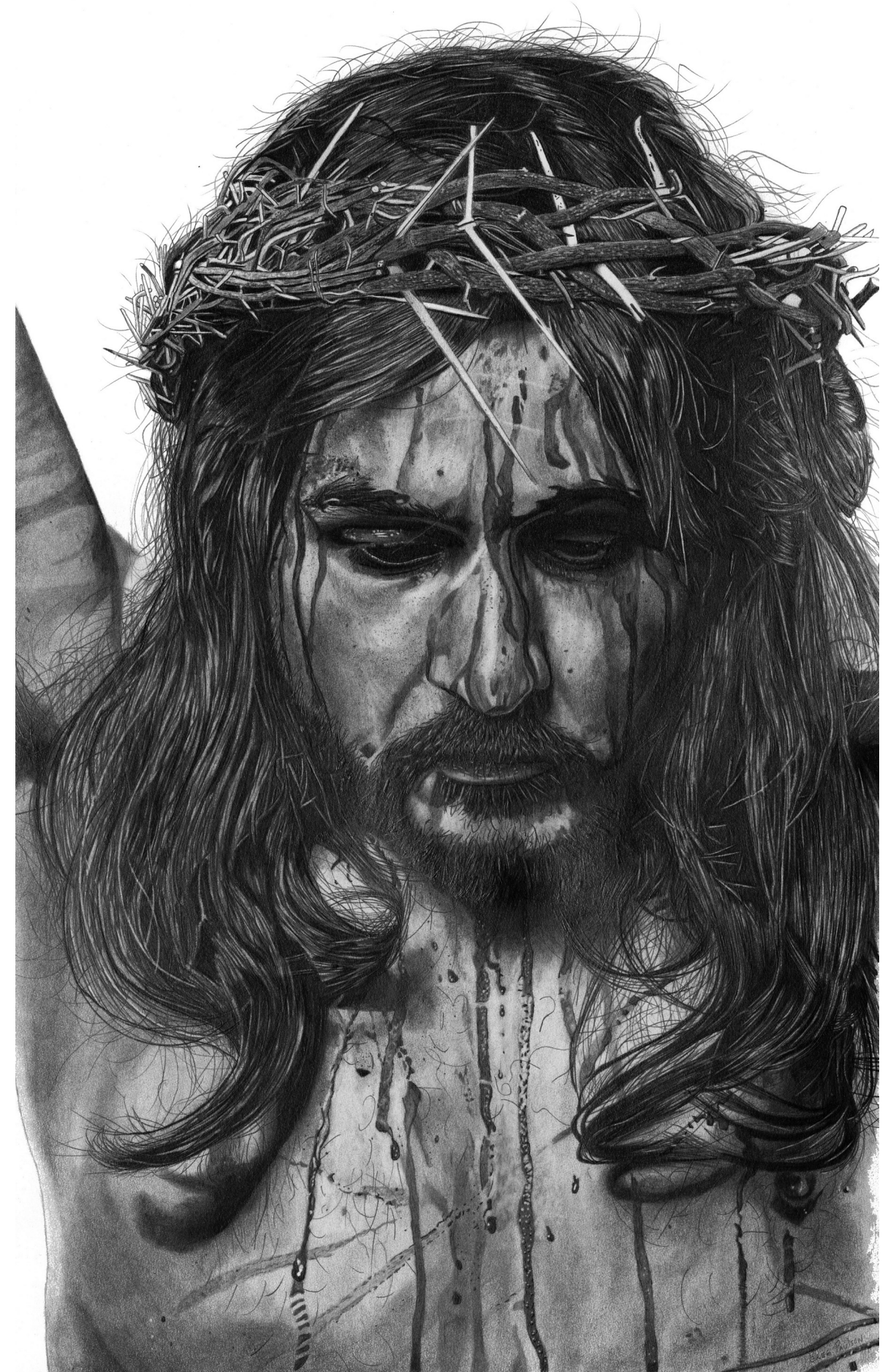
In the midst of war, I choose peace.
In the midst of war, hate and anger keeping score,
I will seek the good once more, I choose peace.

When my world falls down, I will rise.
When my world falls down, explanations can't be found,
I will climb to holy ground, I will rise.

***At this point some may wish to spend additional time in prayer.
When you are ready to leave, please leave in silence.***

Easter Schedule

8:30 a.m. Breakfast/Flowering of the Cross/Family Photographs
9:45 a.m. Bible Study
11:00 a.m. Worship



Drawing by Greg Paulson

Maundy Thursday

First Baptist Church
Rome, Georgia

April 6, 2023
7:00 p.m.

Maundy Thursday is the Thursday of Holy Week. It was the day on which Jesus celebrated the Passover with his disciples, sharing a meal which we call the Last Supper. The word "maundy" comes from the Latin for 'command' (mandatum). It refers to the command given by Jesus at the Last Supper, that his disciples should love one another.

This evening our worship will be solemn. Please silence cellular phones and pagers.
We request that you enter and depart the Sanctuary in silence.

Prelude • There Is a Fountain...arr. Dan R. Edwards
First Baptist Ringers

Invocation • David Brooks

Hymn of Preparation No. 185 The Old Rugged Cross

Meditation •“The Gang’s All Here” • Rev. Brooks

COMMEMORATION OF THE LAST SUPPER

Worshippers should proceed to their right, row by row, to receive communion from the minister/ deacon who is at the front of their section. Please take a piece of bread from a minister/ deacon and dip it into the cup held by the other deacon/minister.

The table set before us is not the property of our church; it is the Lord's table. We invite all who call Jesus "Lord" and have followed Him in baptism to join us.

TENEBRAE—A SERVICE OF SHADOWS

Kristen Mathis, Nick Georgian,Tamara Tillman Smathers, David Brooks, readers

Anthem of Preparation • Come to the Cross • Joseph Martin

Come to the cross. Kneel in its shadow.
Come to the lonely place where teardrops turn to grace.
Behold the dying Lamb of God. Kyrie eleison. (Lord, have mercy.)

Come to the cross. Rest in the promise.
Come to the shattered throne where Jesus dies alone.
Behold the wounded King of kings. Kyrie eleison.

Father forgive them.

Come to the cross. Come to the fountain.
Come to the windswept hill; the cross is waiting still.
Behold the man of Calvary. Kyrie eleison. Come to the cross.

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I. Shadow of Prediction • John 13:31-38

Hymn 491 • Wherever He Leads I’ll Go

“Take up thy cross and follow me,” I heard the Master say.
“I gave My life to ransom thee, surrender your all today.
Wherever He leads I’ll go. Wherever He leads I’ll go.
I’ll follow my Christ, who loves me so. Wherever He leads I’ll go.

II. Shadow of the Agony of the Spirit • Mark 14:32-42

Sanctuary Choir • Thy Will Be Done...Craig Courtney

Our cup was filled with darkness; our cup was filled with death.
Christ took our cup and drank it and gave us life and gave us hope, gave us himself.
“My Father, let this cup pass from me, yet not my will, O Lord, but thine be done.”

In blackest night we hear him in dark Gethsemane,
pleading with the Father for one more way, for one more hope, for one more day.
Then they took our Savior and led him to a tree
and there they broke his body, poured out his life, put him to death to rise again!

III. Shadow of Denial • Matthew 26:69-75

Solo • Near the Cross...arr. Molly Ijames
Kelley Ozier, euphonium

IV. Shadow of Irresponsibility • Matthew 27:20-26 (Read responsively.)

But the chief priests and the leaders convinced the crowds to ask for Barabbas to be set free and for Jesus to be killed. Pilate asked the crowd again,“Which of these two men do you want me to set free?”

“Barabbas!”

Pilate asked them,“What am I to do with Jesus, who is called the Messiah?” They all yelled,

“Nail him to a cross!”

Pilate answered,“But what crime has he done?” They yelled even louder:

“Nail him to a cross!”

Pilate saw that there was nothing he could do and that the people were starting to riot. So he took some water and washed his hands in front of them and said,“I won’t have any- thing to do with killing this man.You are the ones doing it!” Everyone answered:

“We and our own families will take the blame for his death!”

Pilate set Barabbas free.Then he ordered his soldiers to beat Jesus with a whip and nail him to a cross.