



# HOLY WEDNESDAY

The Twenty-eighth Day of March, Two Thousand and Eighteen

*As you enter the Sanctuary, please assume a quiet and respectful attitude of worship.*

*Please silence your mobile device.*

INSTRUMENTAL PRELUDE: "Quiet Hymn Reflections" . . . . . Christine Anderson  
"As the Deer" . . . . . Christine Anderson  
*Jill Peak, piano; Janie Riess, handbells*

CALL TO WORSHIP . . . . . David A. Bowen

✦HYMN: No. 264 "Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross" . . . . . NEAR THE CROSS

✦INVOCATION *(Please lift hands)*

PSALTER LESSON . . . . . Psalm 41:9  
*(page 469 in the pew Bible)*

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND PETITION

**Holy and gracious Father,  
as we look again to the suffering of Your Son,  
we grieve that, as He was arrested and falsely accused,  
He was abandoned by all of His "friends."  
We humbly confess that we, also, at times have stood away from Him.  
In seeking to protect ourselves in the company of others,  
we have not openly identified with our Savior,  
who being in very nature God, humbled Himself as a servant  
to endure death on the cross for us.  
We thank You for the faithful love of Christ  
that restores us in relationship, even in our weakness.  
Restore to us the joy of our salvation, we pray,  
by faith in Your Son, our Savior. Amen.**

SOLO: "Because He Lives" . . . . . RESURRECTION

God sent His Son, they called Him Jesus, He came to love, heal, and forgive;  
He lived and died to buy my pardon, an empty grave is there to prove my Savior lives.

How sweet to hold a newborn baby, and feel the pride, and joy he gives;  
But greater still the calm assurance, this child can face uncertain days because He lives.

*Because He lives I can face tomorrow, because He lives all fear is gone;  
Because I know He holds the future. And life is worth the living just because He lives.*

And then one day I'll cross the river, I'll fight life's final war with pain;  
And then as death gives way to victory, I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know He lives.

*Elizabeth Wall, soloist*

HOMILY: "Even My Close Friend" . . . . . Michael G. Stokke

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

✦HYMN: No. 254 "Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed" . . . . . MARTYRDOM

✦BENEDICTION *(Please lift hands)*

ORGAN POSTLUDE: "Blessed Assurance" . . . . . Christine Anderson

✦Indicates congregation standing

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## Holy Week Service Schedule

**Holy Week Lunches & Services:** March 26-29

Daily services at noon in the Sanctuary

Daily lunch: 11:00-11:45 a.m. & 12:30-1:15 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

**Maundy Thursday Evening:** March 29 at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary

**Good Friday Service:** March 30 at 12:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

**Easter Egg Hunt:** March 31 at 10:00 a.m. on the Poplar Field

**Easter Sunday:** April 1

**Sunrise Service:** 6:30 a.m. at Memphis Botanic Garden

**Morning Worship Services:** 8:00, 9:30, & 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary

*No Sunday School or Evening Service*

## Getting Connected at Second

A pastor will be available after the service to pray for you in the Gathering Room, located on the left as you exit the southwest door of the Sanctuary. To find out more about who we are and how you can become part of our church community, or for help with specific concerns, you may contact a member of our pastoral team directly using the information below.

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