

VERNAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

A Congregation of the *Evangelical Presbyterian Church*



March 29, 2024
Good Friday

The mission of Vernal Presbyterian Church is to worship and glorify the one true God and Jesus Christ, His Son. We open our doors to all who seek to worship with us: the weary, the lonely, the mourning and all who will come. We proclaim our faith in Jesus Christ as our Redeemer through worship, the Word, and the Sacraments as we fellowship and learn together through music, missions, Christian education and service to others.

Sunday School 9:45 AM
Lord's Day Service 11:00 AM

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As you enter the sanctuary, please remain silent in prayerful preparation.

God Calls Us

Call to Worship

Numbers 21:4-9

***Invocation**

***Hymn #377**

O Sacred Head Now Wounded

MUNICH

God Cleanses Us

Prayer of Confession & Supplication

Our God and Father,

Most gracious and full of compassion, have mercy upon us in the name of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. And as You blotted out our sins and stains, magnify and increase in us day by day the grace of Your Holy Spirit, that as we acknowledge our unrighteousness with all our heart, we may be moved by that sorrow which shall bring forth true repentance in us, mortifying all our sins, and producing in us fruits of righteousness and innocence which are pleasing to You, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***Assurance of Pardon**

Isaiah 53:3-5

***Hymn #311**

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

HAMBURG

God Consecrates Us

***Confession of Faith**

Larger Catechism 49 & 50

How did Christ humble himself in his death?

Christ humbled himself in his death, in that having been betrayed by Judas, forsaken by his disciples, scorned and rejected by the world, condemned by Pilate, and tormented by his persecutors; having also conflicted with the terrors of death, and the powers of darkness, felt and borne the weight of God's wrath, he laid down his life an offering for sin, enduring the painful, shameful, and cursed death of the cross.

Wherein consisted Christ's humiliation after his death?

Christ's humiliation after his death consisted in his being buried, and continuing in the state of the dead, and under the power of death till the third day; which hath been otherwise expressed in these words, He descended into hell.

Prayer of Illumination

First Reading *John 18*

Responsive Psalm *Psalm 22* Bulletin Insert

Second Reading *John 19*

Sermon *Whom Do You Seek?* Reid Roberson

Prayers of Intercession

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, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

God Commissions Us

*Hymn #306 *The Old Rugged Cross* OLD RUGGED CROSS

Benediction *2 Corinthians 13:14*

*Doxology #434 OLD 100TH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heav'n - ly host;
Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - - men.



**The congregation is invited to stand.*

The Session and Congregation of Vernal Presbyterian Church extend in the Name of Christ the Lord a cordial welcome to all who are worshipping with us this evening.

Please join us again for worship this Sunday.

Sunrise Service 6:45 AM

Lord's Day Service 11:00 AM

Session of Elders

Jeff Allen Joe James
Sudie Copeland, treasurer Frances Forsyth, clerk

Becky Brewer, music director
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Responsive Psalm 22

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

**Why are you so far from saving me,
from the words of my groaning?**

O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer, and by night, but I find no rest.

**Yet you are holy, enthroned on the
praises of Israel.**

In you our fathers trusted; they trusted, and you delivered them.

**To you they cried and were rescued;
in you they trusted and were not put
to shame.**

But I am a worm and not a man, scorned by mankind and despised by the people.

**All who see me mock me; they make
mouths at me; they wag their heads;**

"He trusts in the LORD; let him deliver him; let him rescue him, for he delights in him!"

**Yet you are he who took me from the
womb; you made me trust you at my
mother's breasts.**

On you was I cast from my birth, and from my mother's womb you have been my God.

**Be not far from me, for trouble is
near, and there is none to help.**

Many bulls encompass me; strong bulls of Bashan surround me;

**they open wide their mouths at me,
like a ravening and roaring lion.**

I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint;

**my heart is like wax; it is melted
within my breast;**

my strength is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue sticks to my jaws; you lay me in the dust of death.

**For dogs encompass me; a company
of evildoers encircles me; they have
pierced my hands and feet—**

I can count all my bones—they stare and gloat over me; they divide my garments among them, and for my clothing they cast lots.

**But you, O LORD, do not be far off!
O you my help, come quickly to my
aid!**

Deliver my soul from the sword, my precious life from the power of the dog!

**Save me from the mouth of the lion!
You have rescued me from the horns
of the wild oxen!**

I will tell of your name to my brothers; in the midst of the congregation I will praise you:

**You who fear the LORD, praise him!
All you offspring of Jacob, glorify
him, and stand in awe of him, all you
offspring of Israel!**

For he has not despised or abhorred the affliction of the afflicted,

**and he has not hidden his face from
him, but has heard, when he cried to
him.**

From you comes my praise in the great congregation; my vows I will perform before those who fear him.

The afflicted shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek him shall praise the LORD! May your hearts live forever!

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD, and all the families of the nations shall worship before you.

For kingship belongs to the LORD, and he rules over the nations.

All the prosperous of the earth eat and worship;

before him shall bow all who go down to the dust, even the one who could not keep himself alive.

Posterity shall serve him; it shall be told of the Lord to the coming generation;

they shall come and proclaim his righteousness to a people yet unborn, that he has done it.