GOOD FRIDAY

First Baptist Church March 30, 2018

Organ Prelude

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded
Were You There

setting by Michael Burkhardt setting by David Maxwell

Opening Sentences

Paul Sims

Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows;

Yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted.

But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities;

Upon him was the chastisement that made us whole,

And with his stripes we are healed.

- from Isaiah 53

Hymn 191

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PASSION CHORALE

Call to Confession - from Hebrews 4

Austin Carty

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we meet each other today at the foot of the cross, as inhabitants of one world. We wait with each other as those who inflict wounds on one another:

be merciful to us.

As those who deny justice to others:

be merciful to us.

As those who put our trust in power:

be merciful to us.

As those who are greedy:

be merciful to us.

As those who put others on trial:

be merciful to us.

As those who refuse to receive:

be merciful to us.

As those who are afraid of the world's torment:

be merciful to us. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness – from Hebrews 5

Austin Carty

Psalm 22 setting by Hal Hopson



My God, am I forsaken? Why turn from me Your eyes?

Why cease to know my anguish, or hear my heartfelt cries? REFRAIN

The faithful ones before me found favor by their trust;

While I, despised, tormented, am cast into the dust. REFRAIN

With scorn my foes deride me, their taunts my faith would move;

Yet firm in my conviction, deep-rooted in Your love. REFRAIN

My God, my sure salvation, be near me all my days;

Whatever may befall me, remain my strength always. REFRAIN

- Michael Morgan, 20th century

A Reading from the Epistles – Romans 8:18-25

Sabrina Smith

Austin Carty

The Passion Narrative – from John 19

Austin Carty and Paul Sims

Homily "Meanwhile, Standing Near the Cross"

Hymn 184 Beneath the Cross of Jesus ST. CHRISTOPHER

Benediction Austin Carty and Paul Sims and may everyone you meet see the face of Christ in you. Amen.

Organ Postlude O Sacred Head, Now Wounded setting by David Maxwell

Ushers will be at exits to receive an offering that will benefit a ministry of the Southeastern Kentucky Ministerial Alliance that provides charitable assistance to the poor and distressed through financial assistance, the provision of food, and the sustenance of faith.

Gayle Majors, Organist Ann Hacker, Pianist