



We celebrate faith by:

ROOTING our lives in a relationship with our God.

REJOICING in the gifts of life and love our God graciously offers.

REACHING out to our world with God's healing and hope!

6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER
Way of the Cross
Sunday, May 5th, 2024 – 10:00 AM

Welcome to Worship!

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: The cross is the hope of Christians.

ALL: **The cross is the way of the lost**

L: The cross is the strength of the weak.

ALL: **The cross is the hope of the hopeless**

L: The cross is the freedom from sin and death.

ALL: **We thank you, Father, for the cross.**

OPENING HYMN

"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

Red #803

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Be with us, Lord, as we walk the Way of your Cross and remember your sacrifice for all of us. Help us to grow as your devoted followers. You love us so much you gave yourself over to death so that we might experience life in your eternal kingdom, where you reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen

ALL: **Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy. Amen**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

WELCOME AND COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Way of the Cross

Walk to Easter

L: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

ALL: By your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Scripture Lesson: John 19:16-17

Prayer

All Sing: *Were you there when Jesus bore the cross?*

Were you there when Jesus bore the cross?

Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble,

Were you there when Jesus bore the cross?

L: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

ALL: By your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Scripture Lesson: Mark 15:21

Prayer

All Sing: *Were you there when Simon helped our Lord?*

Were you there when Simon helped our Lord?

Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble,

Were you there when Simon helped our Lord?

L: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

ALL: By your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Scripture Lesson: John 19:23-24

Prayer

All Sing: *Were you there when they stripped him of his Robe?*

Were you there when they stripped him of his Robe?

Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble,

Were you there when they stripped him of his Robe?

L: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

ALL: By your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Scripture Lesson: Luke 23:33-43

Prayer

All Sing: *Were you there when they crucified my Lord?*

Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble,

Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

L: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

ALL: By your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Scripture Lesson: John 19:28-30

Prayer

All Sing: *Were you there when he died upon the cross?
Were you there when he died upon the cross?
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble,
Were you there when he died upon the cross?*

L: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

ALL: By your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Scripture Lesson: Mark 15:42-47

Prayer

All Sing: *Were you there when they placed him in the tomb?
Were you there when they placed him in the tomb?
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble,
Were you there when they placed him in the tomb?*

L: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

ALL: By your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Scripture Lesson: Luke 24:1-9

Prayer

All Sing: *Were you there when he rose up from the dead?
Were you there when he rose up from the dead?
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble,
Were you there when he rose up from the dead?*



Message:

Pastor Joel Samuelson

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Nicene Creed

(See Projection)

THANKSGIVING

We respond with gratitude for God's gracious gifts.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

OFFERING MOMENT

OFFERING RESPONSE

"Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds"

Red #367 (vv. 1 & 4)

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

Red p. 134 (top right column)

HOLY COMMUNION IS A CELEBRATION OF OUR NEW LIFE IN CHRIST!

All are welcome to share in this meal of grace at our Lord's Table. If you believe in Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior and accept that He alone forgives your sins, come and share in this meal of grace our Lord intended for you!

DISTRIBUTION MUSIC

"Let's Just Praise the Lord"

Grey #244 (Repeat)

"Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus"

Grey #218 (Repeat)

BLESSING

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

"Lift High the Cross!"

Red #660

DISMISSAL:

L: Go in peace. Serve the Risen Lord!

ALL: Thanks be to God!

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