

# GOOD FRIDAY WORSHIP

April 6, 2007 12:00-3:00 PM

## The Seven Last Words of Jesus: Meditations and Musical Responses

**INTROIT** *Like As The Hart Desireth The Waterbrooks* Herbert Howells

\* **HYMN** *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*  
(From *The New Century Hymnal*, The Pilgrim Press, permission is granted for this one-time use)

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING** Jacqui Lewis

**SOLO** *Calvary*, Charles Brown arr. Charles S. Brown

### THE SEVEN LAST WORDS

- Father, forgive them for they know not what they do  
**Luke 23:33-34 Morine Bowen**  
*Father, forgive them* Gary Driskell  
Branch Woodman
- Truly I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise  
**Luke 23:39-43 Ruth Gonzales**  
*Inflamatus (Stabat Mater)* Giocchino Rossini  
Junko Watanabe
- Woman behold you son, son behold your mother  
**John 14:26-27 John Janka**  
*Take My Mother Home* Pamela Warrick-Smith  
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- My God, my God why have you forsaken me?  
**Mark 15:34 Heather Juby**  
*Walt Whitman in 1989* Chris deBlasio  
Vaughn Lindquist
- I thirst  
**John 19: 28 Brad Motta**  
*Standin' in the Need of Prayer (The Emperor Jones)* Louis Gruenberg  
Kevin Burdette

6. It is finished  
**John 9:2930 Chad Tanaka**  
*God So Loved the World (The Crucifixion)* John Stainer

7. Into your hands I commit my spirit  
**Luke 23:46 Scott Cocking**  
*Crucifixion* Samuel Barber  
Beth Hatton

**The Last Word: It's Strange...** Jacqui Lewis  
*Strange Fruit* Abel Meeropol  
Nedra Neal

### OFFERTORY

*When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* Warren Martin

### \* DOXOLOGY HYMN / DEDICATION PRAYER

From all that dwell below the skies/let faith and hope with love arise/let peace, goodwill on earth be sung/through every land by every tongue. Amen

### \* BENEDICTION

### The Service of Tenebrae.

*The bells of the church will ring 33 times, symbolizing the 33 years of Jesus' life. You may leave when you are ready, in silence and in darkness. We hope you will come to celebrate the light on Easter Sunday morning. We have three celebrations: 6:00a.m. Sunrise, and Easter Celebrations at 9:00a.m. and 11:15 a.m.*

### MIDDLE CHURCH CHOIR

Marcus Auger, Gail Blache-Gill, Charles Brown, Beth Hatton, Joslyn King, Eric Lamp, Vaughn Lindquist, Nedra Neal, Tami Petty, Kristin Sampson, Steven Vaughan, Pamela Warrick-Smith, Junko Watanabe, Branch  
Directed by Jonathan Dudley.

### MINISTERS

Rev. Dr. Jacqui Lewis, Senior Minister  
Rev. Dr. Brad Motta, Education  
Rev. Morine A. Bowen, Mission, Social Action and Outreach  
Dr. Heather Juby, Congregational Care

# EASTER SUNDAY WORSHIP CELEBRATION

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APRIL 8, 2007 • 9:00 | 11:15 AM

**Manhattan Brass Quintet** (10:45 am)

~ GATHERING ~

**INTROIT** *Easter Fanfare* John Miller

**HYMN\*** *Christ the Lord is Risen Today* New Century Hymnal

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING\*** Morine Bowen

~Worshippers May Be Seated~

**ANTHEM** *Hymn of the World's Creator* Louie J. White  
Solo: Mark Rehnstrom

**WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS** Jacqui Lewis

**MORNING PRAYER/LORD'S PRAYER** Brad Motta

Ever-loving God, Hallowed be your name. Your reign come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for yours is the reign, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

**PASSING OF THE PEACE\***

**EASTER PARADE** Children and Brass

**CHILDREN LEAVE FOR CHILDREN'S CHURCH** (11:15)

~ REFLECTING ~

**SCRIPTURE** Isaiah 65.17-25; Luke 24:1-12

**JERRIESE JOHNSON EAST VILLAGE GOSPEL CHOIR** Annastasia Victory, Dir.

**SERMON** *Choose Life* Jacqui Lewis

~ RESPONDING ~

**OFFERING/ OFFERTORY** *Alleluia* Randall Thompson

**DOXOLOGY HYMN/DEDICATION PRAYER\***

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## CLOSING HYMN

### The Day of Resurrection

The day of resurrection! Earth, tell it out abroad;  
The Passover of gladness, the Passover of God!  
From death to life eternal, from earth unto the sky,  
Our Christ has brought us over with hymns of victory.

Our hearts be free of evil, that we may see aright  
The Christ in rays eternal of resurrection light,  
And, listening to the accents, may hear so calm and plain  
Christ's own "All hail!" and, hearing, may raise the victor strain.

Now let the heavens be joyful, let earth its song begin,  
The round world keep high triumph, and all that is therein  
Let all things seen and unseen their notes of gladness blend,  
For Christ indeed is risen, our Joy that has no end.

**BENEDICTION\***

**POSTLUDE\*** Hallelujah! (Messiah) G.F. Handel

*Indicates Please Stand If You Are Able*

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### MANHATTAN BRASS QUINTET

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Wayne duMaine, Lew Soloff (trumpets), Ann Ellsworth (horn), Mike Seltzer (trombone), Dave Taylor (bass trombone)

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### THANK YOU!

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What a gifted congregation you are! Last week's Passion Sunday celebration was a wonderful example of the giftedness of our people creating a memorable and moving worship experience. Jonathan Dudley, Theresa Duhon, all the singers and the band were wonderful! Thank you so much for being with us. And thanks to all of you who consistently make worship meaningful. Love, Jacqui

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### WELCOME TO MIDDLE CHURCH

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We are glad you are here today. If you are visiting for the first time, we invite you to return often and make Middle Church a home for you, your family, and friends. Complete the card from the pew in front of you or sign the guest book in the narthex to receive our newsletter or listserv. For more information visit [middlechurch.org](http://middlechurch.org).

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### COURTESY AND SAFETY IN THE SANCTUARY

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Please silence your cell phone and leave food or drink outside. Please help us comply with fire safety codes: fold strollers or carts and store them carefully under a pew. Thanks for your cooperation. For the additional comfort of parents with restless young ones, the worship celebration can also be heard real time in our social hall.

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### UPCOMING NEW ADULT EDUCATION IN APRIL

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**LIVING THE WORD, Cheryl Cochran and Keith Slatten-Poss for the Month of April,**

Living The Word will present both traditional and contemporary viewpoints in translating key Scripture passages that mention homosexuality. By the end of this series, we hope that participants will be able to have more informed discussions on this issue by hearing from both sides.

Week 1-Genesis and Judges

Week 2 Leviticus

Week 3 Romans and Jude

Week 4 1 Corinthians and 1 Timothy

Week 5 Wrap-Up/Summary

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### INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MEMBER? NEXT NEW MEMBER GATHERING APRIL 22ND-MAY 6

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Joining Middle Church is a welcoming process. We hope you will consider making Middle Church your home. Meet at 1:00p in the parlor on May 6 to get started. If you have any questions, please contact Jacqui Lewis at [jlewis@middlechurch.org](mailto:jlewis@middlechurch.org)

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### SUNDAY CLASSES AND ACTIVITIES FOR ALL AGES TODAY

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9:00 & 11:15 AM	Wee Care	Nursery	Under 4
9:00 AM	<b>Children in Worship Today</b>		
10:00 AM	No Church School	<b>Children in Worship Today</b>	
10:00 AM	<b>No Bible Study:</b> Charlie Haynes	Joins Living the Word	Adult
10:00 AM	Living the Word	Parlor	Adult
10:00 AM	Easter Brunch	Social Hall	
10:00 AM	Middle Cares Table	Social Hall	
12:30 AM	Easter Egg Hunt	After School Room	Children
12:30 PM	Order Tapes of Celebration	Media Room	
12:45 PM	Easter Brunch	Social Hall	