



Welcome to St. John's Christian Church

"The Church on the Corner Whose Cornerstone is Christ"

Come **H**ear the **R**eason we're **I**nspired to **S**erve **T**ogether



*We are a community of faith founded upon God's Holy Word,
preaching salvation through believing in Christ as our Savior.*

We seek to live in God's truth, being obedient to His Word and following in His ways.

Midweek Lenten Worship

Ringing of the Tower Bells

Welcome, Scripture and Prayer of Invocation

Psalm 95:6-7

†Call to Worship (L – leader; *P – people*)

L: Let us worship together, all who seek the love of the Lord.

P: But we're weak and we often stray from God's ways.

L: Yet the Lord loves us still and sent Christ to bring us home.

P: Can the Lord love us even if we sin, even if we betray him?

L: Yes! If we confess and turn from our sin, we are forgiven.

P: Blessed be the name of the Lord!

†Hymn

#198, "Wonderful Grace of Jesus"

†Unison Prayer of Confession: *Mighty God, you've given us a sobering lesson about indecisiveness in the story of Pilate. And we, too, often can be indecisive in living for Jesus, either consciously or unconsciously, usually in subtle ways. Forgive us, we pray. Help us to remain steadfast and trustworthy followers of Christ; in whom salvation and forgiveness are promised, and in whose name we pray. Amen.*

Hymn Sing

#375, "Jesus Calls Us"

#379, verses 1 and 6, "Take My Life and Let It Be"

#2, verse 1, "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

#206, verse 1, "There Is a Redeemer"

Scripture Reading

Matthew 27:11-26

Evening Presentation

"An Interview with Pilate"

(Adapted from "20th Century Interviews with Biblical Characters" by Rev. Duane Wuggazer)

21st Century Christian – Pastor Alex

Pilate – David Stuckey

†Hymn

#240, "Rock of Ages"

†Benediction

(Loose offerings will be divided between the Aroles and Back Bay Mission)

Scripture Readings

Psalm 95:6-7

Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the LORD our Maker; ⁷ for he is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.

Matthew 27:11-26

Meanwhile Jesus stood before the governor, and the governor asked him, "Are you the king of the Jews?" "Yes, it is as you say," Jesus replied. ¹² When he was accused by the chief priests and the elders, he gave no answer. ¹³ Then Pilate asked him, "Don't you hear the testimony they are bringing against you?" ¹⁴ But Jesus made no reply, not even to a single charge-- to the great amazement of the governor. ¹⁵ Now it was the governor's custom at the Feast to release a prisoner chosen by the crowd. ¹⁶ At that time they had a notorious prisoner, called Barabbas. ¹⁷ So when the crowd had gathered, Pilate asked them, "Which one do you want me to release to you: Barabbas, or Jesus who is called Christ?" ¹⁸ For he knew it was out of envy that they had handed Jesus over to him. ¹⁹ While Pilate was sitting on the judge's seat, his wife sent him this message: "Don't have anything to do with that innocent man, for I have suffered a great deal today in a dream because of him." ²⁰ But the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowd to ask for Barabbas and to have Jesus executed. ²¹ "Which of the two do you want me to release to you?" asked the governor. "Barabbas," they answered. ²² "What shall I do, then, with Jesus who is called Christ?" Pilate asked. They all answered, "Crucify him!" ²³ "Why? What crime has he committed?" asked Pilate. But they shouted all the louder, "Crucify him!" ²⁴ When Pilate saw that he was getting nowhere, but that instead an uproar was starting, he took water and washed his hands in front of the crowd. "I am innocent of this man's blood," he said. "It is your responsibility!" ²⁵ All the people answered, "Let his blood be on us and on our children!" ²⁶ Then he released Barabbas to them. But he had Jesus flogged, and handed him over to be crucified.



Tonight's Worship Servants

Accompanist - Lynne Christman
Easy Worship - Kelly Ducey
Live Stream - Cayla Swisher

Song Leader - David Stuckey
Sound - James Grime
Usher - Dave Walker



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