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Cover Art

Melanie MacKillop

Stage Installation

Kipp Normand

Banners

Esther Gray

Stair Caps

Mailboxes with seed pods by Landon Shire, Dirk Edwards, and Tom Peck

Frames

Robert J. Hoffman (1930-2017), Barbara Knuckles' father

Hanging Installation

"Letters of Hope" by Nick Dodge & Michael Taft with the Fossy Posse

Much like Luke's Gospel, dedicated to Theophilus, comes as a message of hope about Jesus' coming into the world, these hanging letters are meant to remind us of different words of hope we have heard from God and our loved ones this Advent Season. Most of these letters are simply white but if you look closely some of them are misted with gold paint, reminding us of the divine words that come through ordinary letters.

Paintings

Tashema Davis, "Forgiven," oil on canvas

Karyl Boring, "Mourning Cloth," 154 meditative stitched squares, raw edges, unfinished like grief

Johnny McKee, "Introspectral," acrylic, tempera; "A Crumbling Beauty," acrylic, tempera

Israel Solomon, "Pieta," acrylic on canvas

Barb Knuckles, "Crucifixion (after Zurbaran)," acrylic, mixed media; "Deposition from the Cross," acrylic, mixed media

Easter Celebration Times

Redeemer Presbyterian Church

8am, 9:30am, and 11am

Fountain Square Presbyterian Church

10:30am

*Use the QR code to learn more about
"Frames" which are hanging in the
Sanctuary.*



Welcome

Silence

Prayer for Help

from The Rule of St. Benedict

Leader

Holy God, I believe you have wisdom for me to hear,
but my inward ear has been dulled,
by all the nonsense it hears,
and the cacophony of the world.

All

**We don't know where or how to start,
but teach us how to listen.
Help us believe that we can actually hear you.**

Intro

“Stay With Me”

Ensemble

*Stay with me,
Remain here with me,
Watch and pray.
Watch and pray.*

Communaute de Taizé, 1984

Lesson 1

Arrested in the Garden (Luke 22:39-53)

Reader

³⁹ Jesus went out as usual to the Mount of Olives, and his disciples followed him. ⁴⁰ On reaching the place, he said to them, “Pray that you will not fall into temptation.” ⁴¹ He withdrew about a stone’s throw beyond them, knelt down and prayed, ⁴² “Father, if you are willing, take this cup from me; yet not my will, but yours be done.” ⁴³ An angel from heaven appeared to him and strengthened him. ⁴⁴ And being in anguish, he prayed more earnestly, and his sweat was like drops of blood falling to the ground.

Song

“Stay With Me”

Ensemble

*Stay with me,
Remain here with me,
Watch and pray.
Watch and pray.*

Communaute de Taizé, 1984

Reader ⁴⁵ When he rose from prayer and went back to the disciples, he found them asleep, exhausted from sorrow. ⁴⁶ “Why are you sleeping?” he asked them. “Get up and pray so that you will not fall into temptation.”

⁴⁷ While he was still speaking a crowd came up, and the man who was called Judas, one of the Twelve, was leading them. He approached Jesus to kiss him, ⁴⁸ but Jesus asked him, “Judas, are you betraying the Son of Man with a kiss?”

⁴⁹ When Jesus’ followers saw what was going to happen, they said, “Lord, should we strike with our swords?” ⁵⁰ And one of them struck the servant of the high priest, cutting off his right ear.

⁵¹ But Jesus answered, “No more of this!” And he touched the man’s ear and healed him.

⁵² Then Jesus said to the chief priests, the officers of the temple guard, and the elders, who had come for him, “Am I leading a rebellion, that you have come with swords and clubs? ⁵³ Every day I was with you in the temple courts, and you did not lay a hand on me. But this is your hour—when darkness reigns.”

Prayer

Leader While we were falling asleep,

All **You were preparing to die for us.**

Leader While we were absorbed in our sadness,

All **You were concerned about the trials we were about to face.**

Leader While we were attacking your enemies,

All **You were healing them.**

Song

“Stay With Me”

Ensemble

*Stay with me,
Remain here with me,
Watch and pray.
Watch and pray.*

Communauté de Taizé, 1984

Song

Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed?

All

**Alas! And did my Savior bleed and did my Sovereign die?
Would he devote that sacred head for such a worm as I?
Was it for crimes that I had done he groaned upon the tree?
Amazing pity! Grace unknown! And love beyond degree!**

**Well might the sun in darkness hide and shut his glories in,
When Christ, the mighty Maker died, for man the creature's sin.
Thus might I hide my blushing face while his dear cross appears?
Dissolve my heart in thankfulness, and melt my eyes in tears.**

**But drops of grief can ne'er repay the debt of love I owe:
Here, Lord, I give myself away 'tis all that I can do.
Alas! And did my Savior bleed and did my Sovereign die?
Would he devote that sacred head for such a worm as I?**

music Irish Traditional, Arr. Bruce Benedict, 2004; words Isaac Watts, 1707

Lesson 2

Peter's Betrayal (Luke 22:54-62; 22:31-32)

Reader

⁵⁴ Then seizing him, they led him away and took him into the house of the high priest. Peter followed at a distance. ⁵⁵ And when some there had kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard and had sat down together, Peter sat down with them. ⁵⁶ A servant girl saw him seated there in the firelight. She looked closely at him and said, "This man was with him."

⁵⁷ But he denied it. "Woman, I don't know him," he said.

⁵⁸ A little later someone else saw him and said, "You also are one of them."

"Man, I am not!" Peter replied.

⁵⁹ About an hour later another asserted, "Certainly this fellow was with him, for he is a Galilean."

⁶⁰ Peter replied, "Man, I don't know what you're talking about!" Just as he was speaking, the rooster crowed. ⁶¹ The Lord turned and looked straight at Peter. Then Peter remembered the word the Lord had spoken to him: "Before the rooster crows today, you will disown me three times." ⁶² And he went outside and wept bitterly.

Prayer

Leader

While we denied that we had anything to do with you,
not willing to suffer with you,

All

**You were reminding us that you had always known that we would leave you
but that your love and authority would hold us fast.**

Reader

"Simon, dearest Simon. Satan has asked to shake you all from the faith, like shaking chaff from wheat. But I have prayed for you, that your faith may not fail. And when you have turned back, strengthen your brothers."

Song

“Ah! Holy Jesus”

All

**Ah, holy Jesus, how hast thou offended,
That man to judge thee hath in hate pretended?
By foes derided, by thine own rejected,
O most afflicted.**

**Who was the guilty who brought this upon thee?
Alas, my treason, Jesus, hath undone thee.
‘Twas I, Lord Jesus, I it was denied thee:
I crucified thee.**

**For me, kind Jesus, was thine incarnation,
Thy mortal sorrow, and thy life’s oblation:
Thy death of anguish and thy bitter passion,
For my salvation.**

**Therefore, kind Jesus, since I cannot pay thee,
I do adore thee, and will ever pray thee;
Think on thy pity and thy love unswerving,
Not my deserving.**

words: Johann Heermann, 1630; music: Herzliebster Jesu, Johann Cruger, 1640

Lesson 3

Prosecuted by Your People (Luke 22:63-71)

Reader

⁶³ The men who were guarding Jesus began mocking and beating him. ⁶⁴ They blindfolded him and demanded, “Prophecy! Who hit you?” ⁶⁵ And they said many other insulting things to him.

⁶⁶ At daybreak the council of the elders of the people, both the chief priests and the teachers of the law, met together, and Jesus was led before them. ⁶⁷ “If you are the Messiah,” they said, “tell us.”

Jesus answered, “If I tell you, you will not believe me, ⁶⁸ and if I asked you, you would not answer. ⁶⁹ But from now on, the Son of Man will be seated at the right hand of the mighty God.”

⁷⁰ They all asked, “Are you then the Son of God?”

He replied, “It’s as you’ve said.”

⁷¹ Then they said, “Why do we need any more testimony? We have heard it from his own lips.”

Prayer

Leader

While we lashed out at you for not affirming us,
and hated you for not being the messiah we wanted,

All

**You were merciful and patient toward us,
though we demeaned the Son of God.**

Song

“Ubi Caritas II” (With Translation)

Ensemble

Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est. (Where charity and love are, God is there.)

Simul quoque cum beatis videamus, (And may we with the saints also,)

Glorianter vultum tuum, Christe Deus: (See Thy face in glory, O Christ our God:)

Gaudium quod est immensum, atque probum, (The joy that is immense and good,)

Saecula per infinita saeculorum. Amen. (Unto the ages through infinite ages. Amen.)

Ola Gjeilo, 2013

Lesson 4

Abused by the State (Luke 23:1-25)

Reader

¹ Then the whole assembly rose and led him off to Pilate. ² And they began to accuse him, saying, “We have found this man subverting our nation. He opposes payment of taxes to Caesar and claims to be Messiah, a king.”

³ So Pilate asked Jesus, “Are you the king of the Jews?”

“It’s as you’ve said,” Jesus replied.

⁴ Then Pilate announced to the chief priests and the crowd, “I find no basis for a charge against this man.”

⁵ But they insisted, “He stirs up the people all over Judea by his teaching. He started in Galilee and has come all the way here.”

⁶ On hearing this, Pilate asked if the man was a Galilean. ⁷ When he learned that Jesus was under Herod’s jurisdiction, he sent him to Herod, who was also in Jerusalem at that time.

⁸ When Herod saw Jesus, he was greatly pleased, because for a long time he had been wanting to see him. From what he had heard about him, he hoped to see him perform a sign of some sort. ⁹ He plied him with many questions, but Jesus gave him no answer. ¹⁰ The chief priests and the teachers of the law were standing there, vehemently accusing him. ¹¹ Then Herod and his soldiers ridiculed and mocked him. Dressing him in an elegant robe, they sent him back to Pilate. ¹² That day Herod and Pilate became friends—before this they had been enemies.

Reader

¹³ Pilate called together the chief priests, the rulers and the people, ¹⁴ and said to them, “You brought me this man as one who was inciting the people to rebellion. I have examined him in your presence and have found no basis for your charges against him. ¹⁵ Neither has Herod, for he sent him back to us; as you can see, he has done nothing to deserve death. ¹⁶ Therefore, I will punish him and then release him.” ^[17]

¹⁸ But the whole crowd shouted, “Away with this man! Release Barabbas to us!”

¹⁹ (Barabbas had been thrown into prison for an insurrection in the city, and for murder.)

²⁰ Wanting to release Jesus, Pilate appealed to them again. ²¹ But they kept shouting, “Crucify him! Crucify him!”

²² For the third time he spoke to them: “Why? What crime has this man committed? I have found in him no grounds for the death penalty. Therefore I will have him punished and then release him.”

²³ But with loud shouts they insistently demanded that he be crucified, and their shouts prevailed. ²⁴ So Pilate decided to grant their demand. ²⁵ He released the man who had been thrown into prison for insurrection and murder, the one they asked for, and surrendered Jesus to their will.

Prayer

Leader

While we were just wanting to be left alone, caught up in self-preservation,
not willing to speak against the mob,

All

You were laying down your life to rescue us from our selves.

Song

“Were You There”

All

**Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?**

*African-American Spiritual, 1899, additional lyrics: Nathan Partain, 2018
Arrangement: Nathan Partain and Sarah Majorins, 2022*

Lesson 5

Tortured Unto Death (Luke 23:26-49)

Reader

²⁶ As the soldiers led him away, they seized Simon from Cyrene, who was on his way in from the country, and put the cross on him and made him carry it behind Jesus.

²⁷ A large number of people followed him, including women who mourned and wailed for him. ²⁸ Jesus turned and said to them, “Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me; weep for yourselves and for your children. ²⁹ For the time will come when you will say, ‘Blessed are the childless women, the wombs that never bore and the breasts that never nursed!’ ³⁰ Then

“they will say to the mountains, “Fall on us!”
and to the hills, “Cover us!””

³¹ For if people do these things when the tree is green, what will happen when it is dry?”

Song

“Were You There”

All

**Were you there when they stripped him of his clothes?
Were you there when they stripped him of his clothes?
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they stripped him of his clothes?**

*African-American Spiritual, 1899, additional lyrics: Nathan Partain, 2018
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Reader

³² Two other men, both criminals, were also led out with him to be executed. ³³ When they came to the place called the Skull, they crucified him there, along with the criminals—one on his right, the other on his left. ³⁴ Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing.” And they divided up his clothes by casting lots.

³⁵ The people stood watching, and the rulers even sneered at him. They said, “He saved others; let him save himself if he is God’s Messiah, the Chosen One.”

³⁶ The soldiers also came up and mocked him. They offered him wine vinegar ³⁷ and said, “If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself.”

³⁸ There was a written notice above him, which read: THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS.

Prayer

Leader

While we treated you like an object and nailed your body to a wooden post,

All

**You pleaded for our forgiveness,
knowing that we had no idea what we were actually doing.**

Song

“Were You There”

All

**Were you there when they mocked the King of kings?
Were you there when they mocked the King of kings?
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they mocked the King of kings?**

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Lesson 5

Tortured Unto Death (Luke 23:26-49)

Reader

³⁹ One of the criminals who hung there hurled insults at him: “Aren’t you the Messiah? Save yourself and us!”

⁴⁰ But the other criminal rebuked him. “Don’t you fear God,” he said, “since you are under the same sentence? ⁴¹ We are punished justly, for we are getting what our deeds deserve. But this man has done nothing wrong.”

⁴² Then he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.”

⁴³ Jesus answered him, “Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise.”

Prayer

Leader

While we were dying, with no hope but to believe,

All

**You were forgiving us and receiving us
and ready to share your glory.**

Song

“Were You There”

All

**Were you there when our sin on him was laid?
Were you there when our sin on him was laid?
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble.
Were you there when our sin on him was laid?**

Were you there when he washed us in his grace?

*African-American Spiritual, 1899, additional lyrics: Nathan Partain, 2018
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Reader

⁴⁴ It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, ⁴⁵ for the sun stopped shining. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two. ⁴⁶ Jesus called out with a loud voice, “Father, into your hands I commit my spirit.” When he had said this, he breathed his last.

⁴⁷ The centurion, seeing what had happened, praised God and said, “Surely this was a righteous man.” ⁴⁸ When all the people who had gathered to witness this sight saw what took place, they beat their breasts and went away. ⁴⁹ But all those who knew him, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things.

Song

“Into thine Hand (Psalm 31:1-5)”

Ensemble

*In thee, O Lord, I trust;
let me ne'er be ashamed:
deliver me in thy righteousness.
Bow down thine ear to me;*

*Into thine hand I commit my spirit:
Into thine hand I commit my spirit:
thou hast redeemed me,*

*Be thou my strong rock,
For a house defend and save me
For thou my rock and fortress;
for thine name lead me, and guide.*

*Into thine hand I commit my spirit:
Into thine hand I commit my spirit:
thou hast redeemed me,*

*O Lord God of truth.
O Lord God of truth.
O Lord God of truth.
O Lord God of truth*

Adrian Pumphrey, 2023

Homily

Ben Reed

Lesson 6

Burial (Luke 23:50-56)

Reader

⁵⁰ Now there was a man named Joseph, a member of the Council, a good and upright man, ⁵¹ who had not consented to their decision and action. He came from the Judean town of Arimathea, and he himself was waiting for the kingdom of God. ⁵² Going to Pilate, he asked for Jesus' body. ⁵³ Then he took it down, wrapped it in linen cloth and placed it in a tomb cut in the rock, one in which no one had yet been laid. ⁵⁴ It was Preparation Day, and the Sabbath was about to begin.

⁵⁵ The women who had come with Jesus from Galilee followed Joseph and saw the tomb and how his body was laid in it. ⁵⁶ Then they went home and prepared spices and perfumes. But they rested on the Sabbath in obedience to the commandment.

Song

"There is a Fountain Filled with Blood"

All

**There is a fountain filled with blood drawn from Emmanuel's veins;
And sinners plunged beneath that flood lose all their guilty stains.
Lose all their guilty stains, lose all their guilty stains;
And sinners plunged beneath that flood lose all their guilty stains.**

**The dying thief rejoiced to see that fountain in his day;
And there have I, though vile as he, washed all my sins away.
Wash all my sins away, wash all my sins away;
And there have I, though vile as he, washed all my sins away.**

**E'er since, by faith, I saw the stream Thy flowing wounds supply,
Redeeming love has been my theme, and shall be till I die.
And shall be till I die, and shall be till I die;
Redeeming love has been my theme, and shall be till I die.**

**When this poor lisp'ing stamm'ring tongue Lies silent in the grave,
Then in a nobler, sweeter song I'll sing Thy pow'r to save:
I'll sing Thy pow'r to save, I'll sing Thy pow'r to save;
Then in a nobler, sweet-er song I'll sing Thy pow'r to save.**

words: William Cowper, 1772

Prayer of Sending

from 1 John 4:9-10

Leader This is how God showed his love among us:
He sent his one and only Son into the world
that we might live through him.

All **This is what real love is.
Not that we loved God
but that he loved us
and sent his son
as our peacemaking sacrifice.**

Song

"The Lord's Prayer"

Ensemble *Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name!
Thy Kingdom come!
They will be done on earth,
as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us,
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
Amen.*

Tavener, 1982

Benediction

Nice to Meet You

We're glad you're here and we'd love to get to know you better. Please help us do that by filling out whatever information you are comfortable sharing below. *Tear it off and put it in the offering plate, or bring it to the Welcome Desk in the back of the sanctuary for a small gift!* We'll be in touch.

I AM A...

- 1st/2nd-time Guest Out-of-Town Guest
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FIRST & LAST NAME

- Male Female

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