

You are welcome to stay in the sanctuary to meditate and pray after the service. When you are ready to leave, please exit quietly to respect the meditation time of others.

The Community Good Friday service sponsored by the Newton Ministerial Alliance will take place on Friday, March 25, 7:00 PM at First United Methodist Church, 801 N Main, Newton.

Come and celebrate Easter this Sunday, March 27. The Caregiving and Membership Commission will be serving cinnamon rolls and drinks from 8:45 to 9:15 AM in the Fellowship Hall. Sunday School will start at 9:15 AM. We will gather for our worship service at 10:30 AM. We look forward to a time of praising and rejoicing in the light of the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

*Tonight's service was adapted from "The Cloth of Jesus" written by Karen Schellenberg of Portage Mennonite Church in Portage la Prairie, Manitoba, Canada. Used with permission.

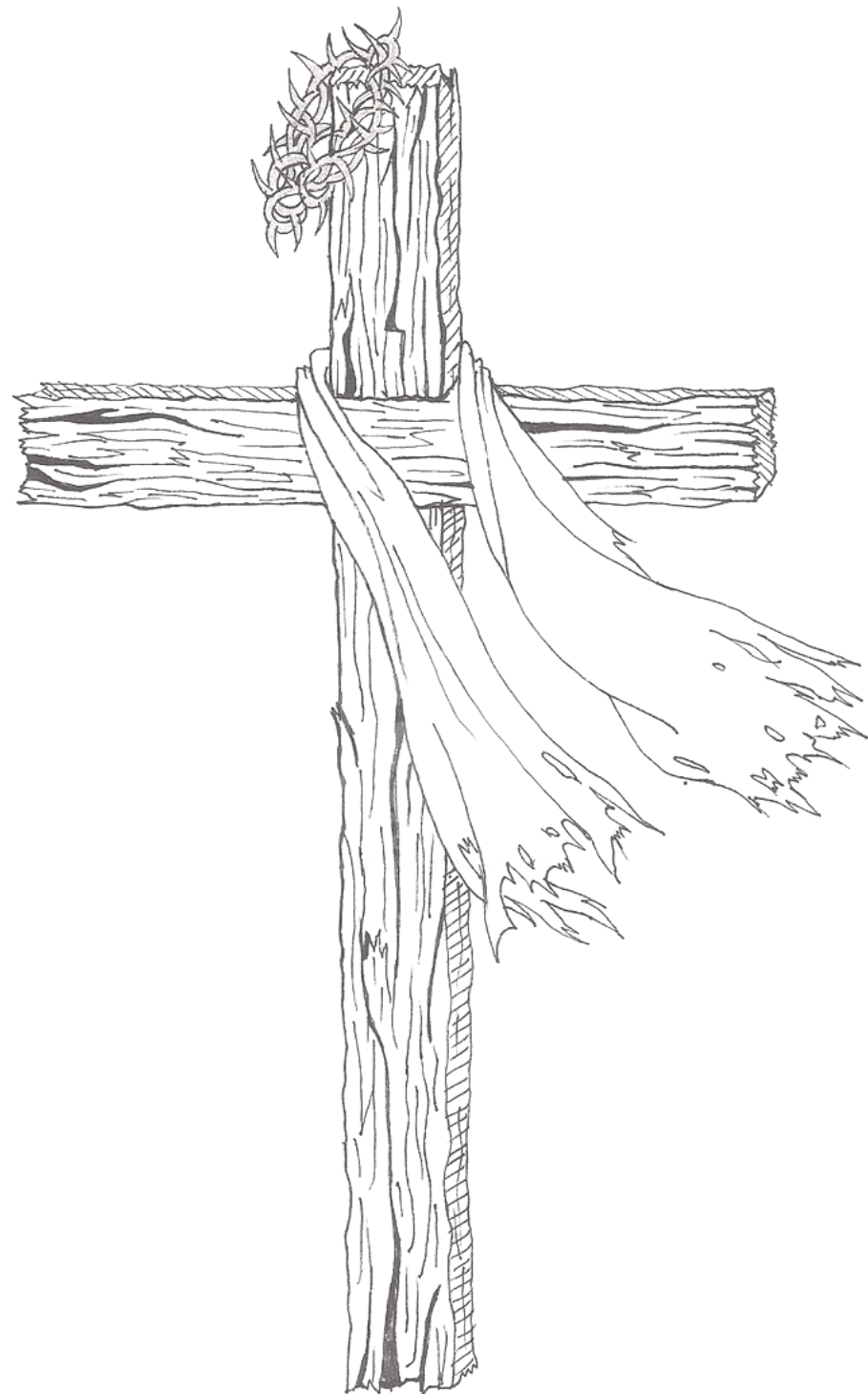
Communion servers: June Thomsen, Dana Neff, Cindy Unruh

Chorister: Pastor Kay Schroeder

Sound: Graham Unruh

Lights: Eric Murphy

Planners: Worship Commission members: Brent Voran, chair; Jyl Ewy, Rachel Unruh, Dave Wiebe, Pastor Kay Schroeder.



Maunder Thursday The Cloth of Jesus

Written by Karen Schellenberg*

First Mennonite Church, Newton, KS

March 24, 2016, 7:00 PM

Gathering music..... Jyl Ewy

Choral gathering song: *There is a balm in Gilead*

Gathering words..... Carol Entz

Song: *The Old Rugged Cross*..... Men's Ensemble

Prayer..... Pastor Anita Kehr

Words of introduction

Scripture: Luke 2:1-7..... Otis Unruh

Prayer

Hymn: *While shepherds watched their flocks*..... *H 196
(stanzas 1-4)

Cloth of Jesus: His Robe

Scripture: Mark 5:24-34..... Elena Wiebe

Monologue..... Penny Dorado

Hymn: *By Peter's house* (Congregation joins on refrain)..... H 378

Cloth of Jesus: Cloaks on the Path

Scripture: Mark 11:1-10..... Dave Wiebe

Prayer

Hymn: *Hosanna, loud hosanna*..... H 238
(stanza 1 only)

Cloth of Jesus: Towel

Scripture: John 13:1-20..... Rachel Unruh

Hymn: *Jesus took a towel* (Congregation joins on refrain)..... H 449

Prayer

Scripture: Isaiah 53:2-6..... Brent Voran

Choir anthem: *Devotion* by Beck

Cloth of Jesus: Prophecy Fulfilled

Scripture: Romans 6:5-11..... June Thomsen

Service of Communion

Prayer of confession..... Pastor Joel Schroeder

Symbolic act of confessing sin

Observing communion

Choir anthem: *Here is Love* Arr. Wheatley

Prayer of thanksgiving

Hymn: *Were you there when they crucified my Lord?*..... H 257
(stanza 1 only)

Scripture: John 19:16-25..... Rannie Goering

Cloth of Jesus: His Tunic

Hymn tune #257: *Were you there when they gambled for his clothes?*

Prayer

Scripture: Mark 15:33-39..... Sean Claassen

Hymn tune #257: *Were you there when the curtain tore in two?*

Scripture: Mark 15:42-47..... Kara Schmidt

Hymn tune #257: *Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?*