

GOOD FRIDAY



INDEPENDENCE PRESBYTERIAN

THE OLD STONE CHURCH OF INDEPENDENCE

You shall break them with a rod of iron, and dash them in pieces of a potter's vessel.



God, I don't know how to pray. Here I am, in the dark, without words.

Praying with need so deep I can hardly feel it or say it.

Praying though prayer feels hopeless.

~ from Good Enough

GATHERING

All gather in silence.

OPENING SENTENCES

I will tell of the decree of the Lord:

You shall break them with a rod of iron,
and dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel.

My mouth is dried up like broken pottery,
and my tongue sticks to my jaws.
you lay me in the dust of death.

Christ Jesus bore our sins in his body on the cross
so that we might die to sin and live for righteousness.
Blessed is the name of the Lord.

PRELUDE

JOE STERN

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

The screens will not be used in today's service. Please use your hymnals for the music.

RESPONSE

LAMB OF GOD

GTG #603

Trad. liturgical text

AGNUS DEI (Vasile)

THE PASSION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO JOHN

After each passage, we will collectively sing a verse from the hymns

GOSPEL

THE BETRAYAL AND ARREST OF JESUS

JOHN 18:1-11

RESPONSE

THIS IS THE NIGHT

GTG #206 Verse 1

GOSPEL

JESUS BEFORE THE HIGH PRIEST

18:12-14

RESPONSE

THIS IS THE NIGHT

Verse 2

GOSPEL

PETER DENIES JESUS

18:15-18

RESPONSE

THIS IS THE NIGHT

Verse 3

GOSPEL

THE HIGH PRIEST QUESTIONS JESUS

18:19-24

RESPONSE	THIS IS THE NIGHT	<i>Verse 4</i>
GOSPEL	PETER DENIES JESUS AGAIN	18:25-27
RESPONSE	THIS IS THE NIGHT	<i>Verse 5</i>
GOSPEL	JESUS BEFORE PILATE	18:28-38A
RESPONSE	WERE YOU THERE	GTG #228 <i>Verse 1</i>
GOSPEL	JESUS SENTENCED TO DEATH	18:38B-19:16A
RESPONSE	WERE YOU THERE	<i>Verse 2</i>
GOSPEL	THE CRUCIFIXION OF JESUS	19:16B-30
RESPONSE	WERE YOU THERE	<i>Verse 3</i>
GOSPEL	JESUS' SIDE IS PIERCED	19:31-37
RESPONSE	WERE YOU THERE	<i>Verse 4</i>
GOSPEL	THE BURIAL OF JESUS	19:38-42
RESPONSE	WERE YOU THERE	<i>Verse 5</i>

SOLEMN REPROACHES OF THE CROSS

After each reproach, the congregation may respond:

...but you have made a cross for your savior

Holy God,

Holy and mighty,

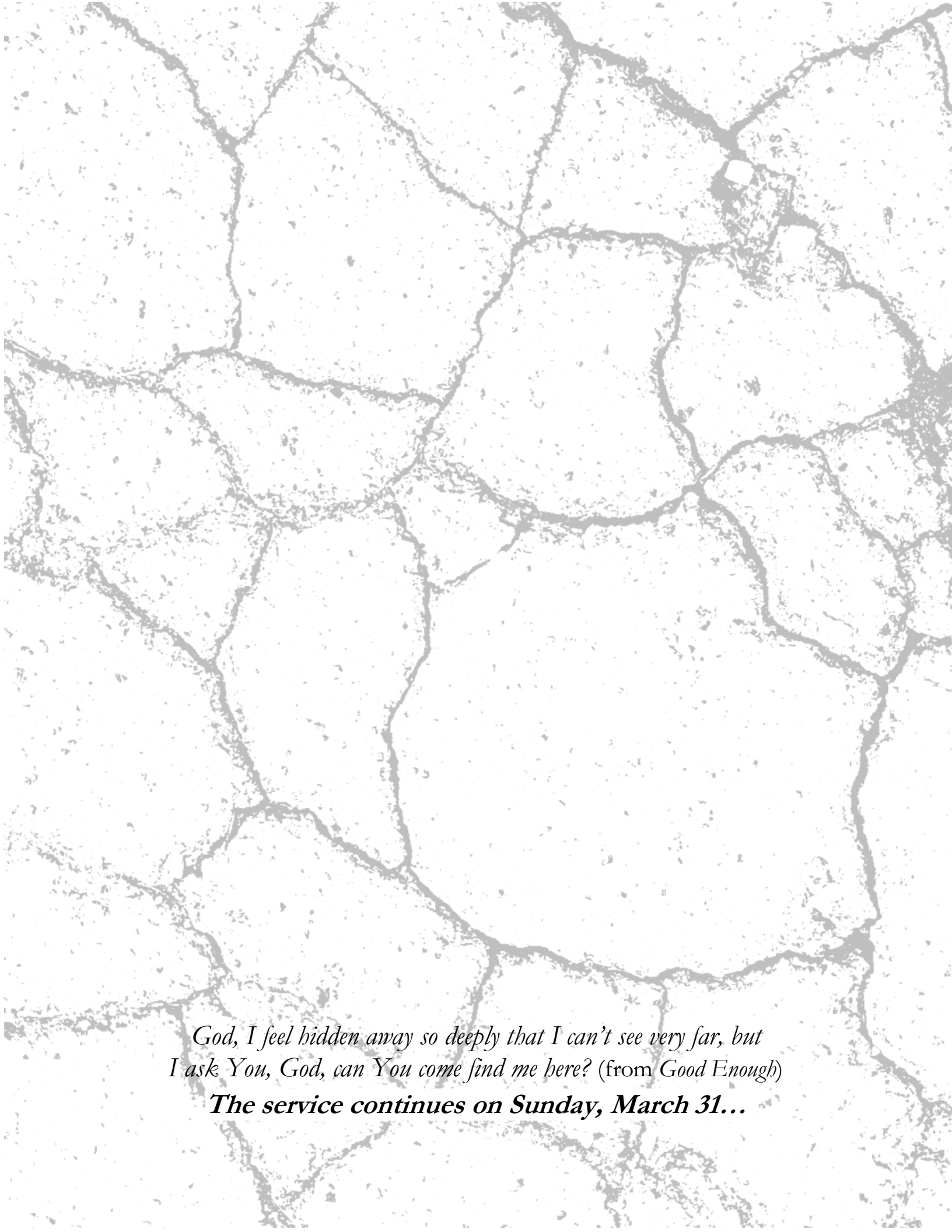
Holy immortal One,

have mercy on us.

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INSTRUMENTAL

All depart in silence.



*God, I feel hidden away so deeply that I can't see very far, but
I ask You, God, can You come find me here? (from Good Enough)*

The service continues on Sunday, March 31...