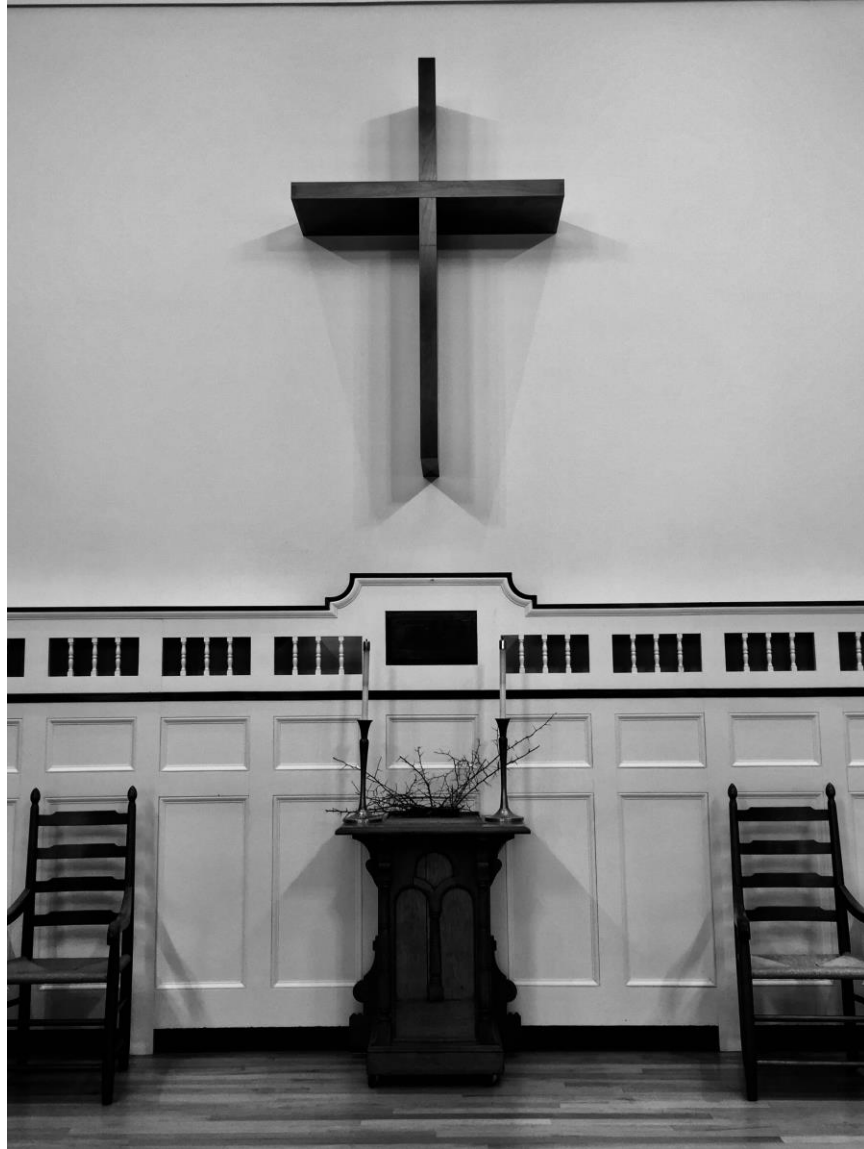


Plymouth Congregational United Church of Christ Christ's Seven Last Words from the Cross

March 30, 2018

7:00 p.m.

A Just Peace Church
An Open and Affirming Congregation
A God is Still Speaking Congregation



Our faith is 2000 years old; our thinking isn't.

A compassionate community, intentionally inclusive, openly searching, joyfully serving in the way of Christ

Silent Meditation

Wonder

“Now Listen:
Death is
not real
unless you
neglect to
leave life
behind.

~ Meister Eckhart's *Book of the Heart*,
Jon M. Sweeney & Mark S. Burrows

Bell Tolling

Introit

“He Never Said a Mumbalin’ Word”

Lloyd Larson

*Gathering

**Indicates congregation standing*

One: We gather at the feet of the cross tonight, we are here to remember.

All: We meet – friends, strangers, mourners – to keep alive the memory of Jesus’ suffering on the cross.

One: We come together to remember how Jesus stayed true to his faith till the very end.

All: We meet – believers, seekers, doubters – to keep alive the memory of Jesus’ death on the cross.

One: We are here to remember how costly peace, love, and justice are.

All: We meet – sinners, saints, prodigal children – to face the darkness of this night and keep alive the hope for Easter morning.

Hymn

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

Blk#224

The First Word

Luke 23:34

Rev. Paulo G. França

“Forgive them, Father. They do not know what they are doing.”

Silence

Music for Reflection

The Second Word

Luke 23:43

Rev. Robert Curry

“I promise you that today you will be in paradise with me”

Silence

Song

"Jesus Remember Me"

(sing twice)

Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your king - dom.

The first instance of the song is written on two staves. The top staff is in treble clef and the bottom staff is in bass clef. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 3/4. The melody consists of eighth and quarter notes, with lyrics placed below the notes.

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The second instance of the song is identical to the first, also written on two staves (treble and bass clef) in the same key signature and time signature.

The Third Word

John 19:26-27

Rev. Bill Torrey

"He is your son; she is your mother"

Silence

Choir Anthem

"God So Loved the World"

John Stainer (1840-1901)

The Fourth Word

Matthew 27:46

Rev. Michael Carrier

"My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?"

Silence

Music for Reflection

The Fifth Word

John 19:28

Rev. Paulo G. França

"I am thirsty"

Silence

Music for Reflection

The Sixth Word

John 19:30

Rev. Al Mather

"It is finished"

Silence

Music for Reflection

The Seventh Word

Luke 23:46

Bev Newton

“Father, into your hands I place my spirit”

Silence

Song

“Were You There?”

Depart in Silence

The Reverend Paulo G. França, Minister
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