# Sunday Worship

# MESSAGE of the Messiah

The Gospel of Mark

# Jesus Before Pilate Mark 15:1-20

# April 2, 2023, Palm Sunday

Today, as we read of Jesus' trial, we'll see how Jesus didn't meet the expectations of those who encountered him. This will lead Jesus to the cross. Perhaps this seems like the story of Pilate, or Herod, or the religious leaders, or even the mob mentality. What we need to see is the sovereign hand of God running throughout this entire passage. We can thank God that He followed through and accomplished all his purposes.



# Order Of Worship



#### Welcome and Announcements

#### Call to Worship

Psalm 118:1-4

### Songs of Praise

King of Kings Mighty to Save

#### Confession of Faith

#### Heidelberg Catechism #21

Q. What is true faith?

A. True faith is not only a sure knowledge by which I hold as true all that God has revealed to us in Scripture; it is also a wholehearted trust, which the Holy Spirit creates in me by the gospel, that God has freely granted, not only to others but to me also,

forgiveness of sins, eternal righteousness, and salvation. These are gifts of sheer grace, granted solely by Christ's merit.

### Offering

### Song of Declaration

O Come to the Altar

#### Confession of Sin

Holy Father, we confess that we may approach you with our mouths and our lips, when our hearts are not in worship. We confess that we offer to you that which costs us little. Though you are a great King, we often bring to you the leftovers of our time, energy, gifts, and worship. We have neglected your commands when it is inconvenient for us to keep them. We have ignored your laws when it causes us to lose our ease. We have disregarded our neighbors' needs and wondered aloud why other people do not meet our needs. O Father, have mercy on us! Forgive us of our many debts! Cleanse us and give us the mind and heart of Jesus, who came not to be served but to serve and to give His life a ransom for many. In His name, and for His sake, we come to you. Amen.

#### Assurance of Pardon

Isaiah 55:6-9

## Children's Message

#### Sermon

#### Jesus Before Pilate

Mark 15:1-20 Pastor James Brignac

Communion

### Song of Response

Graves Into Gardens

Benediction

# Sermon Notes

#### Mistaken Identity

Why did the religious leaders hate Jesus?

Mark 15:1

How does Luke 2:32 help us understand the what the religious leaders wanted to accomplish?

Mark 14:61-64

How do we see the same issue of misunderstanding the person and work of Jesus today?

#### Mistaken Priorities

Who was Pilate and what do we know about him? How does this help understand his actions?

Does Pilate find guilt in Jesus? How does Jesus respond?

Mark 15:2, John 18:36 John 18:38, John 19:4, John 19:6

How does Pilate attempt to placate the crowd?

Mark 15:15, Mark 15:17

#### Mistaken Allegiance

# What ultimately leads to Pilate sentencing Jesus to death?

John 19:12

What reality does Acts 2:23 make clear regarding the death of Jesus?

John 19:6-7

What was the mission of Jesus?

# **Announcements**



# CONGREGATIONAL **MEETING**



Immediately after service on April 2. Agenda is to vote on particularization.



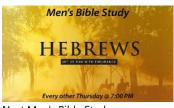
At Waypoint Church



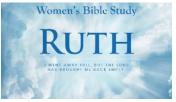
Sunday Evenings 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM At Waypoint Church



Multiple groups are available. Contact Pastor James to get connected



Next Men's Bible Study Thursday, April 6, 2023 7:00 PM



Next Women's Bible Study Wednesday, April 5, 2023 7:00 PM



Every Friday at 8:00 AM via Zoom meeting

# **Discussion Questions**

- 1. Have you ever met one of your "heroes?" How was that experience?
- 2. How should we respond to someone saying I can't believe in a Jesus because He isn't what I want or expect from a savior?
- 3. Jesus says we cannot serve two masters. What are some of the main idols in your heart fighting to usurp God?
- 4. Read John 18:36. What does it mean when Jesus says, "my kingdom is not of this world?"
- 5. Read Acts 2:23. Do you find it difficult to believe this reality?
- 6. How can you prepare your heart for Holy Week?