

FBC Drama Ministry Presents

PASSION
PARALLEL

Good Friday
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7:00 pm



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"A Better Exchange"

When Christ asks us to surrender ourselves,
To offer sacrifice, submit to change
Our good's in His mind, and emptied heart-shelves
Allow Him to give a better exchange.

Greed replaced by jar of alabaster,
Costly perfume to anoint the Lord's feet.
Violence traded for Peace of the Master,
Building a nest, where a Dove takes His seat.

Heart locked up tight with prison ring of keys,
Unlocked, can paint with freedom and vigor.
Washing hands of responsibilities
Turns being served to serving with rigor.

Temper's scourge tempered as Christ with love bled,
Inspires songs in one raised from the dead.
Crown of thorny words, Christ puts 'pon His head,
Bestowing a flow'ry crown in its stead.

Materialism leaves empty hands,
Clasped now by Christ, in whose embrace we stand.
There's freedom in surrender, understand;
Submit—partake of the good God has planned.

-by a "Coat" now clothed in Christ

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Service Order

*Please join the music team & characters in singing throughout the play.
Lyrics will be projected.*

Presentation of Passion Parallel

Opening Song

"Via Dolorosa" - Leeland

~Money Bag~

"Albaster" - Rend Collective

~Club~

"Jesus Paid it All" - Traditional Hymn

~Ring of Keys~

"All I Am" - Phil Wickham

~Basin & Pitcher~

"Take My Life" - Chris Tomlin

~Scourge~

"Redeemed" - Big Daddy Weave

~Crown of Thorns~

"At the Foot of the Cross" - Kathryn Scott

~Coat~

(No Music)

Closing Song

"I Surrender All" - Traditional Hymn

Invitation to Communion

Congregants will proceed to the front to receive the Communion elements. You are invited to bring your card to surrender at the foot of the cross.

Final Song

"It is Well" - Traditional Hymn

Congregants are asked to leave quietly after the closing hymn and return to join us for the Easter morning celebration. Anyone who desires to linger in prayer is invited to do so. Intercessors are available to pray with you.

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The Surrendered

Jasmine Ninni ("Moneybag")

Jasmine is on a journey to build a better connection with Jesus and prays that He will be the light to help her out of a dark hole. She also prays that the Lord will help and guide her through all of the troubles, thoughts, and feelings that are shielding her from thinking there is good in this world. At the moment, she is blessed to be a part of her first church play with a wonderful cast and hopes to continue being involved with this ministry in the future.

Noah Parish ("Club")

Noah has found that growing up in a world where the world hates Christians—and where Christians don't always show the true love of God—has been difficult. The constant spiritual battles, church hypocrisy, and struggle with sin plagued Noah with anger, disgust, and anxiety at the world. Noah struggled to show Christ's love to others, as well as accept it for himself. Through God's grace and love, however, Noah has been able to conquer some of the things that come with a broken world, while constantly trying to grow. Now, with a refined faith, Noah plans to share his faith and back it up in all of the activities in which he participates.

Kristy Parish ("Ring of Keys")

Kristy has grown in her faith by realizing it was about a relationship with Jesus and not just a ritual. In her teenage years she struggled with severe stomach pain that would require ER visits. The doctors told her she would always have these struggles because it was just part of her personality. She realized that she needed to stop trying to please people and focus on pleasing God. Once she came to this realization, she has not had any ER visits for stomach pain since. Praise God!

The Surrendered

Josiah Ackley ("Radio Host")

Though throughout the years Josiah has enjoyed comedic writing and improv accents, he has longer still recognized his Savior as the only true Voice worth listening to. Having been involved in serving God through ministry outreach to hospitals, shelters, and prisons alike, he knows well how vital the love of humor and beauty can be in a world increasingly focused on tragedy. As Jesus has exchanged his sorrows for true and lasting joy, Josiah now works to do the same for others no matter where or when, so that through his words others can hear the Voice of the One who speaks joy into sadness and turns mourning to gladness. To Him be all praise and glory forever, amen!

Drew Toucher ("Reader")

As a teenager, Drew struggled with a great deal of anger. Through much prayer and by the grace of God, he was delivered of the anger. Jesus has given him a love and patience for people that can only be credited to Him. The Lord shaped Drew to become a loving husband and father, energetic and devoted youth pastor, and winsome, passionate senior pastor who is eager to "make a big, fat dent in this world for God's kingdom." To God be the glory!

Shane Flood ("Jesus")

Though life has already sent many challenges to seventeen-year-old Shane, he tries to maintain a gentle and giving spirit, joining his mother and family in serving the community and pursuing technical training on HVAC to enter a hands-on field that will help others. In 2015, he and his mother were in a bad car accident that took a lot of recovery and caused some continuing health issues. After the accident, Shane really started to seek out meaning and a higher power in his life. He has heard the call to God, and after meeting Christians who see his potential, he is finally seeing a path for himself with God who has been there all along!

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Bonnie Gonzalez ("Basin & Pitcher")

As a child and through her early twenties Bonnie was indifferent to the things of God. She was on the fast-track to a career in the field of psychology. At the age of twenty-seven, after some unfortunate personal events, she encountered Jesus when some friends invited her to their church. Jesus captured her heart, and her life was never the same! Her indifference turned into a desire to live a life of serving the Master by raising her family and devoting herself to a ministry of helping others.

Ron Dietrich ("Scourge")

Adopted into a highly dysfunctional family, Ron grew up very angry. Being exposed to things that no child should ever see pushed him toward drugs and the occult by age twelve. By twenty, he wound up in prison, spending over five years there in total. He was an "associate" of the Aryan Brotherhood. Ron got clean in 1995, remaining so until 2008, but pain medication caused a relapse. He struggled over the next few years to stay clean, until he finally achieved it in 2013, by God's grace. Ron rededicated his life to Christ and was baptized at FBC, and continues to serve wherever he can in the church and community. He desires to live out the love of Christ that lives in his heart! Ron relies on Jesus daily, knowing he is still a work in progress and always will be until he exchanges this body for a new one! In a visual representation of Christ's redemption of Ron's life, the tattoo Ron had etched on his back in prison he chose to have covered with the face of Jesus. It includes the final word Christ spoke from the cross: "Tetelestai!" "It is finished!" Amen!

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~ IT IS FINISHED! ~ AMEN! ~ PAID IN FULL! ~ COMPLETE! ~

The Surrendered

Brynn Connolly ("Crown of Thorns")

After she accepted Jesus at a young age, Brynn always loved worshiping Him through music. She would even write her own songs to sing to! As of the previous August, while she was at camp, Brynn heard a calling from the Lord to enter ministry, and she looks forward to Him showing her where that will lead.

Sara Gummo ("Coat")

Sara has been blessed never to know a day without Jesus, though her zeal had waxed and waned until a friend's rejection awakened her to the way she treated Jesus like a foul-weathered friend, turning to Him primarily when in need. Despite her renewed determination to pursue Christ in seminary, she still struggled to rest in the embrace of God's love. Beginning in the fall 2022 in conjunction with steps of obedience, the Lord has answered years of prayers for inner transformation, resulting in the most glorious spiritual renaissance for which she daily praises her precious Savior and Friend!

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Communion Guidance for Kids

At Fleetwood Bible Church, we strive to uphold the authority of parents in the lives of their children, so parents decide when their children possess an appropriate understanding of the holiness and importance of Communion. Communion is a Covenant meal only for believers - individuals who have committed their lives to the Lord Jesus Christ. True Christian believers can be old or young in age. If your child has personally repented of his/her sins, proclaimed that Jesus is the Lord and Master of his/her life, and understands that the Bread and the Cup represent Christ's sacrifice in his/her place, you may feel free to allow them to partake in Communion.

