

An Open & Affirming Congregation



*"Pieta"*Michelangelo Buonarroti (1499)

March 29, 2024 7:30 pm

The Music Ministry of Friends Congregational Church Presents

Stabat Mater

by Paul Mealor

Trent Williams

STRIPPING OF THE SANCTUARY

GOSPEL READING

Mark 15:1-20a, 22-27, 33-37

Dan De Leon

STABAT MATER
by Paul Mealor
Friends Congregational Church Chancel Choir
and Chamber Orchestra
Chris Hoffman, conductor

I. STABAT MATER DOLOROSA

At the cross her station keeping, stood the mournful mother weeping, close to her son to the last. Through her heart, his sorrow sharing, all his bitter anguish bearing, now at length the sword has passed. Can the human heart refrain from partaking in her pain, in that mother's pain untold? For the sins of his own nation, she saw Jesus wracked with torment, all with scourges rent. She beheld her tender child, saw him hang in desolation, 'till his spirit forth he sent.

II. EIA MATER, FONS AMORIS

Cathy Hansen, soprano

O thou mother, fount of love, touch my spirit from above, make my heart with thine accord. Make me feel as thou hast felt; make my soul to glow and melt with the love of Christ my Lord. Holy mother, pierce me through, in my heart each wound renew of my saviour crucified. Let me share with thee his pain, who for all my sins was slain, who for me in torments died.

III. VIRGO VIRGINUM PRÆCLARA

Virgin of all virgins blest, listen to my fond request: let me share thy grief divine; let me, to my latest breath, in my body bear the death of that dying son of thine. Wounded with his every wound, steep my soul 'till it hath swooned, in his very blood away; be to me, O Virgin, nigh, lest in flames I burn and die, in his awful judgement day.)

IV. CHRISTE, CUM SIT HINC EXIRE

Christ, when thou shalt call me hence, by thy mother my defense, by thy cross my victory; while my body here decays, may my soul thy goodness praise, safe in paradise with thee.

Depart in Silence

Offering plates are available in the narthex, as you depart the sanctuary, if you would like to give a love offering.

The Friends Congregational Church Chancel Choir

Chris Hoffman, conductor

Soprano

June Baker
Ericalynn Cannon
Hayley Coltharp
Tami Dudo
Hallie Gammon
Christine Gravelle
Cathy Hansen
Cecelia Hawkins
Anne Nichols
Holly Scott

Tenor

Andy Ambrus Matt Hoffman Ronnie Holz David Manuel

Alto

Iennie Adams

Sue Ambrus
Courtney Angel
Mo Bertrand
Nancy Bertsch
Kim Cabrera
Brooke Dooley
Kim Dooley
Linda Fitzwater
Clarissa Kennedy
Sally Manthei
Kathy Miller
Abigail Moody
Diane Simpson
Charity Stokes

Bass

Tyler Baker-Wilkinson Andy Tag Kenya Terrell Wolfgang Verdegaal Tom Vogel

Chamber Orchestra

Violin I

Mario Monsreal Megan Daum Weihsueh Chiu

Violin II

Bronius Motekaitis Ruthie De Leon

Viola

Paul Duston Amy Palma Violoncello

Andrew Nguyen Sasha Ostrovsky

Double Bass

Porto Ortiz-Arrieta

Harp

Ayren Huslig

EASTER EVENTS

EASTER EGG HUNT, MARCH 31: After the Ham service, Christian Ed will host the Easter Egg Hunt at the church. Please meet up in the double classroom with a basket. A potluck will follow after the egg hunt.

EASTER FINGER FOOD POTLUCK, MARCH 31: Please join us in the sanctuary following the IIam Easter service for a finger food potluck. We ask that donated food is able to be eaten without requiring flatware. Drinks will be provided. Direct any questions to Fellowship@friends-ucc.org.

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