

*Good Friday**Call to Worship*

Beloved, we come this day to the heart of the mystery of God's love:

It is a love that seeks not supremacy, but service. It is a love that finds power in humility. It is a love that gives itself freely, even unto death.

Come, see what love our God has for us.

Hymn- #98- "O Sacred Head Now Wounded"

Invitation to Confession

Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death. With the raw honesty of Jesus, let us cry out in confession.

Prayer of Confession

Lord Jesus Christ, our betrayal, denial, and violence paved the way to your cross. We know it is preposterous, in light of our cruelty, to ask anything of you, in light of your pain; but we pray earnestly: Have mercy on us, for we cannot bear the weight of our sin. Save us in your unfathomable love.

*Silent Confession**Assurance of Pardon**Song of Response – Gloria Patri*

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost
As it was in the beginning, it is now and ever shall be
World without end, Amen. Amen.**

Prayer for Illumination

Holy One, our strength in suffering and our hope for salvation, lift up your Word of life and pour out your Spirit of grace so that we may follow faithfully all the way to the cross; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Scripture (The Seven Last Words of Jesus):

- Luke 23:34 - Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing.
- Luke 23:43 - He replied, "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise."
- John 19:26–27 - When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, "Woman, here is your son." Then he said to the disciple, "Here is your mother." And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.
- Mark 15:34 - At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?" which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"
- John 19:28 - After this, when Jesus knew that all was now finished, he said (in order to fulfill the scripture), "I am thirsty."
- John 19:30 - When Jesus had received the wine, he said, "It is finished." Then he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.
- Luke 23:46 - When Jesus had received the wine, he said, "It is finished." Then he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

Meditative Prayer Stations

Offering/Anthem

Hymn (standing)

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*Doxology**Prayers of the People*

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be your name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, And the glory forever. Amen.

Hymn # 92- "Beneath the Cross of Jesus"

Charge & Benediction



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