

ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR GOOD FRIDAY

7:30 P.M.

April 15, 2022

** indicates "stand if you are able." UMH is the blue hymnal. TFWS is the small black book.*

Bold type is an invitation for all to share in the reading.

PRELUDE

Introit *"Mighty to Save"* Insert

GREETINGS

One: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Christ himself bore our sins in his body on the tree.

All: That we might die to sin and to live to righteousness.

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: My God, my God, you are the Holy One!

All: You've been my God since I was in the womb.

You are the one who gave me life.

One: You do not hide your face from me.

All: You listen when I cry out for help.

You are the one who gives me life.

One: Let all who are suffering, honor God.

**All: Let all who remember the sovereign, worship, and praise,
the giver of life.**

One: And together let us pray.

All: Strong Deliverer, Holy God, we offer praise to you in this congregation, because you have heard our cries, you have remembered and answered us. You have been our strength and our hope. With confidence, we enter your holy presence, remembering Jesus who led us to you through the courageous power of his life and the mystery of his death. We draw near with true hearts bent on praising you and living for you, in the name of our brother, who carried the cross, and in the power of the Spirit, who rested upon him. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

SERMON *"Good Friday"* Rev. Jane Kim

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Forgiving God, we speak these words and sing these songs of faith with a confidence we do not always have. We remember times when you answered our prayers, and we remember times when we felt alone, wondering if you even heard us. We know what it is to feel sick in spirit, to follow our own inclinations and wander far away. We are the very ones that Jesus came to find and help. So we put ourselves in your hands, you who make all things whole. God, the giver of life, Jesus, our savior, and the Spirit that carried Jesus's breath back to God upon his death; we rest secure in your mighty love. Amen.

LITANY

One: Come to the cross and feel the weight of the world.

All: We bring the weight of our sins.

One: Come to the cross and feel the weight of the world.

All: We bring the weight of our desertions and our betrayals.

One: Come to the cross and feel the weight of the world. We bring the weight of our accusations and our scorn. Come to the cross and feel the weight of the world.

All: We bring the weight of our lives.

TENTH READING

Mark 15:33-36

The Tenth Candle is Extinguished

ELEVENTH READING

Matthew 27:50-51

The Eleventh Candle is Extinguished

Tonight we grieve because of what our savior suffered for us. Yet, do not despair. There is resurrection on the horizon. Our hope is alive in the promise of new life. We will rejoice on Easter morning in God's astounding answer to the crucifixion. Until then, stay in peace.

You are invited come forward to kneel and pray before the cross

CHORAL ANTHEM *"Were You There"* UMH #288

CUMC Adult Choir

The Christ Candle is Extinguished

PLEASE DEPART IN SILENCE

POSTLUDE *"Amazing Grace"* UMH #378

OUR WORSHIP HAS ENDED

NOW OUR SERVICE BEGINS

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

My friends, Jesus opened up a new and living way to God. Through him, we are cleansed from all regret and wrongdoing. Let us hold onto the confession of our hope, for the God who promises healing and forgiveness is reliable.

All: Thanks be to God. Amen.

WHAT WONDROUS LOVE IS THIS?

Proclamation and Response

FIRST READING

Luke 22:39-53

The First Candle is Extinguished

SECOND READING

John 18:12-14

The Second Candle is Extinguished

***HYMN**

“Beneath the Cross of Jesus” UMH #297

THIRD READING

Luke 22:54b-62

The Third Candle is Extinguished

LITANY (John 18)

One: There is no warmth in the fire.

All: Our blood runs as cold as the night.

One: The one we love is in peril.

All: Our courage blows away like the wind.

One: Strangers recognize our fellowship with Jesus.

All: Our denial pierces the soul like the cock’s crow pierces the dawn.

One: There is no warmth in the fire.

All: Our tears flow as cold as the night.

FOURTH READING

John 18:19-23

The Fourth Candle is Extinguished

FIFTH READING

Matthew 27:1-10

The Fifth Candle is Extinguished

LITANY (Matthew 27)

One: Jesus stands condemned.

All: Wait! Stop this madness.

One: It is too late.

All: We repent of our sin.

One: You have been well paid.

All: We don’t want your blood money.

One: It is yours all the same.

All: Please, stop this madness.

One: It is too late.

SIXTH READING

John 18:33-38

The Sixth Candle is Extinguished

***HYMN**

“Mercy”

Insert

SEVENTH READING

Matthew 27: 15-24

The Seventh Candle is Extinguished

EIGHTH READING

Mathew 27:25-37; John 19:20b-21

The Eight Candle is Extinguished

***HYMN**

“Behold the Lamb”

Insert

NINTH READING

Luke 23:35, 39-43

HYMN

“At the Cry of the First Bird”

words Irish Poetry/music David W. Guion

Paige Hardison – Vocal Soloist

At the cry of the first bird, they began to crucify Thee, O cheek like swan!

It was not right ever to cease lamenting. It was like the parting of day from night.

Ah! Though sore the suffering put upon the body of Mary’s Son,
sorer to Him was the grief that was upon her for His sake.

At the cry of the first bird, they began to crucify Thee, O cheek like swan!

The Ninth Candle is Extinguished

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