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Our Mission Statement:
To show God's love as revealed in Jesus Christ.

Friday, April 18, 2025 at 10:30 a.m.

Good Friday
Communion

***Please stand in body or in spirit.**

Prelude

Words of Welcome

Acknowledging the Territory

Lighting of the Christ & Lenten Candles

Sung Response:

Jesus, Remember Me

VU# 148

**Jesus, remember me
when you come into your kingdom.**

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Call to Worship

L: He was despised and rejected, a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief.

P: **When they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified him.**

L: He was wounded and suffered; he was bruised for our iniquities.

P: **And Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do."**

L: Upon him was the infliction that made us whole, and with his stripes we are healed.

P: **Then Jesus cried out: "Father, into your hands I commit my Spirit."**

L: Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom.

P: Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom.

Opening Prayer (Unison)

A body bruised and battered, pierced by nails and sword, these are the images of this day. O God, how do we approach the man who didn't just 'talk the talk, but walked the walk', a walk which took him to the cross? We come, looking to that very cross for healing and hope, yet on this day, it seems hopeless. Be with us as we struggle and pray. Amen.

****Hymn:***

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

VU# 149

Isaiah 52:13-53:12 He was despised.

Sung Response:

Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble,
tremble, tremble.

Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

First Lenten candle is extinguished.

Psalm 22:1-22 Why have you forsaken me?

VU# 744 (Parts 1 & 2)

Sung Response:

Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?

Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?

Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble,
tremble, tremble.

Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?

Second Lenten candle is extinguished.

****Hymn:***

They Crucified My Lord

VU# 141 (v. 1-3, 5)

Invitation to the Table

The Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer (sung)

VU# 959

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
 your kingdom come, your will be done
 on earth as in heaven.
 Give us today our daily bread.
 Forgive us our sins
 as we forgive those who sin against us.
 Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil
 for the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours,
 now and forever.

Breaking the Bread and Pouring the Cup***Sharing the Bread and Cup***

Luke 23:1-25 Before Pilate and Herod

Sung Response:

Were you there when the sun refused to shine?
 Were you there when the sun refused to shine?
 Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble,
 tremble, tremble.
 Were you there when the sun refused to shine?

Third Lenten candle is extinguished.

Anthem: In Pilate's Court the Saviour Stands

Luke 23:26-49 The crucifixion

Sung Response:

Were you there when they pierced him in the side?
 Were you there when they pierced him in the side?
 Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble,
 tremble, tremble.
 Were you there when they pierced him in the side?

Fourth Lenten candle is extinguished.

Luke 23:50-56 The burial

Sung Response:

Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

**Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble,
tremble, tremble.**

Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

Fifth Lenten candle is extinguished.

Prayer of Separation and Confession

L: The friends of Jesus could not share his distress and his isolation of spirit, in Gethsemane.

P: We hear a call, to be compassionate to those who are going through times of testing.

L: Peter, in the High Priest's courtyard, denied any knowledge of Jesus.

P: We hear a call to speak the truth, especially when it is easier to evade the truth.

L: The disciples hid away at the time of trial and execution.

P: We hear a call to resist the powerful and to stand with the powerless.

L: The cry of Jesus, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"

P: We hear a call to remember that at the moment we feel God's absence most acutely, God is present. (A time of silent reflection.)

L: Amen.

Final Lenten candle is extinguished.

****Hymn:***

Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross

VU# 142

Sending Forth

L: The Cross confronts us.

P: It shows that unrestrained power can lead to death.

L: The Cross invites us

P: To walk the path of Christ which calls for sacrifice.

L: The Cross challenges us,

P: Not just to observe suffering, but to relieve it.

L: The Cross leaves us in awe.

P: The love of God goes beyond all limits.

Sung Response:

Jesus, Remember Me

VU# 148

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Christ Candle is extinguished.

You are asked to leave the church in silence following the sending forth. A blessing will be pronounced on Easter morning. Go in silence, remembering what Jesus gave for us and what His followers were feeling that first Good Friday.

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