Welcome!
We warmly welcome you to this worship service and pray you are blessed by being a part of our service no matter if you are here in person or you are viewing livestream. We are thankful for our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, who blesses us by meeting all our needs each day of the year!

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Good Friday
God demonstrates his own love for us in this:
While we were still sinners,
Christ died for us.
Romans 5:8 (niv)
Good Friday Service  
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April 2, 2021   Noon

“By perversion of justice he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future? For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people.”  
Isaiah 53:8, NRSV

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS  
Chris Curvin

OPENING VOLUNTARY  “Wondrous Love”  
John Behnke

BELL TOLL AND SOLO  “Were You There”  
Spiritual

CALL TO WORSHIP  
Leader:  Who has believed what we have heard? And to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?
People:  Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we account him stricken, struck down by God and afflicted.
Leader:  But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole,
People:  and by his bruises we are healed.

*HYMN  
#218  
“Ah, Holy Jesus”  
HERZLIEBSTER JESU

Ah, Holy Jesus, how hast thou offended,  
that we to judge thee have in hate pretended?
By foes derided, by thine own rejected, O most afflicted!

Who was the guilty? Who brought this upon thee? Alas, my treason, Jesus, hath undone thee. ‘Twas I, Lord Jesus, I it was denied thee; I crucified thee.

For me, kind Jesus, was thine incarnation, thy mortal sorrow, and thy life’s oblation, thy death of anguish and thy bitter passion, for my salvation.

Therefore, kind Jesus, since I cannot pay thee, I do adore thee, and will ever pray thee, think on thy pity and thy love unserving, not my deserving.

CALL TO CONFESSION  
Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION  
Gracious, heavenly Father, time and again we turn to the shadows of sin, and away from the light of your love. Forgive us, Lord. Help us to turn away from the paths of darkness. In your grace, may we draw close to Jesus our Savior, remember his self-sacrificial love expressed in suffering and death, and embrace the salvation that is found in his finished work on the cross. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON  
The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you forgiveness of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. Amen.

APOSTLES’ CREED  
Paul Means

With the whole church, let us confess our faith:

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER  
Paul Means

Our Father, Who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy 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.

ORFF ENSEMBLE  
“Have You Seen?”  
Chris Judah-Lauder
Claire Cantin, Ellis Cantin, Aaron McDermott, Aidan McDermott, Skylar Weidner & Gabby Zimmer

SCRYPTURE READINGS  
Matthew 27:45-54 (NRSV)  
John 19:28-30 (NRSV)

MESSAGE  
“Jesus Crucified and We Call That Day Good Friday?”  
Paul Means, Associate Pastor

*HYMN  
#221  
“O Sacred Head Now Wounded”  
PASION CHORALE

O sacred head, now wounded, with grief and shame weighed down;  
now scornfully surrounded with thorns, thine only crown;  
O sacred head, what glory, what bliss till now was thine!  
Yet, though despised and gory, I joy to call thee mine.

What language shall I borrow to thank thee, dearest friend,  
for this thy dying sorrow, thy pity without end?  
O make me thine forever; and should I fainting be,  
Lord, let me never, never outlive my love to thee.

BENEDICTION