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April 18, 2025 Good Friday

Bold face type indicates congregational responses.

Welcome & Greetings

*Hymn "What Wondrous Love is This"

What wondrous love is this, O my soul! O my soul! What wondrous love is this, O my soul! What wondrous love is this! that Christ should come in bliss to bear the heavy cross for my soul, for my soul, to bear the heavy cross for my soul!

Prayer of Confession (responsively)

Savior of the world, what have you done to deserve this? And what have we done to deserve you? Strung up between criminals, cursed and spat upon, you wait for death, and look for us, for us whose sin has crucified you. To the mystery of undeserved suffering, you bring the deeper mystery of unmerited love. Forgive us for not knowing what we have done; open our eyes to what we are doing now, as, through wood and nails, you disempower our depravity and transform us by your grace. Amen.

Moment of Quiet Reflection

Scripture Reading John 18:1-18 (CEB)

Reflection

Scripture Reading John 18:19-32 (CEB)

Hymn "Were You There?"

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?

Scripture Reading

John 18:33-19:16 (CEB)

Reflection

Scripture Reading

John 19:17-30 (CEB)

Hymn "Were You There?"

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?

Scripture Reading

John 19:31-42 (CEB)

Prayers/The Lord's Prayer (responsively)

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.

Hymn "Were You There?"

I was there when they crucified my Lord. I was there when they crucified my Lord. Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble. I was there when they crucified my Lord.

Blessing

Liturgists: Izzy Hertzog, Carol Keffer, and Judy Spencer Soloist: Nancy McNabb

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