

**OUR MISSION:** *To make new disciples of Jesus Christ*

**OUR VISION:** *To reach out and invite our neighbors to  
Encounter God · Grow in Faith · Serve in Christ's Love*



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# ORDER OF WORSHIP

Good Friday

## \*Responsive Reading:

**Leader:** Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

**People:** We were the hollow echo of hosannas once spoken in love.

**Leader:** Were you in the garden when the disciples fell asleep?

**People:** We were the betrayal in Judas's kiss.

**Leader:** Were you in the courtyard when the cock crowed?

**People:** We were the denial on Peter's lips.

**Leader:** Were you with the powers of this world that dressed Jesus as a king?

**People:** We were the mockery in the crown of thorns.

**Leader:** Were you among the spectators at Golgotha?

**People:** We were the nails that pierced Jesus' hands and feet.

**Leader:** Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

**People:** We were the silence when no bird sang.

## Scripture

First Reading: Luke 22:39-53

Second Reading: John 18:12-14

Third Reading: Luke 22:54b-62

***"Good Friday"***

**UMH 284**

Fourth Reading: John 18:19-24

Fifth Reading: Matthew 27:1-2

***"Go to Dark Gethsemane"***

**UMH 290**

Sixth Reading: Matthew 27:3-10

Seventh Reading: John 18:33-38

Eighth Reading: Matthew 27:13-24

***"What Wondrous Love is This"***

**UMH 292**

Ninth Reading: Matthew 27:26-31

Tenth Reading: John 19:19-22

***"Behold the Savior of Mankind"***

**UMH 293**

Eleventh Reading: Luke 23:35, 39-43

Twelfth Reading: Mark 15:33-36

***"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"***

**UMH 298**

Thirteenth Reading: Matthew 27:50-51

Fourteenth Reading: Mark 15:38-39

## Prayer of Confession

(In unison)

Holy Mystery, our faith stands upon a knife's edge. We long to stand up for what we believe, but it is easier to wash our hands of responsibility and to blame others for our inaction. We yearn to take a principled and courageous stand, but it is easier to defer to the judgements of others and simply go with the crowd. Forgive us, O God, and help us find our courage amidst the dying of the light. Amen