

Good Friday Service  
April 7, 2023 7 pm

<i>Tech team screen share title slide. Tech team stop screen share at 7 pm</i>	
Prelude	Ching-ju Cheng
Welcome	Rev. Angela
<i>Tech team share/display screen</i>	
<p>Litany of Repentance Leader: We gather today in the shadow of the cross.</p> <p><b>All: Evil abounds.</b></p> <p>Leader: Jesus suffers and dies.</p> <p><b>All: We weep.</b></p> <p>Leader: Why have we fallen asleep when he asked us to keep watch and pray?</p> <p><b>All: We repent of our apathy.</b></p> <p><i>(new slide)</i></p> <p>Leader: Why have we failed to acknowledge Jesus?</p> <p><b>All: We repent of compartmentalizing our faith.</b></p> <p>Leader: Why do we reject the Good News sent by God?</p> <p><b>All: We repent of the ways we continue to crucify God's love.</b></p> <p>Leader: Lord, have mercy upon us.</p> <p><b>All: Christ, have mercy upon us.</b></p>	Rev. Angela
<p>Hymn "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" TFWS #2193, sing twice Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place;</p>	Ching-ju Cheng

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<p>Lord, listen to your children praying, send us love, send us power, send us grace.</p>	
<p>Prayer in Gethsemane: Matthew 26:36-46</p> <p>Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane, and he said to his disciples, "Sit here while I go over there and pray." <sup>37</sup> He took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee and began to be grieved and agitated. <sup>38</sup> Then he said to them, "My soul is deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and stay awake with me." <sup>39</sup> And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed, "My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me, yet not what I want but what you want."</p> <p><i>(new slide)</i></p> <p><sup>40</sup> Then he came to the disciples and found them sleeping, and he said to Peter, "So, could you not stay awake with me one hour? <sup>41</sup> Stay awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak." <sup>42</sup> Again he went away for the second time and prayed, "My Father, if this cannot pass unless I drink it, your will be done." <sup>43</sup> Again he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were heavy. <sup>44</sup> So leaving them again, he went away and prayed for the third time, saying the same words. <sup>45</sup> Then he came to the disciples and said to them, "Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? Now the hour is at hand, and the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. <sup>46</sup> Get up, let us be going. Look, my betrayer is at hand."</p>	<p>Reader</p>
<p><i>Stop Sharing</i></p>	
<p>Reflection</p>	<p>Rev. Angela</p>
<p><i>Share Screen</i></p>	
<p>Hymn "Abide with Me" UMH #700, vs. 1-3</p> <p>1. Abide with me; fast falls the eventide; the darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide. When other helpers fail and comforts flee, Help of the helpless, O abide with me.</p> <p><i>(new slide)</i></p>	<p>Ching-ju Cheng</p>

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<p>2. Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day; earth's joys grow dim; its glories pass away; change and decay in all around I see; O Thou who changest not, abide with me.</p> <p>3. I need thy presence every passing hour. What but thy grace can foil the tempter's power? Who, like thyself, my guide and stay can be? Through cloud and sunshine, Lord, abide with me.</p>	
<p>Peter's Denial: Matthew 26: 69-75</p> <p>Now Peter was sitting outside in the courtyard. A female servant came to him and said, "You also were with Jesus the Galilean." <sup>70</sup> But he denied it before all of them, saying, "I do not know what you are talking about." <sup>71</sup> When he went out to the porch, another female servant saw him, and she said to the bystanders, "This man was with Jesus the Nazarene." <sup>72</sup> Again he denied it with an oath, "I do not know the man." <sup>73</sup> After a little while the bystanders came up and said to Peter, "Certainly you are also one of them, for your accent betrays you." <sup>74</sup> Then he began to curse, and he swore an oath, "I do not know the man!" At that moment the cock crowed. <sup>75</sup> Then Peter remembered what Jesus had said: "Before the cock crows, you will deny me three times." And he went out and wept bitterly.</p>	Reader
<p>Reflection</p>	Rev. Angela
<p>Hymn "What Wondrous Love Is This" UMH #292 vs. 1-2</p> <p>1 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 caused the Lord of bliss to bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul, to bear the dreadful curse for my soul.</p> <p>2 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 caused the Lord of life to lay aside his crown for my soul, for my soul, to lay aside his crown for my soul.</p>	Ching-ju Cheng

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<p>Killing the One who was Sent: Matthew 23:37-39, 27:22-23</p> <p><sup>37</sup> "Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! <sup>38</sup> See, your house is left to you, desolate. <sup>39</sup> For I tell you, you will not see me again until you say, 'Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.' "</p> <p><sup>22</sup> Pilate said to them, "Then what should I do with Jesus who is called the Messiah?" All of them said, "Let him be crucified!" <sup>23</sup> Then he asked, "Why, what evil has he done?" But they shouted all the more, "Let him be crucified!"</p>	<p>Reader</p>
<p>Reflection</p>	<p>Rev. Angela</p>
<p>Hymn "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" UMH #286, vs. 1 &amp; 3</p> <p>1. O sacred Head, now wounded, with grief and shame weighed down, now scornfully surrounded with thorns, thine only crown: how pale thou art with anguish, with sore abuse and scorn! How does that visage languish which once was bright as morn!</p> <p><i>(new slide)</i></p> <p>3. 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.</p>	<p>Ching-ju Cheng</p>
<p>Death of Jesus: Matthew 27:45-50</p> <p><sup>45</sup> From noon on, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. <sup>46</sup> And about three o'clock Jesus cried with a loud voice, "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?" that is, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" <sup>47</sup> When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, "This man is</p>	<p>Reader</p>

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<p>calling for Elijah." <sup>48</sup> At once one of them ran and got a sponge, filled it with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink. <sup>49</sup> But the others said, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him." <sup>50</sup> Then Jesus cried again with a loud voice and breathed his last.</p>	
<p>Hymn "Were You There?" UMH #288, all verses</p> <p>1 Were you there when they crucified my Lord?(were you there) Were you there when they crucified my Lord? (were you there) Oh! sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble. Were you there when they crucified my Lord? (were you there)</p> <p>2 Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? (were you there) Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree? (were you there) Oh! sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble. Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? (were you there)</p> <p><i>(new slide)</i></p> <p>3 Were you there when they pierced him in the side? (were you there) Were you there when they pierced him in the side? (were you there) Oh! sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble. Were you there when they pierced him in the side? (were you there)</p> <p>4 Were you there when the sun refused to shine? (were you there) Were you there when the sun refused to shine? ((were you there) Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble. Were you there when the sun refused to shine? (were you there)</p> <p>5 Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? (were you there) Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? (were you there) Oh! sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble. Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? (were you there)</p>	<p>Ching-ju Cheng</p>
<p>Depart in Silence.</p>	

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**Volunteers**

Reader:

Ushers: Don James & Becky Nicodemus?