



HOLY WEEK WORSHIP

Good Friday

April 15, 2022 3:00 pm

*“He who hung the earth upon the waters:
Today he is hung upon the cross.”*

Prelude

Élégie, Op. 24
Gabriel Fauré

*Call to Worship

Let us remember

how the sky went dark.

Let us remember how

his mother was there.

Let us remember

how people mocked him.

Let us remember

how his friends fled.

Let us remember,

how in the midst of all that, Jesus still chose love.

Let us worship holy God.

*Hymn # 220

Go To Dark Gethsemane

*Prayer of Confession

**God of unfathomable mercy,
if we were there,
we'd like to think that we would have defended you.
We'd like to think that we would have stopped the guards
and silenced the mockery,
protected your body and defended your name.
However, if we're honest with ourselves,
we probably would have been at the edge of the crowd—
silent and afraid.
How often are we silent and afraid?
How often do we wait for the stones to cry out for us?
Forgive us. Please forgive us. Amen.**

*Assurance of Forgiveness

Even from his place on the cross, even while being met with cruelty and violence,
Jesus overflows with truth and grace.
He sees those around him.
He speaks connection and belonging into existence.
He offers forgiveness.
Friends, if this is true from the cross, it is certainly true here.
We are surrounded by grace.
We are held in love.
We are forgiven over and over again.
That truth never changes. Thanks be to God.

*Hymn # 218

Ah, Holy Jesus

Visual Reflection

Psalm 22
The Work of the People

Scripture Reading

Luke 23:33-35a

Special music

Prelude from Cello Suite #2
Johann Sebastian Bach

Reading of Poetry

What Abides
Jan Richardson

Special music He Never Said a Mumbalin' Word
Arr. Moses Hogan

Scripture Reading John 19:26-7

*Hymn # 221 O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

Visual Reflection Where the Light Ends
The Work of the People

Scripture Reading John 19:28-30

*Hymn # 228 Were You There

*Blessing Still
Jan Richardson

*When the lights are raised, you are invited to depart in silence,
pondering the events we remember on this night.*

**You are invited to stand as you desire.*

Leading us in worship today are Rev. Caroline Cupp, Executive Pastor; Sandor Kadar, Director of Music; Genevieve Brogdon, cello; Michael Spaziani, baritone.

Worship notes: