

*Oh crucified Christ, have mercy on your sisters and brothers.
For all who in suffering still trust and praise their God, and those
who while suffering themselves still give comfort to their distressed
friends and loved one.*

O crucified Christ, have mercy on your sisters and brothers.

O God of the Cross, deliver us from all evil.

*Loving God, we commit into your hands our lives, that in sickness or
in health, in joy or in sorrow, we may carry (without grumbling)
whatever cross you give us, and always have time and love for those
who are falling down under the weight of their hardship.*

**O God, we now join in one voice the prayer your
Son taught us to pray.**

**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 sins, as we forgive
those who sin against us; 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

Jesus, Remember Me

Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

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Depart silently into the quietness of this day and await
the darkness ahead.

Good Friday is the day when Christians commemorate the
crucifixion and death of Jesus Christ.

We turn from sorrow to celebration on Easter with a Sunrise
Service at 6:00 a.m. and an Easter Sunday Service at 9:30 a.m.

Come and rejoice!



GOOD FRIDAY
April 19, 2019
12:00 P.M.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Matthew 27:45-46

From noon until three in the afternoon darkness came over all the land. About three in the afternoon Jesus cried out in a loud voice, "*Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?*" (which means "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?").

PRELUDE

Were You There?

Peggi Briggs

✠CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER

Rev. Medina

Sisters and brothers, why are we here today?

To tell what Jesus did in the midst of our brokenness.

Sisters and brothers, why are we here today?

To give our praise in the midst of our pain.

Sisters and brothers, why are we here today?

To seek the Lord and give God our praise.

Sisters and brothers, why are we here today?

To join with the families of the earth as we worship the Holy One.

We now come to you, O God, in prayer

Almighty God,

we would be lying to you and deceiving ourselves if we pretended to be joyful and satisfied today.

We are not.

The violent pain that our friend Christ Jesus endured makes us want to hide and wait until it is over; it makes us wish to ignore his wounds altogether.

Yet in the miracle of grace, you have drawn us here, along with millions of others around the earth, that we might remember Christ's once-for-all sacrifice and covenant of grace.

As we worship you today

and undertake the ancient work of remembering,

we ask that you open our hearts to feel anew exactly why this is called "Good Friday."

In the name of Christ our Lord, Amen.

✠HYMN

Go to Dark Gethsemane

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CALL TO CONFESSION

Rev. Diane Christopher

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We come to you, Jesus, burdened with our own sin.

Our own calls for revenge and violence, which may or may not have included the words, "Crucify, crucify!"

Our own betrayals, with or without the thirty pieces of silver.

Our own denials, whether or not we have heard the cock crowing.

You know the sins we carry, secretly or openly, the way they crush us, the weight of them.

We bring these to your cross as well as all of our confessions and wrong doing, Merciful God. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

READING FROM THE HOLY BIBLE

Isaiah 52:13-53:12 & Psalm 22

✠HYMN

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

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MEDITATION "*Suffering: The Lord's Last Hours*" Rev. Medina

MOMENTS OF SILENCE

PRAYER

We seek your saving grace, God of Christ Jesus, for all those who on this Good Friday are lost among their doubts, sins, griefs or fears.

O crucified Christ, have mercy on your sisters and brothers.

O God of the Cross, deliver us from all evil.

For those who suffer gravely from the cruel abuse of their fellows, and all who suffer because of the apathy and neglect of respectable people.

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