GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

As we approach Golgotha we realize:

For us, he was despised, hated, and ridiculed.

For us, he was wounded that we might be made whole and healed.

For us, he followed like a gentle lamb to be slaughtered in silence.

For us, he poured out himself to fill all who thirst.

Worthy is the one who was slain to receive glory, honor, and praise.

Let us worship the Lamb.

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Behold the Lamb"

OPENING PRAYER

READING 1 John 18:1-5

HYMN #98

"O Sacred Head Now Wounded" (verses 1 & 3, The Presbyterian Hymnal)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord we have denied you, each time we refused to see you in the faces of the hungry and the homeless. We have betrayed you, each time we have kept our distance from the anguish of the oppressed and the persecuted. We hate to admit it, but Lord, we have even mocked you, each time we have pretended we do not know how radically you call us to live. We confess that we are lost and have strayed away from you, the one who loves us more than we can fathom. Hear us now as we repent and reach out for the healing power of your forgiveness. (Please take a moment for silent confession.)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

READING 2 John 18:12-27

HYMN #102 "Were You There?"

(verses 1, 2, & 4, The Presbyterian Hymnal)

DRAMA John 14 & 18

ANTHEM "Calvary"

READING 3 John 18:37, John 19:9-16

HYMN #101 "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" (verses 1, 3, & 4, The Presbyterian Hymnal)

READING 4 John 19:17-30

PASTORAL PRAYER

HYMN #92 "Beneath the Cross of Jesus"

(The Presbyterian Hymnal)

READING 5 John 19:31-42

CLOSING MUSIC "Via Dolorosa"

BENEDICTION

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We welcome **Carol Cone**, our organist to this Good Friday Service.

Easter Saturday - March 30

"The Day He Wore My Crown" - Easter Musical Celebration presented by the BPC Choir at 4:00 PM in the Church Sanctuary

Easter Sunday - March 31

Easter Sunrise Service at 7:00 AM on the front steps of the church

Easter Breakfast following the Sunrise Service in the Fellowship Hall

The Celebration of the Resurrection with Communion at 10:00 AM in the Church Sanctuary



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