



# WELCOME TO WORSHIP

APRIL 18, 2025 - GOOD FRIDAY

**PRELUDE** "Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross" (Robert Lau)

**OPENING READING** (On Screens)

**\*OPENING HYMN** "To Mock Your Reign" (#278 vs. 1-3)

**SCRIPTURE** Isaiah 52:13-15 (Pew Bible pg. 681)

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

On this day that we call Good, we remember your mercy and love, O Lord. For the world's brokenness, you died. For our foolishness, you died. For my sins, you died. Forgive me, Lord. Humanity was not ready to accept you, so we condemned you to death on a cross. However, death could not arrest you. You defeated the cross on our behalf, breaking sin's hold on our lives. Now, we enjoy the freedom of a forgiven people. Help us to live each day in resurrection joy, following the nudging of the Holy Spirit as we walk the way of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

**HYMN OF RESPONSE** "Lamb of God" (#281 vs. 1-3)

**SCRIPTURES** Isaiah 53:4-12; Matthew 27:27-31;  
Mark 15:3-5; John 19:30

**MINISTRY OF MUSIC** "Wondrous Love" (arr. Gwyneth Walker)

**MESSAGE** "What are We Searching For?"

**MUSICAL REFLECTION** "Arise, My Soul, Arise" (Dan Forrest)

## PRAYER

Leader: Suffering Servant, today we recall your journey to the cross. It was humanity's sin that brought you to Golgotha. You could have called upon legions of angels to save you from false judgement, but instead you chose to fulfill scripture, becoming the sacrificial lamb. You did this for us, your beloved children.

**All: We remember your amazing sacrifice, Lord Jesus Christ.**

-time for silent reflection-

**Leader:** Thirty pieces of silver; that was the price for a disciple to betray you. What would be our price? We say we love you, but in our sin, we distance ourselves from you. Still, your lead us back, offering forgiveness, despite knowing we will sin again.

**All: We are sinners, cleansed only by your pardon.**

-time for silent reflection-

Leader: You came to save the world. As we survey the the world around us, O Lord, we see so much healing yet to be accomplished. Illness, war, famine, homelessness, depression, greed, discrimination; these are just some of the ways our society is broken.

**All: We pray for your help and guidance.**

-time for silent reflection-

Leader: Even in dark and difficult times, you are here, Lord. Your light shines so bright that it cannot be extinguished. Help us bear witness to the light and carry that light into the world.

**All: Help us share your Good News with the world.**

-time for silent reflection-

Leader: Hear the prayers of your people, O Lord. For all the intentions on our hearts today:

**All: Hear our prayers.**

-time for silent reflection-

**Leader: Together, we join in praying the words that Jesus taught his disciples:**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

**\*CLOSING HYMNS** "Were You There" (#283 vs. 1, 2)  
"When I Survey" (#261 vs. 1, 3, 4)

**\*BENEDICTION & POSTLUDE** "O Sacred Head Now Wounded"  
(Giamanco)

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**Mary Ellen Robinson**  
**Carol Kasser**  
**Grace Notes**

\*Please Stand if able

To Give:



Scripture Readers

Ensemble