

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Good Friday – March 30th, 2018 – 10:30am

*You are invited to stand, if able

PRELUDE: “Herzlich tut mich verlangen”

J. Brahms

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS / INVITATION TO WORSHIP

SCRIPTURE: Psalm 22:1-4 (NRSV)

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

Why are you so far from helping me and from the words of my groaning?

My God, I call to you daily, but you do not answer.

I call by night but there is no rest for me.

You are holy, and enthroned on the praises of Israel.

PRAYER OF APPROACH: Eternal God, receive now our praise and our prayers. Inspire us in our worship and faithfulness daily. Help us to honour you for the sake of Jesus, who obeyed you even to death on a cross. Amen.

SCRIPTURE: John 18:12-14, 19-24

***HYMN:** #135 “Beneath the Cross of Jesus”

ST CHRISTOPHER

SCRIPTURE: John 18:28-40

***HYMN:** #145 “O Sacred Head” (1-3)

PASSION CHORALE

SCRIPTURE: John 19:1-16

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: “Surely He Hath Born Our Griefs,” from *The Messiah*

G.F. Handel

SCRIPTURE: John 19:17-37

MESSAGE: “No Greater Love”

William Haughton

***HYMN:** #142 “Jesus, Keep Me near the Cross” (no refrain)

NEAR THE CROSS

PRESENTATION OF OUR OFFERINGS AND CARE CARDS

OFFERTORY: “Behold the Lamb of God,” from *The Messiah*

G.F. Handel

***RESPONSE:** #149 “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross” (4)

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small:

Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: Most merciful heavenly Father, we have strayed like lost sheep. We have chosen to follow our own desires rather than your word. We have sinned in thought, word and deed. Have mercy on us and restore us in Jesus’ name, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

***HYMN:** #144 “Were You There” (1,3,5)

WERE YOU THERE

SCRIPTURE: Psalm 22:16-18, 23-31 (NRSV)

Evil doers surround me. They have pierced my hands and feet. I can count all my bones. They stare at me.

They divide my garments and cast lots for my clothing.

Let all who revere the LORD praise him.

Let all the descendants of Jacob glorify God.

Let all the families and nations bow down and worship you.

For you have rule and dominion among the nations.

Even the dead will bow down and worship you.

Future generations will worship the LORD forever.

They will go and declare his righteousness.

To those who are yet unborn, they will proclaim all that God has done.

We depart in silence.