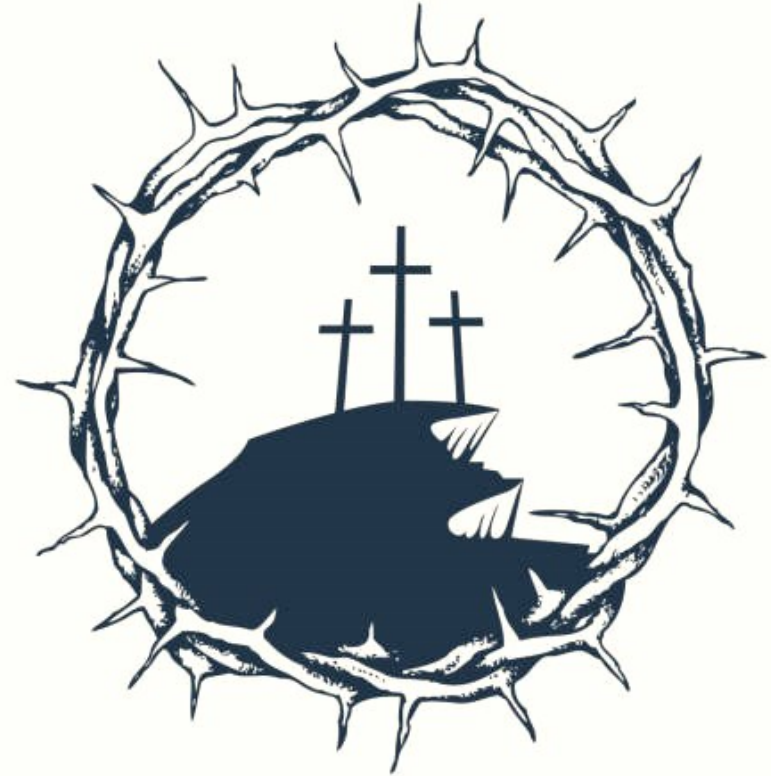# Good Friday
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Welcome to St. John's—we are glad you're here! Whether you have worshiped with us many times, or this is your first time, there is a place for you here. Your presence among us is a gift.

(Gather in silence.)

PRELUDE *Were You There?* *David Kidwell*
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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, look with loving mercy on your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, to be given over to the hands of sinners, and to suffer death on the cross; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.
Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING **Isaiah 52:13--53:12**

The fourth servant poem promises ultimate vindication for the servant, who made his life an offering for sin. The servant pours himself out to death and is numbered with the transgressors, images that the early church saw as important keys for understanding the death of Jesus.

[13]See, my servant shall prosper;
  he shall be exalted and lifted up,
  and shall be very high.
[14]Just as there were many who were astonished at him
  —so marred was his appearance, beyond human semblance,
  and his form beyond that of mortals—
[15]so he shall startle many nations;
  kings shall shut their mouths because of him;
for that which had not been told them they shall see,
  and that which they had not heard they shall contemplate.
[53:1]Who has believed what we have heard?
  And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?
[2]For he grew up before him like a young plant,
  and like a root out of dry ground;
he had no form or majesty that we should look at him,
  nothing in his appearance that we should desire him.
[3]He was despised and rejected by others;
  a man of suffering and acquainted with infirmity;
and as one from whom others hide their faces
  he was despised, and we held him of no account.

[4]Surely he has borne our infirmities
  and carried our diseases;
yet we accounted him stricken,

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Narration (Isaiah 53:2-5)
The Crucifixion

Near the Cross

<div align="center">6th candle is extinguished</div>

Narration (Hebrews 12:2)
Turn your Eyes upon Jesus (with Amazing Grace)

> ***Amazing grace! How sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me!***
> ***I once was lost, but now am found, was blind but now I see.***

<div align="center">Final candle is extinguished</div>

WE GLORY IN YOUR CROSS

We glory in your cross, O Lord,
and we praise your holy resurrection,
for by your cross joy has come into the world.
 May God be merciful and bless us;
 may the light of God's face shine upon us.
 Let your way be known upon earth,
 your saving health among all nations.
We glory in your cross, O Lord,
and we praise your holy resurrection,
for by your cross joy has come into the world.
 Let the peoples praise you, O God;
 let all the peoples praise you.
 May God give us blessing,
 and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe.
We glory in your cross, O Lord,
and we praise your holy resurrection,
for by your cross joy has come into the world.

<div align="center">*(After a brief silence, the presiding minister continues.)*</div>

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.
By your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

You are invited to stay and meditate as you choose. Please exit in silence.

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struck down by God, and afflicted.
[5]But he was wounded for our transgressions,
 crushed for our iniquities;
upon him was the punishment that made us whole,
 and by his bruises we are healed.
[6]All we like sheep have gone astray;
 we have all turned to our own way,
and the Lord has laid on him
 the iniquity of us all.

[7]He was oppressed, and he was afflicted,
 yet he did not open his mouth;
like a lamb that is led to the slaughter,
 and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent,
 so he did not open his mouth.
[8]By a perversion of justice he was taken away.
 Who could have imagined his future?
For he was cut off from the land of the living,
 stricken for the transgression of my people.
[9]They made his grave with the wicked
 and his tomb with the rich,
although he had done no violence,
 and there was no deceit in his mouth.

[10]Yet it was the will of the Lord to crush him with pain.
When you make his life an offering for sin,
 he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days;
through him the will of the Lord shall prosper.
 [11]Out of his anguish he shall see light;
he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge.
 The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous,
 and he shall bear their iniquities.
[12]Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great,
 and he shall divide the spoil with the strong;
because he poured out himself to death,
 and was numbered with the transgressors;
yet he bore the sin of many,
 and made intercession for the transgressors.

Word of God, word of life.   **Thanks be to God.**

We Remember Calvary
a tenebrae service
by Joel Raney

Narration
Here I Am to Worship

> **Here I am to worship, here I am to bow down,**
> **Here I am to say that you're my God.**
> **You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy,**
> **Altogether wonderful to me.**

Narration
We Remember (with When I Survey the Wondrous Cross)

> **Were the whole realm of nature mine,**
> **That were an offering far too small,**
> **Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.**

Narration
Bread of Life

Narration (Matthew 26:27-29)
My Faith Looks Up to Thee

> **My faith looks up to thee, thou lamb of Calvary, Savior divine!**
> **Now hear me while I pray, take all my guilt away;**
> **O let me from this day be wholly thine!**

1st candle is extinguished

Narration (Matthew 26:30-35)
Change My Heart, O God

2nd candle is extinguished

Narration (Matthew 26:39)
Have Thine Own Way, Lord

> **Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way!**
> **Hold o'er my being absolute sway!**
> **Fill with your Spirit till all shall see**
> **Christ only, always, living in me!**

3rd candle is extinguished

Narration
The Old Rugged Cross

> **So I'll cherish the old rugged cross,**
> **Till my trophies at last I lay down;**
> **I will cling to the old rugged cross,**
> **And exchange it someday for a crown.**

4th candle is extinguished

Narration
Lord, Remember Me (with Just As I Am)

> **Just as I am without one plea, but that thy blood was shed for me,**
> **And that thou bidd'st me come to thee,**
> **O Lamb of God, I come. I come!**

5th candle is extinguished

PROCESSION OF THE CROSS

A large cross is carried in procession through the church and placed before the assembly. The assembly stands and faces the cross as it is brought forward.

The following dialogue is spoken as the procession begins, the assembly echoing the leader.

Behold the life-giving cross,
on which was hung the Savior of the whole world.
Oh, come, let us worship him.

The dialogue is spoken a second time at the midpoint of the procession.

Behold the life-giving cross,
on which was hung the Savior of the whole world.
Oh, come, let us worship him.

The dialogue is spoken a third time at the end of the procession.

Behold the life-giving cross,
on which was hung the Savior of the whole world.
Oh, come, let us worship him.

(The assembly may be seated.)