

Prelude

O God, Thou Faithful God Sigfrid Karg-Elert
When I Survey the Wondrous Cross. C. Hubert H. Parry
Were You There. African American spiritual
arr. Calvin Taylor

Call to Worship (*responsively*)

Leader: *Surely he has borne our griefs*
People: **and carried our sorrows;**
Leader: *yet we esteemed him stricken,*
People: **smitten by God, and afflicted.**

*Hymn 224 “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

Prayer (*responsively*)

Leader: *Savior of the world,*
what have you done to deserve this?
And what have we done to deserve you?
Strung up between criminals,
cursed, and spat upon,
you wait for death and look for us,
for us whose sin has crucified you.

People: **To the mystery of undeserved suffering**
you bring the deeper mystery of unmerited love.
Forgive us for not knowing what we have done;
open our eyes to see what you are doing now,
as, through wood and nails,
you disempower our depravity
and transform us by your grace.
Amen.

The Passion of Jesus Christ: Part 1
Reflections are based on the Gospel of John

*Hymn 220 “Go to Dark Gethsemane”

The Passion of Jesus Christ: Part 2

*Stand as you are able.

Anthem

“Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed” American folk hymn
arr. William Schoenfeld

*Alas! And did my Savior bleed, and did my sovereign die!
Would he devote that sacred head, for such a wretch as I?
Well might the sun in darkness hide and shut his glories in,
when Christ, the mighty maker, died for man the creature’s sin.
But drops of grief can ne’er repay the debt of love I owe;
here, Lord, I give myself away, ’tis all that I can do.*

The Passion of Jesus Christ: Part 3

Prayers of the People

The Lord’s Prayer (*unison*)

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Offering and Prayer of Dedication

Offertory Anthem

“We Adore You, O Christ” Richard Proulx
*We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you, because, by your cross, you have
redeemed the world. We glory in your cross, O Lord God; we praise and glorify
your holy resurrection; by virtue of your cross joy has come into the world.
O Savior, by your cross, by your holy cross, save us and help us, O Lord.
By your cross, your holy cross, you have redeemed us all. Amen.*

*Solemn Reproaches of the Cross

Each of the eight “Reproaches” ends with the phrase
“*You have prepared a cross for your Savior,*”
to which the congregation responds,
“**Lord, have mercy.**”

*Hymn 228. “Were You There”

Benediction

—*Depart in silence*—

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Holy Week and Easter Worship Opportunities

Good Friday 5:30 p.m. Children’s Program (*in Buchanan Chapel*)
7:30 p.m. Choral Service

Holy Saturday 8:00 p.m. Easter Vigil (*begins in courtyard*)

Easter Sunday 6:30 a.m. Sunrise Service at Oak Street Beach
8:00, 9:30, and 11:30 a.m. Easter Worship
9:30 a.m. Children’s Program (*Gratz Center, Floor 4*)
4:00 p.m. Jazz Service with Communion

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