

Good Friday

Healing and Wholeness
April 3, 2026—12 PM

PRELUDE *O Christ, the Healer, We Have Come* arr. Gieseke
Amy Shortt, organ

WORDS OF WELCOME Rev. Elizabeth H. Doolin, *Associate Pastor*

+CALL TO WORSHIP Gather us in,
The lost and the lonely,
Gather us in,
The seeking and the doubting.
Gather us in,
The hurting and the heartbroken.
Gather us in,
For healing, for hope, for new life we pray. Gather us in.

+HYMN 803 *My Shepherd Will Supply My Need* RESIGNATION
Stanzas 1 and 3

PRAYER OF CONFESSION Rev. John Hage, *Senior Pastor*
O Christ, Son of God, we want so desperately to look away. We want to turn from your suffering; we want to turn from the suffering; in our lives and in our world. We do not want to witness death. We find ourselves silent in the face of hatred, ignoring the suffering, hurting the innocent, betraying those we love, and betraying the truth of our brokenness. Yet we trust in your mercy, and ask for your forgiveness. May we come to you this day in honesty, naming the hurt in our lives and in our world, seeking your healing even in the darkness of the tomb. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PRAYER WRITING Rev. Elizabeth H. Doolin, *Associate Pastor*
What burdens are you carrying?
What healing do you long for this day – in your life, for others, or in our world?

MUSICAL MEDITATION *Lead Me to Calvary* arr. Hamilton
Amy Shortt, piano

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 23:44-56 Ginger Monroe
Holy Bible page 965

POETRY READING **Sweet Darkness by David Whyte** Pat Henry
When your eyes are tired the world is tired also.
When your vision has gone, no part of the world can find you.
Time to go into the dark where the night has eyes to recognize its own.
There you can be sure you are not beyond love.
The dark will be your home tonight.
The night will give you a horizon further than you can see.
You must learn one thing. The world was made to be free in.
Give up all the other worlds except the one to which you belong.
Sometimes it takes darkness and the sweet confinement of your aloneness to learn
anything or anyone that does not bring you alive is too small for you.

HOMILY

Rev. Elizabeth H. Doolin, *Associate Pastor*

MUSICAL MEDITATION #471

O Lord, Hear Our Prayer

arr. Taize'

Liz Cox, Erin Sheppard, Matt Franks, Ravon Sheppard

O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call answer me. O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and listen to me.

O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call answer me. O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and listen to me.

Congregation joins on Repeat.

INTERCESSION OF HEALING

Rev. John Hage, *Senior Pastor*

The God of strength moves within us;

the God of courage hears our distress.

The God of hope reveals wholeness to us;

the God of healing touches us when we are broken.

When the pain overwhelms us, when the burden is too heavy,

we turn to our God, who is sustaining and redeeming.

When there is loneliness, when there is isolation,

we turn to God, who is loving and present.

For God created us, redeemed us, and sustains us,

and we are not alone. Lead us in your ways, O God, and bring us your healing touch.

Amen.

INVITATION TO ANNOINTING

MUSICAL MEDITATION #466

Come and Fill Our Hearts

arr. Taize'

Liz Cox, Erin Sheppard, Matt Franks, Ravon Sheppard

Come and fill our hearts with your peace. You alone, O God, are holy. Come and fill our hearts with your peace, Amen.

Come and fill our hearts with your peace. You alone, O God, are holy. Come and fill our hearts with your peace, Amen.

Congregation joins on Repeat.

PRAYER AFTER ANNOINTING

+HYMN 833

O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go

ST. MARGARET

BENEDICTION

Rev. Elizabeth H. Doolin, *Associate Pastor*

As you exit the sanctuary, you are invited to drop your written prayers in the Baptismal Font in the Narthex where it will dissolve as you mix your prayers with those of the congregation.

POSTLUDE

EASTER SUNDAY | APRIL 5, 2026 | 9 & 11:10 AM

Come and rejoice in the glory of the resurrection!

Serving Today

Rev. John Hage, *senior pastor*

Rev. Elizabeth H. Doolin, *associate pastor for congregational care and connection*

Amy Shortt, *director of music ministries*

Chan Roberts, Alex Bowness, *ushers*