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WELCOME

PRELUDE "Have Thine Own Way, Lord"

CALL TO WORSHIP

In the quiet dark and shadows, we gather to remember
the saddest of our stories,

to tell the truth about what happened, and to mourn it.

We look inside at where we have been culpable

**in adding to the wounds of the world and to the
suffering of humanity. Lord, have mercy upon us.**

HYMN UMH 286 "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded"

¹ O sacred Head, now wounded, with grief and shame
weighed down, now scornfully surrounded with thorns,
thine only crown: how pale thou art with anguish, with sore
abuse and scorn! How does that visage languish which
once was bright as morn!

² What thou, my Lord, hast suffered was all for sinners' gain;
mine, mine was the transgression, but thine the deadly
pain. Lo, here I fall, my Savior! 'Tis I deserve thy place; look
on me with thy favor, vouchsafe to me thy grace.

³ What language shall I borrow to thank thee, dearest friend,
for this thy dying sorrow, thy pity without end? O make me
thine forever; and should I fainting be, Lord, let me never,
never outlive my love to thee.

JESUS IS ACCUSED Mark 14:53-65

JESUS IS DENIED BY PETER Mark 14:66-72

HYMN FWS 2137 "Would I Have Answered When You Called?"

¹ Would I have answered when you called, "Come, follow,
follow me!" Would I at once have left behind both work and
family? Or would the old, familiar round have held me by
its claim and kept the spark within my heart from bursting
into flame?

² Would I have followed where you led through ancient
Galilee, on roads unknown, by ways untried, beyond
security? Or would I soon have hurried back where home
and comfort drew, where truth you taught would not
disturb the ordered life I knew?

³ Would I have matched my step with yours when crowds cried "Crucify!" when on a rocky hill I saw a cross against the sky? Or would I too have slipped away and left you there alone, a dying king with crown of thorns upon a terrible throne?

⁴ O Christ, I cannot search my heart through all its tangled ways, nor can I with a certain mind my steadfastness appraise. I only pray that when you call, "Come, follow, follow me!" you'll give me strength beyond my own to follow faithfully.

JESUS IS THE SUFFERING SERVANT Isaiah 53:1-5

SPECIAL MUSIC "Pie Jesu" *from Requiem*
Faure/arr. Barnaby Smith

A PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND RECONCILIATION

We confess, we are afraid to enter this pain with Jesus.

Strengthen us with your courage; offer glimpses of hope in the shadows of death; let us know you are present with us here in this moment of pain; now as always.

ASSURANCE OF BLESSING

HYMN UMH 473 "Lead Me, Lord"

Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy righteousness; make thy way plain before my face. For it is thou, Lord, thou, Lord only, that makest me dwell in safety. Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy righteousness; make thy way plain before my face.

THE TRIAL OF JESUS John 18:28-38

HYMN UMH 288 (vss. 1, 2) "Were You There"

¹ Were you there when they crucified my Lord? Were you there when they crucified my Lord? Oh! sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble. Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

² Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree? Oh! sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble. Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?

THE CRUCIFIXION OF JESUS Matthew 27:32-44

SPECIAL MUSIC "Mary Did You Know?"

THE DEATH OF JESUS Luke 23:44-46

SPECIAL MUSIC "Do Not Be Afraid"

THE TOMB OF JESUS John 19:31-42

HYMN UMH 288 (vss. 3-5) "Were You There"

- ³ Were you there when they pierced him in the side? Were you there when they pierced him in the side? Oh! sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble. Were you there when they pierced him in the side?
- ⁴ Were you there when the sun refused to shine? Were you there when the sun refused to shine? Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble. Were you there when the sun refused to shine?
- ⁵ Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? Oh! sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble. Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

BENEDICTION

(please depart in silence)

Our worship leaders for this service:

Pastor Beth Snarr • Pastor Harold Henderson • Chancel Choir
Alex Gibson • Beth Gibson • Elise Caton • Steve Caton
Jill Dumas • Michael Ekbladh • Gavan Mcvey • Carl Rocap
Lynn Sandefur-Gardner • Garret Stevens • Marlene Udell

WELCOME!
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EASTER CELEBRATION SERVICE

We are having an on-campus and online celebration for Easter!
We hope you will join us this Sunday, March 31 at 10:30 a.m.
in the Sanctuary or online at fumcgvn.org/watch

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