

**\* Scripture Readings**

Isaiah 52:13–53:12	Kyle Kogel
Psalms 22	Maddy Anderson
Hebrews 10:16-25	Keaton Duhn
John 18	Sarah Strohmman
John 19	Brenda Gonzales

**Message of Life**

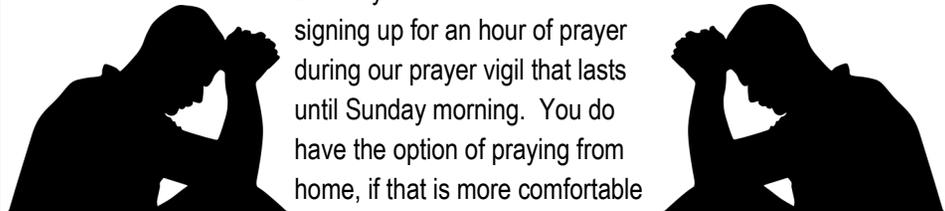
**Via Dolorosa**

Station I	Jesus Is Condemned to Death
Station II	Jesus Is Made to Bear His Cross
Station III	Simon of Cyrene Helps Carry Jesus' Cross
Station IV	Jesus Is Stripped of His Clothing and Nailed to the Cross
Station V	Jesus Dies on the Cross & His Body Is Laid in the Tomb
Station VI	Take Up Your Cross and Follow Me

**\* Closing Hymn** 297 Beneath the Cross of Jesus

**\* Benediction**

***Depart in Silence***



Before you leave consider signing up for an hour of prayer during our prayer vigil that lasts until Sunday morning. You do have the option of praying from home, if that is more comfortable for you.

*\*Thank You to Rosemary Matthews for gifting us by playing the organ for the service this evening.\**

*\*\*Thank you to our Scripture Readers this evening  
Kyle Kogel, Maddy Anderson, Keaton Duhn, Sarah Strohmman, & Brenda Gonzales\*\**

*\*\*\*Thank you to Ruth Hand for her dedication and creativity in creating the stations for the Via Dolorosa.\*\*\**

*\*\*\*\*Thank you for attending this special Good Friday Service. We pray that your journey through the Via Dolorosa was both humbling and inspiring . \*\*\*\**



Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors.

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**Good Friday**

**April 19, 2019, 7:00 PM**

*Journey Through*



*Via Dolorosa*

**Welcome!** *We're glad you're here.*

*When you see the [\*], people are invited to arise as able.*

*Hymns No. 57-734 are in the red hymnal (The United Methodist Hymnal),  
2000's are in the black hymnal (The Faith We Sing).*

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**Liturgist**

Kyle Kogel

**Organist**

Rosemary Matthews

**Scripture Readers**

Kyle Kogel, Maddy Anderson, Keaton Duhn, Sarah Strohmman, & Brenda Gonzales

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**Prelude**

**\* Call to Worship**

L: Come, let us gather again in the shadow  
of the Cross of Christ.

**P: We gather to remember the overwhelming evidence  
of Love's ultimate sacrifice.**

L: Who would have guessed that the height and depth,  
the length and width of God's love might look like this:  
a forsaken savior on a cross?

**P: Certainly not us. Not us, who are too often lost  
amid the world's distractions and responsibilities.  
Not us, for whom such love was offered without cost.**

L: Let us gather again in the shadow of the Cross of Christ  
and commit ourselves to remember the price paid.  
Let us live our lives in a way that indicates why  
this Friday is called "Good."

**P: Thanks be to God, who opened the gates of heaven,  
that we might have the faith, hope, and love,  
witnessed in Christ's sacrifice for our salvation.**

**\* Opening Prayer**

**Almighty God,  
we would be lying to you and deceiving ourselves  
if we pretended to be joyful and satisfied tonight.  
We are not.**

**The violent pain that our friend Christ Jesus endured  
makes us want to hide and wait until it is over;  
it makes us wish to ignore his wounds altogether.  
Yet in the miracle of grace, you have drawn us here,  
along with millions of others around the earth,  
that we might remember Christ's once-for-all sacrifice  
and covenant of grace.**

**As we worship you tonight  
and undertake the ancient work of remembering,  
we ask that you open our hearts to feel anew  
exactly why this is called "Good Friday."  
In the name of Christ our Lord, amen.**

**\* Opening Hymn 294 Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed!**

**\* Prayer of Confession**

We all, like sheep, have gone astray.

We have all turned to our own way.

We have sinned and have been the cause  
of Christ's suffering.

Please forgive us, we pray.

Remove the sins that distance us from you  
and from those we love and care about.

Remove our selfishness, our pride, our envy,  
and our greed.

Remove from us our thoughtless acts  
and words that hurt one another.

Remove from us the tendency to hurt others  
out of revenge and anger.

Forgive us please.

Create in us a clean heart, O Lord.

And renew in us a right spirit. Amen.

**\* Words of Assurance**

In the name of the compassionate Christ,  
you are forgiven.

For God has declared, "I forgive your evil ways  
and remember your sins no more!"

**\* Doxology 70 Glory Be to the Father**