

6:30 WORSHIP  
GOOD FRIDAY  
APRIL 18, 2025

**Prelude**—As we listen to the final moments of the Prelude, let us prepare for worship in silence.

**Welcome**

(8 candles are lighted on the altar)

**Opening Hymn** “*Come to Calvary’s Holy Mountain*” LBW 301 vs. 1-3

**Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness**

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen**

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P: Most merciful God,

**C: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen**

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for his sake God forgives you all your sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ he gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen**

**Call to Worship**

P : We gather tonight in the shadow of the Cross.

**C: Evil abounds. Jesus goes forth to suffer and die.**

P: How we tremble with fear!

**C: How we weep.**

P: Why have we forsaken Him?

**C: Why have we betrayed and run from his Passion?**

P: Lord, have mercy upon us.

**C: Christ, have mercy upon us.**

**First Candle—First Reading: Matthew 26:17-25**

**Hymn** “*Go to Dark Gethsemane*” v.1 LBW 109

(First Candle is Extinguished)

**Second Candle—Second Reading: Matthew 26:30-35**

**Hymn** “*Go to Dark Gethsemane*” v.2

(Second Candle is Extinguished)

**Third Candle—Third Reading: Luke 22:39-46**

**Hymn** “*Go to Dark Gethsemane*” v.3

(Third Candle is Extinguished)

**Fourth Candle—Fourth Reading—John 18: 1-11**

**Hymn** “*Go to Dark Gethsemane*” v.4  
(Fourth Candle is Extinguished)

**Fifth Candle—Fifth Reading—Matthew 26: 69-75**

**Hymn** “*When I Survey The Wondrous Cross*” v.1 LBW 482

(Fifth Candle is Extinguished)

**Sixth Candle—Sixth Reading: Matthew 27: 11-26**

**Hymn** “*When I Survey The Wondrous Cross*” v.2

(Sixth Candle is Extinguished)

**Seventh Candle—Seventh Reading: John 19: 16-24**

**Hymn** “*When I Survey The Wondrous Cross*” v.3

(Seventh Candle is Extinguished)

**Eighth Candle—Eighth Reading: Matthew 27: 45-54**

**Hymn** “*When I Survey The Wondrous Cross*” v.4

**Christ Candle is Extinguished**

**Closing Hymn**

***“Were You There”***

**LBW 92**

**The Burial of Jesus - Matthew 27: 57-60**

**The Closing of the Tomb**

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