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Good Friday – March 30th, 2018

10:30 a.m.

Liturgical Colour – Black

We Gather Together

Introit *Take, O Take Me As I Am* MV 85 Andrew Sims

Call to Worship:

Take us as we are, God of grace.

Then summon out from us what we might become.

Open our hearts to the seal of your love that claims us as yours,

That we may respond with our very lives:

taking up our cross,

clearing out our self-centredness,

following Jesus into the way of Love and life abundant.

Opening Hymn *When I Survey* VU 149

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Merciful God,

we confess that 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 neighbours as ourselves.

We pause to take stock of our motives, our actions, our lives.

We pause this holy day to remember how fully Jesus gave

and how deeply he loved all.

We pause to turn our hearts toward the love he offers.

We pause to receive such unconditional love in our hearts.

And we pause to recommit our lives to offering that love to others.

Teach us to walk in your ways today and always.

Through Jesus Christ we pray, amen.

Silent, Personal Prayer

Words of Assurance (spoken by leader)

No matter where we are, God is there.

No matter what we have done, God forgives.

*No matter our reluctance to accept God's love,
still we are accepted and loved unconditionally.*

With that assurance, may we receive forgiveness this day,

and begin living anew into fullness and hope and transformation. Amen.

Anthem

There is a Green Hill

The Story in Scripture and Song

Matthew 26: 20-25

Jesus Remember Me

VU 148

Matthew 26: 31-35

Jesus Remember Me

VU 148

Mark 14: 32-41

Jesus Remember Me

VU 148

Matthew 26: 47-52

What Wondrous Love is This Vs. 1

VU 147

Luke 22: 54-62

What Wondrous Love is This Vs. 2

VU 147

John 18: 33-37

What Wondrous Love is This Vs. 3

VU 147

Matthew 27: 20-26

What Wondrous Love is This Vs. 4

VU 147

Mark 15: 16-20

Anthem

Once Upon a Tree

Psalm 22: 1-2

Luke 23: 44-46

Were You There

VU 144

Benediction *We are invited to leave in silence when we are ready.*