

LOVE LIFTED, LIFE GIVEN

ON A HILL WHERE MERCY MET OUR SIN,
LOVE WAS LIFTED—PIERCED, YET UNYIELDING.

HANDS THAT SHAPED THE
STARS WERE OPENED,
NOT TO STRIKE, BUT TO
EMBRACE.



HE CARRIED OUR SORROW INTO SILENCE,
DRANK THE WEIGHT OF EVERY FALL—
AND WOULD NOT TURN AWAY.

“IT IS FINISHED,” HE CRIED—
AND THE VEIL WAS TORN LIKE NIGHT GIVING
WAY TO DAWN.

THE STONE COULD NOT HOLD HIM.
THE GRAVE LOST ITS CLAIM.

NOW FROM HIS WOUNDS FLOWS LIFE:
GRACE FOR THE LOST,
HOPE FOR THE BROKEN,
HOME FOR US—
AND A LOVE THAT WILL NOT LET US GO.

Good Friday Service

Friday, April 3, 2026, at 10: 30 am

Epworth United Church

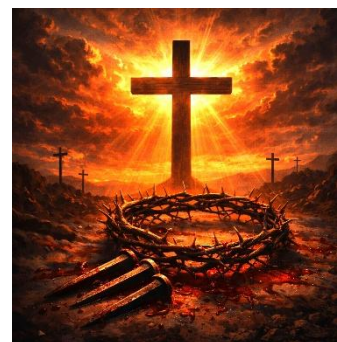
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Worship Theme: “Good Friday”



Know Christ and Make Him Known

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WELCOMING MUSIC

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS: (M)

CALL TO WORSHIP: (M)

Once, we praised Him—yet we have also turned away.

Still, the Lord Jesus Christ, our Redeemer, did not turn from us, but carried our sin to the cross.

At Calvary, mercy met our brokenness, and grace was poured out in full.

Come, let the Holy Spirit draw us near.

Come, behold the Lamb of God.

Come, let us worship the Lord.

***HYMN:** BH 186, 'The Old Rugged Cross' (v.1,3,4)

OPENING PRAYER & CONFESSION: (Responsive) (M)

Holy and gracious God, we come to the cross of the Lord Jesus Christ, our Redeemer, humbled by His suffering and held by His love.

You found us when we were lost. You gave Your life so we might live. With grateful hearts, we worship You and offer You our lives. Yet, Lord, we confess—we have gone our own way, held onto pride, and failed to love as You love us. We have doubted You and forgotten Your grace.

Forgive us, Lord. Wash us in the mercy of the cross. Renew us by Your Holy Spirit.

Lead us to live in Your grace and follow You. In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, our Redeemer, who was crucified and is risen, we pray. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING:

1) Isaiah 53: 1-7 Lisa Reive

2) Psalm 22: 1-11 Rev. John

3) John 19: 23-30 Linda Van Omme

4) 1 Corinthians 1: 18-25 Garry Bishop

MESSAGE: *"By His Wounds, We Are Healed"*

PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER:

***HYMN:** VU 508, 'Just As I Am' (v. 1, 4)

*PRESENTATION OF THE NAILS AT THE CROSS:

- 1) You are invited **to come forward to the cross** using the **center aisle**, bringing the nail you received and confession paper.
- 2) **Drop off the nails** into the metal container (let it make a big sound); and then, **rip off** the written record of your sins.
- 3) After that, **come to the minister** to receive prayer & blessing, and then, return to your seat.

***HYMN:** BH 185, 'When I Survey the Wonderous Cross' (v.1,4)

*CHARGE & BLESSING:

EXIT IN SILENCE