Prelude

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

Wilbur Held

Call to Worship

Luke 9:23-24

Jesus said: If any of you want to be my disciples, take up the cross and follow me.

Those who seek to save their lives will lose them, but those who give their lives for Christ's sake will be saved.

Let us worship the God of the Cross.

• Hymn

Were You There

Red Hymnal 228

verse 1: all

verse 2: higher voices verse 3: lower voices

verse 4: choir verse 5: all

Prayer of Confession

Loving God, you sent Jesus Christ to save us.

We have betrayed him.

We have denied him.

We have abandoned, mocked, and crucified him.

Have mercy, O God, have mercy on us.

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Have mercy, O God, have mercy on us.

We pray through Jesus Christ, our only hope. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

God's love has been poured into our hearts through the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Friends in Christ, hear and believe the good news of the gospel.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

Prayer for Illumination

Holy God, our hope and strength,
we give thanks for your Word made flesh—
for the life that death cannot destroy;
for the light that darkness cannot overcome.
Enlighten our minds and enliven our hearts
by the power of your Holy Spirit,
so that we may testify to your light and
share the life of Christ with a hurting world.
This we pray through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Way of the Cross

Sung Response

Stay With Me

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Luke 22:39-54A Jesus went to the Mount of Olives

Luke 22:54B-65
"Before the cock crows today, you will deny me three times."

Response

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Luke 22:66-23:7
"Are you the King of the Jews?"

Luke 23:13-25 "Crucify, crucify him."

Response

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Luke 23:26-31 "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me."

Luke 23:32-43
"Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

Response

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Luke 23:44-49

"Father, into your hands I commend my spirit."

Silence

•Hymn

Ah, Holy Jesus

Red Hymnal 218

Litany Prayer for Good Friday

Our Savior now enters the valley of the shadow of death though we stand at a distance, we pray with our Lord.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

In this trembling hour of terror, O God, grant us faith: that we may continue to trust in your presence, even when defeat and despair triumph.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

In this hour of dread, grant us hope:

that, though our Lord is dead and buried, his spirit of compassion may remain with us.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Through your grace, help us to believe:

that your faithfulness will triumph

even when our faith flees and darkness rules the day.

This we ask through Christ, your Son, our friend and Lord.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Amen.

Blessing Teresa of Ávila

> "Christ has no body now on earth but yours, no hands but yours, no feet but yours, yours are the eyes through which Christ's compassion looks upon the earth, yours are the feet by which He goes about doing good yours the hands by which He blesses."

Departure in Silence

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