

**Central Saanich United Church
United Church of Canada**

Good Friday

April 2nd, 2021

Minister: Bob Gilbert

Music Director: Amy Nold



The Service will proceed without announcement.

Prelude

Words of Welcome and Call to Worship: (*Isaiah 53:1-3*)

God be with you

And also with you.

We gather here to worship God.

**We gather to remember how Jesus suffered and died for us
and to give thanks for God's love and mercy.**

Who has believed our message

and to whom has the arm of God been revealed?

**He grew up before God like a tender shoot,
and like a root out of dry ground.**

He had no beauty or majesty to attract us to him,
nothing in his appearance that we should desire him.

He was despised and rejected, a man of sorrows,
and familiar with suffering.

Like one from whom all people hide their faces.

He was despised and we esteemed him not.

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Prayer of Approach

Hymn: **“O Come and Mourn with Me Awhile”**

VU 136

The Seven Last Words of Jesus

The First Word

Scripture: Luke 23:33-34

Meditation

Extinguishing the Candle

One: Lord Jesus, you gave your life for us.

All: You suffered and died that we might be made whole.

The Second Word

Scripture: Luke 23:39-43

Meditation

Extinguishing the Candle

One: Lord Jesus, you gave your life for us.

All: You suffered and died that we might be made whole.

Hymn: **“Jesus, Remember Me”** (repeat 3X)

VU 148

The Third Word

Scripture: John 19:25-27

Meditation

Extinguishing the Candle

One: Lord Jesus, you gave your life for us.

All: You suffered and died that we might be made whole.

The Fourth Word

Scripture: Mark 15:33-34

Meditation

Extinguishing the Candle

One: Lord Jesus, you gave your life for us.

All: You suffered and died that we might be made whole.

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Hymn: “O Sacred Head”

VU 145

The Fifth Word

Scripture: John 19:28

Meditation

Extinguishing the Candle

One: Lord Jesus, you gave your life for us.

All: You suffered and died that we might be made whole.

The Sixth Word

Scripture: John 19:29-30

Meditation

Extinguishing the Candle

One: Lord Jesus, you gave your life for us.

All: You suffered and died that we might be made whole.

Hymn: “Beneath the Cross of Jesus”

VU 135

The Seventh Word

Scripture: Luke 23:46

Meditation

Extinguishing the Christ Candle

One: Lord Jesus, you gave your life for us.

All: You suffered and died that we might be made whole.

Silent Meditation (*begun and ended at the sound of the tone bell*)

Responsive Reading: Isaiah 53:4-6,9

Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows,
yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God and afflicted.

**But he was wounded for our transgressions and he was
bruised for our iniquities. Upon him was the chastisement
that made us whole.**

All we like sheep have gone astray; each of us has turned to
our own way; and the Lord has laid upon him the iniquity
of us all.

**He was assigned a grave with the wicked and with the rich
in his death, although he had done no violence nor was
any deceit in his mouth.**

Hymn: **“Were You There”**

VU 144 (v. 1-2)

Prayer of Dedication:

Lord God, you have given us everything.

You have not held anything back.

Help us in like manner to give of ourselves.

Sanctify us in Christ’s name.

**Bless us and all that we think, feel, say, and do
that we, like Jesus, may be a blessing to others.**

We ask this and all things that we ask of you
through him, saying the prayer that he taught us –

Our Father, our Mother.....

Hymn: **“Were You There”**

VU 144 (v. 3-5)

Benediction

Postlude

(adapted from a service written by Richard J. Fairchild – Spirit Networks, 1999-2006)

Giving thanks to Helen Wright for Reading Scripture and singing today.

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