Our Vision Statement

"Deepening and demonstrating our faith in Jesus Christ by partnering in and with the community of Central Saanich and beyond."

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Good Friday
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(this service will proceed without announcement)

(this service is an adaptation of a resource by Diane Strickland in Gathering Lent, 2004, p.51-53)

Scripture Reader: Becky Cotterell, John & Pat Gunton, Rev. Barbara Hansen, Helen Wright, Bhree Young & Lissa Zala
Greeters: Donna & Al Cameron

Welcome

Video – **Wondrous Love** (Dale Wood) (Organist – Mark S. Marty)

Introduction

Lighting of Christ Candle

Hymn: **Beneath the Cross of Jesus** (*standing*) **VU 135**

Call To Worship:
Blessed be the name of the Lord our God.
who redeems us from the power of death.
For us, and for the sake of all creation,
Christ became obedient unto death, even death on a cross.
This is the story of that day in his life.
Blessed be the name of the Lord our God!

Opening Prayer

Solo: "A Grain of Wheat" *(sung by Amy Nold)*

Scripture: Luke 22:14-22 – *Betrayal* *(read by Becky)*
Prayer

Scripture: Luke 22:39-46 – *Temptation* *(read by Helen)*
Prayer

Hymn: **Go To Dark Gethsemane** *(seated)* **VU 133 (v.1,2)**

Scripture: John 18:1-12 **–** *Arrest* *(read by Lissa)*
Prayer:

Scripture: John 18:25-27 – *Denial* *(read by Bhree)*
Prayer:

Hymn: **My Song Is Love Unknown** *(seated)* **VU 143 (v.1,3,4)**

Scripture: John 18:28-40, 19:1-10 – *Rejection* *(read by Pat & John)*
Prayer

Scripture: John 19:13-18 – *Cross* *(read by Barbara)*
Prayer

Hymn: **When I Survey the Wondrous Cross** (standing) **VU 149 (v.1,3,4)**

Scripture: Luke 23:35-38 – *Mocking* *(read by Bhree)*
Prayer

Hymn: **God of Freedom, God of Justice** *(seated)* **VU 700**

Scripture: Luke 23:44-49 – *Death* *(read by Barbara)*
Prayer

Video: O Vos Omnes – "*O all you who pass by, behold and see*
if there is any sorrow like unto my sorrow?"
(Pablo Casals performed by the Choir of King's College Cambridge)

Scripture: Luke 23:50-52 – *Tomb* *(read by Becky)*
Prayer

Scripture: Isaiah 53 (*selected verses).*

Closing Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (*spoken*)

Lenten Candle Liturgy for Good Friday
In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God.
And the Word was God.
Jesus came into our world.
He brought life, and his life was the light of all people.
The light shines in the midst of chaos, tyranny, and destruction.
On this day, his light was extinguished by the principalities and powers of this world.
We mourn his death.
We mourn that such powers crucify people again and again, even till this day.
(the Christ Candle is extinguished)

Hymn: **Don't Be Afraid** **MV 90 (2X)**

Blessing

A Time of Reflection: The Seven Last Words from the Cross –
(*Anne Quigley, JourneySongs)*

Please leave the sanctuary quietly.
You are welcome to remain here for personal reflection and prayer

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