



# CHRIST CHURCH

## UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

AN OPEN & AFFIRMING WISE CONGREGATION.



GOOD FRIDAY

April 3rd, 2026

7 PM



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## GATHERING

### CALL TO WORSHIP

#### RESPONSIVE PSALM 22:1-11

Leader: My God, my God...my groaning?

**People: O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer; and by night, but find no rest.**

Leader: Yet you are holy, enthroned on the praises of Israel.

**People: In you our ancestors trusted; they trusted, and you delivered them.**

Leader: To you they cried, and were saved...to shame.

**People: But I am a worm, and not human; scorned by others, and despised by the people.**

Leader: All who see me mock at me...their heads;

**People: "Commit your cause to the Lord; let him deliver, let him rescue the one in whom he delights!"**

Pastor: Yet it was you who took me from the...my mother's breast.

**People: On you I was cast from my birth, and since my mother bore me you have been my God.**

**All: Do not be far from me, for trouble is near and there is no one to help.**

#### OPENING HYMN

*"O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" (Red Hymnal 127)*

#### THE SEVEN LAST WORDS *Each Scripture followed by a Musical Interlude.*

I. *"Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do."* - Luke 23:33-35

##### REFLECTION

II. *"Today, you will be with me in Paradise."* - Luke 23:39-43

##### REFLECTION

#### HYMN

*(Choir sings first, then Congregation joins)*

Jesus remember me, when you come into your kindom,

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III. *"Woman, behold your son; son, behold your mother."* - John 19:25-27

##### REFLECTION

IV. *"My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"* - Mark 15:33-34

##### REFLECTION

#### HYMN

*"Ah, Holy Jesus, How Hast Thou Offended"*

*(Red Hymnal 128)*

V. *"I thirst."* - John 19:28

##### REFLECTION

VI. *"It is finished."* - John 19:30

##### REFLECTION

VII. *"Father, into your hands I commend my spirit."* - Luke 23:46

##### REFLECTION

MUSICAL MEDITATION - Silent Reflection

#### CHOIR ANTHEM

*"Come to the Cross"*

#### VENERATION OF THE CROSS

CLOSING - Depart in silence