GOOD FRIDAY

April 14, 2017

NOON

SOUND OF THE HAMMER

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: A cradle and a cross… and between these – a life.

People: Bethlehem and Jerusalem… a birth and a death.

Leader: Sensitivity and compassion… alive and real.

People: Today let us feel the surge of that life,
the beauty of that love, and the power of that cross.

ALL: Let us worship God!

HYMN **"Were You There?"** **No. 102**
Verse 1

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Ever-living and ever-loving God, how frayed our lives have become – a collection of loose ends, tarnished glory, and hazy dreams. We have not kept our eyes upon your saving cross nor listened with undivided attention to your voice. Stretch our boundaries, stir our hearts, and inflame our souls to behold you in every fragment of life, to feel you in every moment of time, and to serve you in every occasion with obedience and joy. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Jesus took the weight of our sins to the cross.

People: Christ died so that we might be free from sin
and alive to the possibilities of eternal life with God.

Leader: Through the amazing grace and love of God as shown on that Friday long ago, our sins are forgiven and we are freed to live as God's children.

ALL: **Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Amen!**

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Verse 2

THE FINAL WORDS OF CHRIST

(Following each sentence, a prayer will be said and will be followed by a time of silent prayer and meditation based upon those words. At any point during the prayers, please bring forward the slips of paper listing those things you need to put away to deepen your relationship with Jesus.)

"Father, forgive them, they do not know what they do!"

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"I assure you, this day you will be with me in paradise."

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"Woman, behold your son. Behold your mother."

HYMN **"Were You There?"** **No. 102**
Verse 3

"My God, my God! Why have you forsaken me?"

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"I thirst."

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"It is finished."

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

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Verse 4

DEPART IN SILENCE

(Please remain seated as long as you would like for prayer and meditation, then depart in silence remembering the Son of God who died for us.)

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Easter Sunday, April 16

Worship Services at 9:00 AM and 11:15 AM
Communion will be served at both worship services.

Easter Family Event and Easter Egg Hunt at 10:00 AM

Join us to celebrate the Resurrection!