

## A Good Friday Service

First Congregational United Church of Christ

6:00 p.m. April 7, 2023

- ❖ Designates: Stand if you are able.

### *Words of Greeting & Announcements*

- ❖ God is light, in whom there is no darkness at all.  
**Jesus Christ is the light of the world.**  
And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world,  
**And we loved darkness rather than light.**
- ❖ **Hymn #223 “What Wondrous Love Is This”**  
All Verses

### *Prayer of Confession and Words of Pardon*

**We all, like sheep, have gone astray. We have all turned to our own way. We have sinned and have been the cause of Christ’s suffering. Please forgive us, we pray. Remove the sins that distance us from You and from those we love and care about. Remove our selfishness, our pride, our envy, and our greed. Remove from us our thoughtless acts and words that hurt one another. Remove from us the tendency to hurt others out of revenge and anger. Forgive us please. Create in us a clean heart, O Lord. And renew in us a right spirit. Amen.**

In the name of the compassionate Christ, you are forgiven. For God has declared, “I forgive your evil ways and remember your sins no more!” Amen.

John 18:1-40

- ❖ **Hymn #195 “Old Rugged Cross”** All Verses

John 19:1-22

- Hymn “Were You There” (Insert)** Verses 1-2

Placing our sins at the Cross.

- Hymn #190 “Beneath the Cross of Jesus”**  
All Verses

John 19:23-42

- Hymn “Were You There” (Insert)** Verses 3-4

Sermon – Pastor Jon Gougeon

- ❖ **Hymn #224 “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”** All Verses

- ❖ Dismissal

May you leave this place with the assurance of forgiveness that is made possible through the sacrifice of Jesus Christ on the cross. Go forth in the hope and the anticipation of ultimate victory that comes with Easter. Go forth!

**Amen.**

(All depart in silence)

**Easter Sunday Services**

**7:00 a.m. Sunrise Service at Break Wall  
Followed by Continental Breakfast at Yacht Club**

**10:00 a.m. Easter Sunday Service  
Followed by Fellowship Time**

**All are welcomed and encouraged to join with  
us in celebrating the resurrection of the Lord!**

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