Good Friday

at First UMC West Dundee



Welcome!

Rise in body or in spirit where designated by * Please join in speaking the words in bold.

A Service for Good Friday

The First Reading

Luke 22:66-71

At daybreak the council of the elders of the people met together, and Jesus was led before them. "If you are the Christ," they said, "tell us." Jesus answered, "If I tell you, you will not believe me. But from now on, the Son of Man will be seated at the right hand of the mighty God." They all asked, "Are you then the Son of God?" He replied, "You are right in saying I am." Then they said, "Why do we need any more testimony? We have heard it from his own lips." Then the whole assembly rose and led him off to Pilate.

Hymn

Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross Verse 1 UMH #301

The Second Reading

Matthew 27:22-26

"What shall I do, then, with Jesus who is called Christ?" Pilate asked. They all answered, "Crucify him!" "Why? What crime has he committed?" asked Pilate. But they shouted all the louder, "Crucify him!" When Pilate saw that he was getting nowhere, but that instead an uproar was starting, he took water and washed his hands in front of the crowd. "I am innocent of this man's blood," he said. Then he had Jesus flogged, and handed him over to be crucified.

Hymn

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

UMH #298

The Third Reading

Mark 15:21-24

A certain man from Cyrene, Simon, the father of Alexander and Rufus, was passing by on his way in from the country, and they forced him to carry the cross. They brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha (which means The Place of the Skull). Then they offered him wine mixed with myrrh, but he did not take it. And they crucified him. Dividing up is clothes, they cast lots to see what each would get.

Instrumental Meditation

The Fourth Reading

John 19:19-22

Pilate had a notice prepared and fastened to the cross. It read: "Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews" in Aramaic, Latin and Greek. The chief priests protested to Pilate, "Do not write "The King of the Jews," but that this man claimed to be king of the Jews. Pilate answered, "What I have written, I have written."

Hymn Lamb of God

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The Fifth Reading

John 19:25-27

Near the cross of Jesus stood his mother, his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother there and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to his mother, "Dear woman, here is your son," and to the disciple, "Here is your mother." From that time on, this disciple took her into his home.

Instrumental Meditation

The Sixth Reading

Mark 15:33-34; 37-39

At the sixth hour darkness came over the whole land until the ninth hour. And at the ninth hour Jesus cried out in a loud voice, 'Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?' – which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" With a loud cry, Jesus breathed his last. The curtain of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom. And when the centurion who stood there in front of Jesus heard his cry and saw how he died, said, "Surely this man was the Son of God!"

Hymn Beneath the Cross of Jesus

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The Seventh Reading

As evening approached, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who had himself become a disciple of Jesus. Going to Pilate, he asked for Jesus' body, and Pilate ordered that it be given to him. Joseph took the body, wrapped it in a clean linen cloth, and placed it in his own new tomb that he had cut out of the rock. He rolled a big stone in front of the entrance to the tomb and went away.

Adult Education Forum

You're invited to join our weekly Adult Education Forum, where we explore meaningful questions about our faith, values, and beliefs. This forum is a welcoming space for open dialogue, reflection, and a deeper understanding of how our faith shapes our lives. We meet in the library from 8:45 to 9:45 on Sunday mornings prior to worship.

Fellowship Sundays - Share Your Favorite Treats!

Pick a Sunday to bring some of your favorite snacks or treats to share! Fellowship time is a wonderful opportunity for the congregation to gather, catch up, and welcome new friends. Sign up to host and help make our time together even more special!

Special Music

Do you or someone you know have a musical talent to share? We're coordinating music for our worship services and would love for you to be a part of it! Please reach out to Marcia or call/text 331-276-7979.

Our services are livestreamed on YouTube each Sunday at 10:00 a.m. Visit youtube.com/@fumcdundee or our website, fumcwd.org, to view our past services.

