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GOOD FRIDAY

March 29, 2013
7:30 p.m.

Order of Worship

(* Those who are able may stand. °°° Late arrivals will be seated.)

THE BELL TOLLS – *Welcoming us to worship God*

PRELUDE “In Death’s Strong Grasp the Savior Lay” J.S. Bach

A WORD OF WELCOME

(Offerings may be left in the plates by the doors in the Narthex and by Dodd Hall.)

INTROIT “Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley” American folk hymn

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Hebrews 10:16-18

Leader: This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord:

People: *I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds.*”

Leader: He also adds, “I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more.”

People: *Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.*

*HYMN #292 “What Wondrous Love is This” Wondrous Love

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COLLECT FOR GOOD FRIDAY *(seated, unison)* Hymnal #284

THE PSALTER Psalm 22 Hymnal p.752
(Response 1)

UNISON CONFESSION (Worship and Song Resources, edited)

Holy Savior, my betrayal set Judas against you, my denial stabbed Peter’s words into your heart, and my lies concealed your innocence. My sins were the thorns that pierced your scalp. The cross of my judgment was laid on you to carry. My greed divided your clothing and gambled

for your robe. My silence when others deride you makes me a partner in the insults that taunted you. Yet you, in love, gathered all my shame and guilt and buried it forever. Crucified Savior, help my confession to be honest and true, that your sacrifice not be in vain. Amen.

*SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(Please come to the Communion rail during the hymns for silent confession.

Kneel or stand as you are able.

The pastor will present you with a memento and a blessing from scripture.

When all have returned, the service will continue with the Pardon.)

HYMNS DURING THE CONFESSION

#297	“Beneath the Cross of Jesus”	St. Christopher
#295	“In the Cross of Christ I Glory”	Rathbun
#298	“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”	Hamburg

DECLARATION OF PARDON

THE LORD’S PRAYER Hymnal #895

THE ANTHEM “Go to Dark Gethsemane” The Adult Choir

THE PASSION ACCORDING TO ST. JOHN 18:1 – 19:42

HYMN #282 *(seated)* “’Tis Finished! The Messiah Dies” Olive’s Brow

THE MESSAGE “So Jesus Was Dead” Dr. Bodt

HYMN #288 *(seated)* “Were You There” Were You There

RESPONSIVE BENEDICTION Hebrews 10:19-25

L: Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God,

P: Let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.

L: Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful.

P: And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some,

All: but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching. *(Please depart in silence after the benediction.)*

Lectors: Bob Elliott and Kelly O'Hara

WELCOME TO GOOD FRIDAY WORSHIP

The service of Tenebrae ("Darkness") is based on a 12th century late night/early morning service meditating on the Passion of Christ. The reading from John's Gospel is translated by James H. Charlesworth as published in The United Methodist Book of Worship (1992, #354). Good Friday marks the second day of the *Triduum Sacrum* ("the three sacred days") of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday by which we recall our Lord's suffering and death.

Mary Taylor Memorial United Methodist Church is part of the world-wide family of Methodist churches. We are a Reconciling Congregation, welcoming all people regardless of sexual orientation.

THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD, EASTER DAY, March 31

7 a.m.

Resurrection service at Gulf Beach by the Methodist Youth Fellowship

7:30 a.m.

Breakfast by the Men's Club in Dodd Hall. All welcome.

8:30 and 10 a.m.

Identical Resurrection services of Holy Communion

with music by Bell and Adult Choirs; and "Praisemakers" at 10 a.m. only.

The message, "Now Comes the Good Part"

will be based on Psalm 118, I Corinthians 15:19-26 and John 20:1-18

**Please bring a flower on Easter to place in the wire-mesh cross
in front of the church. Watch as the resurrection blooms!
No Sunday School, Confirmation or MYF on Easter Day.**

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