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**\*Those who are able, please stand as marked**

*The St. Andrew's family warmly welcomes all visitors and newcomers!*

*If you are worshipping with us for the first time, please sign our Guest Book in the Narthex and join us for coffee and snacks after service.*

## Musical Prelude

### WELCOME TO OUR SERVICE

**\*Opening Hymn: Lead Me to Calvary** (*lyrics on screen*)

### WORDS OF WELCOME

#### Psalm 51

*(in-unison)*

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love, according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions. Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin. For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me. Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight; so, you are right in your verdict and justified when you judge. Surely, I was sinful at birth, sinful from the time my mother conceived me. Yet you desired faithfulness even in the womb; you taught me wisdom in that secret place. Cleanse me with hyssop, and I will be clean; wash me, and I will be whiter than snow. Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones you have crushed rejoice. Hide your face from my sins and blot out all my iniquity. Create in me a pure heart, O God, you are God my Saviour, and my tongue will sing of your righteousness. Open my lips, Lord, and my mouth will declare your praise. You do not delight in sacrifice, or I would bring it; you do not take pleasure in burnt offerings. My sacrifice, O God is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart you, God will not despise. May it please you to prosper Zion, to build up the walls of Jerusalem. Then you will delight in the sacrifices of the righteous, in burnt offerings offered whole; then bulls will be offered on your altar.

### GATHERING PRAYER

*(in-unison)*

Holy God, who has opened our ears to hear Your Word and our lips to proclaim Your Truth: open our eyes this day to see in the cross the revelation of Your love; through Jesus the Crucified; to whom with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, be honoured and praised, now and forever. Amen.

**\*Gathering Hymn: VU #133 – Go to Dark Gethsemane**  
*(lyrics on screen)*

## THE LESSONS

The Old Testament

**Isaiah 52:15, 53:12**

*The suffering servant despised and rejected*

The New Testament

**The Gospel of St. John 18:1-19:42**

*The Passion narrative*

**\*Hymn: VU #144 – Where You There?** *(lyrics on screen)*

**Sermon – Dying in Spite**

Rev. Scott Brown

## PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY

Lord, what happened?

In spite of your call to save the people;

In spite of the power, you wielded in the temple;

In spite of the gifts you gave us at our Passover celebrations;

*You died.*

Lord what happened?

In spite of the silliness of political football, they played you.

In spite of the love you showed the thief.

Despite all this.

*You died.*

Lord, what happens now?

In spite of what you told us about always being with us.

In spite of what you did for us, with us, to us and in us,

In spite of all this.

*You died.*

*What are we going to do now?*

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*(in unison)*

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day, our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

**\*Closing Hymn: VU#141 – They Crucified My Lord** *(lyrics on screen)*

**Musical Postlude**

*Thank you*

### **Worship Leaders**

Rev. Scott Brown – Presider

Vince Anderson – Lead Musician

Robert Woodbury – Cantor

### **Technical Support**

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