Worship Outline
Good Friday
April 15, 2022

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

Leader: The night is as silent as death.

**People: Gone are the loud hosannas sang by children in the streets.**

Leader: The dishes remain unwashed in the upper room.

**People: The dregs from Jesus’ cup have turned sour, the crumbs from Jesus’ plate have grown stale.**

Leader: Thirty pieces of silver buy the betrayal of a friend.

**People: Three questions in a courtyard shatter pledges of loyalty and love.**

Leader: The cock crows; the whip cracks; the hammer falls.

**People: The night is as silent as death.**

Hymn “Go to Dark Gethsemane” (verses 1-3) Hymnal #290

Prayer (unison)

**Elusive One, suffering is a bottomless well. Where do you go when all hope fades? Where do you hide when grief and pain strip us of everything we hold dear? We seek your presence and turn to you for rescue, only to bear the excruciating emptiness of your absence. Your ways are beyond us, mysterious One, cloaking us like a funeral shroud. Be with us when all lights go out and we stumble blindly in the dark. Be with us, even when we deny and betray you. AMEN.**

Cantata “The Seven Last Days: A Tenebrae Service”

At the conclusion of the music, please exit the sanctuary quietly.

Join us for Easter Sunday worship at 8:15am and 9:30am, in person or online (www.htumc.org)