

## Order of Service for Good Friday – 18<sup>th</sup> April 2025

**Welcome to our Good Friday Meditative Service.  
Tom Watts will be leading our time together this morning.**

### Welcome

**Song: 'The power of the cross'**

#### **OH TO SEE THE DAWN OF THE DARKEST DAY**

Christ on the road to Calvary  
Tried by sinful men torn and beaten then  
Nailed to a cross of wood

*This the pow'r of the cross  
Christ became sin for us  
Took the blame bore the wrath  
We stand forgiven at the cross*

Oh to see the pain written on Your face  
Bearing the awesome weight of sin  
Ev'ry bitter thought ev'ry evil deed  
Crowning Your bloodstained brow

Now the daylight flees now the ground beneath  
Quakes as its Maker bows His head  
Curtain torn in two dead are raised to life  
Finished the vict'ry cry

Oh to see my name written in the wounds  
For through Your suff'ring I am free  
Death is crushed to death life is mine to live  
Won through Your selfless love

*This the pow'r of the cross  
Son of God slain for us  
What a love what a cost  
We stand forgiven at the cross*

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**Reading:** Matthew 26:1-16 on page 995 – ‘Devotion and betrayal’  
(Gavin Ling)

**Music:** ‘Behold the lamb of God’

**Reading:** Matthew 26:17-35 on page 996 – ‘Sacrifice and sin’  
(Gussie Staton)

**Music:** ‘Surely he hath borne our griefs’

**Reading:** Matthew 26:36-56 pm page 997 - ‘Agony and obedience’  
(Kerry Jone)

**Prayers:** Corinne Brixton

**Reading:** Matthew 26:57-75 on page 997 – ‘Trial and denial’  
(Roger Staton)

**Music:** ‘And with his stripes we are healed’

**Reading:** Matthew 27:1-31 on page 998 – ‘Condemnation and innocence’  
(Corinne Brixton)

**Music:** ‘All we like sheep’

**Reading:** Matthew 27:32-56 on page 999 – ‘Crucifixion and kingship’  
(Clare Ross)

**Music:** ‘Behold and see’

**Song: 'My song is love unknown'**

**MY SONG IS LOVE UNKNOWN**

My Saviour's love to me  
Love to the loveless shown  
That they might lovely be  
O who am I  
That for my sake  
My Lord should take  
Frail flesh and die

He came from His blest throne  
Salvation to bestow  
But men made strange and none  
The longed-for Christ would know  
But O my Friend  
My Friend indeed  
Who at my need  
His life did spend

Sometimes they strew His way  
And His sweet praises sing  
Resounding all the day  
Hosannas to their King  
Then Crucify  
Is all their breath  
And for His death  
They thirst and cry

They rise and needs will have  
My dear Lord made away  
A murderer they save  
The Prince of Life they slay  
Yet cheerful He  
To suffering goes  
That He His foes  
From thence might free

In life no house no home  
My Lord on earth might have  
In death no friendly tomb  
But what a stranger gave  
What may I say  
Heaven was His home  
But mine the tomb  
Wherein He lay

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Here might I stay and sing  
No story so divine  
Never was love dear King  
Never was grief like Thine  
This is my Friend  
In whose sweet praise  
I all my days  
Could gladly spend

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**Final Reading:        Matthew 27:57-66 on page 1000 (Tom Watts)**

**Closing Prayer**