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During worship service, the library is available for families wanting to watch the livestream. Nursery is available in Room 104 for children ages 0-5 years. See Ushers for assistance.

**Plainclothes law enforcement officers** are present during our services so that all may feel welcome, secure and free to worship, fellowship and experience God's grace freely. Our staff members are in direct communication with the officers should you feel the need to ask for assistance or voice a concern.





Central United Methodist Church April 17, 2025 | 6:00 pm

Good Friday		
April 18, 2025	6:00 pm	

PRELUDE "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" arr. Dan Aune

**CALL TO WORSHIP** Rev. Dr. Mary Brown

\*HYMN 296 "Sing, My Tongue, the Glorious Battle" PICARDY

\*PRAYER Rev. Dr. Mary Brown

Almighty God,

We are here to remember what we would never forget: That your Son, Jesus Christ, was lifted high upon the cross for the salvation of the world.

We remember – but we would rather forget the details. We would rather forget the depth of his suffering. Be with us as we keep watch.

Hold us as we listen.

Help us to be here, now – even as we hope for Sunday. Amen.

**OFFERTORY** "Lamb of God, What Wondrous Love" Faure/Petker
Chancel Choir

You are invited to enter into a spirit of reflecting on Christ's offering for us and what we might offer in return. The altar rail is open for those who might like to kneel and pray. Any monetary gifts left at the altar will go to the "Way Home" Offering, providing bus tickets for people who need help with transportation.

## THE PASSION OF JESUS CHRIST

The readings given below are by James J. Charlesworth. We are thankful for the accuracy of his translations that give special sensitivity to Jews, Judaism, Jesus' Jewishness, and the Jewish origins of Christianity.

First Reading Second Reading	John 18:1-11 John 18:12-14	Robin Smith
*Hymn 289	"Ah, Holy Jesus"	HERZLIEBSTER JESU
Third Reading Fourth Reading	John 18:15-18 John18:19-24	Susan Cooper

ANTHEM "	God So Loved the World Chancel Choir	John Stainer	
Fifth Reading Sixth Reading	John 18:25-27 John 18:28-32	Anne Walling	
<b>ANTHEM</b> "When	You Prayed Beneath the Chancel Choir	Trees" Idle/Larson	
Seventh Reading Eighth Reading	John 18:33-38a John 18:38b-40	Kathy Leftwich	
ANTHEM	"Wondrous Love" Chancel Choir	Tucker/Cameron	
Ninth Reading Tenth Reading	John 19:1-11 John 19:12-16	Bill Haggard	
<b>Hymn 285</b> "To Mock Your Reign, O Dearest Lord" KINGSFOLD			
Eleventh Reading Twelfth Reading	John 19:17-22 John 19:23-24	Jen Russ	
ANTHEM	"Thy Will Be Done" Chancel Choir	Craig Courtney	
Thirteenth Reading Fourteenth Reading	John 19:25-27 John 19:28-30	Alexandra Holland	
ANTHEM	"When Jesus Wept" Chancel Choir	Phillip L. Roberts	
Fifteenth Reading	John 19:31-37	Tom Russell	

Silence

\*Hymn 286 "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" PASSION CHORALE

Rev. Dr. Mary Brown

John 19:38-42

Depart in silence.

\*Dismissal

**Sixteenth Reading** 

\*Please stand, if you are able.