FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Friday, March 25, 2016 Good Friday

Please stand at items marked * if you are able.

Passages in **Bold Print** are to be spoken in Unison

Organ Prelude – Hymn and Quiet Reflection

Rev. Susan Mattinson and Rev. Andre Korstanje

Organist – Min Yeong Sin

Music Director- Kendall House

WE GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

Introit

* Entry of the Bible

Call to Worship - Colin Rackham

(See Insert)

* Hymn: "What wondrous love it this"

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Opening Prayer:

Loving God, it seems impossible that anyone would give what you did to save men and women like us;

But, you gave yourself freely for our sakes.

It seems unimaginable that anyone could love the way you did, including outcasts, rebels, and even your persecutors, and refusing to strike back;

But, you loved so much that you laid down your life for our sakes.

It seems inconceivable that anyone would offer the forgiveness that you did, even as nails pierced your flesh and the cross was stained with your blood;

But, you did not hold our sin against us and took on yourself the suffering that should have been ours.

Forgive us, for we have allowed greed and violence, pride and deceit, bitterness and coldness to have a place in our hearts;

And fill us with your immeasurable grace, your inexhaustible love, and your unconquerable life, that we may be changed and express our love and devotion through lives of worship. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Choir Anthem: "Ave Verum"

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Bible Reading:

John 19: 1-16 P. 113 N.T.

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* Hymn: "Go to dark Gethsemane"

Sermon: "Amazing Love" - Rev. Andre Korstanje

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Special Music: "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

(Rev. Susan Mattinson)

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer (debtsdebtors)

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

* Hymn: "Man of sorrows, wondrous name" #210

Blessing

Please join us for food and fellowship downstairs following the service.

