

An Order for the Worship of God

April 3, 2026 – Good Friday

Ring of the Bells

Welcome & Announcements - Candle Lighting and Prelude

*Please stand, if able

Call to Worship: based on Psalm 22 (Liturgist – Congregation)

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

Yet, you are holy, enthroned on the praises of Israel.

In you, our ancestors trusted; they trusted, and you delivered them.

To you they cried, and were saved; in you, they trusted, and were not put to shame.

Let us worship God!

*Opening Hymn: #171, Go to Dark Gethsemane

Opening Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Great God of the covenant, in you we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, in the new and living way he opens to us through his sacrifice on our behalf. With true hearts in full assurance of faith, sprinkled clean from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water, we hold fast to our confession of hope. You have promised new life and you can be trusted! We cross the threshold and enter the sanctuary to sing you our praises. Be pleased with our worship as we honor your name. Amen

New Testament Reading: Hebrews 4:14-16

Liturgist: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

*Gloria Patri: #558 (PILGRIM)

Gospel Reading: Luke John 18:1-19

Liturgist: This is the gospel message of our Lord and Savior

All: May the reading and the hearing of Your word inform our minds, comfort our souls, and guide our feet.

Sermon: Betrayal and Reconciliation

*Responsive Hymn: Were You There, Pastor Jerry

*Doxology #562 (Pilgrim)

Offering Prayer:

You who know our inmost being, connect our hearts with our pockets. Be the peacemaker which fills our lives with the steady rhythm of generosity, our pockets opening and closing in love. Even after a lifetime, they'll still be filled with grace, pressed down, shaken together, and overflowing. That's a treasure worth keeping. Amen.

*Closing Hymn: #170, When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

The Lord's Prayer – Please pray in a whisper – Repeat twice

Benediction

We go in peace to love and serve the Lord in the name of Christ. Amen.

Please exit the sanctuary in silence while the bell is tolled.

*Extinguishing the Candles

If you have brought an offering tonight, please leave it in the

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH



Worship Leaders

Pastor

Liturgist

Director of Music

Jerry Eisner

Kathy Stowers

Sue Laubenheimer

Welcome Visitors! Thank you for joining this congregation for worship. You are welcome and encouraged to participate in all functions of the church. Please pick up a *Welcome!* Folder as you exit the church to learn more about the offerings of St. Jacobi Congregational Church!
We are happy you are here!

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