

Sometimes, the world is overwhelming and it seems like nothing will ever be okay again. It happens to everybody, even Jesus. And when that happens, we can bring our lament to God. No matter who you are or what you're feeling today, you're welcome to worship with us.

Service of Worship

Good Friday
April 10, 2020

Greeting

Lighting the Candles

Song:

Sanctuary

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Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary,
pure and holy, tried and true.
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living
sanctuary for you.

Scripture: Psalm 13

Lamenting Together

- What is a lament?
- Writing our own laments
- Burying our laments

The Passion Story

Stripping the Altars

Song:

Were You There

UMH 288

Afro-American spiritual

1. Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Oh! sometimes it causes me to tremble,
Tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
2. Were you there when they nailed him to the tree...
3. Were you there when they pierced him in the side...

4. Were you there when the sun refused to shine...
5. Were you there when they laid in him the tomb...

Benediction

Leave the Zoom call in silence.

Thanks as always to Kathy Wiggins, director of music at Whittier UMC, and Pati Graham, lay leader at Bryson City UMC, for leading us in music this evening. Thanks also to Pastors Beverly Parker-Reece and Eric Reece of Robbinsville UMC and Pastor Wayne Dickert of Bryson City UMC for their help with tonight's service and throughout Holy Week.

Join us for a 24-hour Prayer Vigil, beginning tonight at 8pm and ending with an Easter Vigil Celebration tomorrow at 6:30pm, and check our website or facebook page for an Easter Sunday message from Pastor Jo on Sunday morning.

Weekly Online: 10:00 am, Sunday - Sunday School
 11:00 am, Sunday - Morning Worship
 6:00pm, Wednesday - Evening Worship

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