

GOOD FRIDAY

Tenebrae Service



Friday, April 15, 2022 ~ Good Friday Tenebrae Worship

7:00 p.m. Worship (Sanctuary)

THE SERVICE OF TENEBRAE, meaning “darkness” or “shadows”, has been practiced by the church since medieval times. Once a service for the monastic community, Tenebrae later became an important part of the worship services during Holy Week. Tonight we join Christians down through the ages and throughout the world in using the liturgy of Tenebrae. Tenebrae is a prolonged meditation on Christ’s suffering. Readings trace the story of Christ’s passion, music portrays his paths, and the power of silence and darkness suggest the drama of this momentous day. We remember that God revealed his great love for us most fully in the cross of Jesus Christ.

Welcome and Work of God’s People

Stuart Spencer

Music in Preparation for Worship

Before Thy Throne I Now Appear

Joel Krott, Organ

J.S. Bach BWV 668

Call to Worship

Stuart Spencer

Come, let us gather again in the shadow of the Cross of Christ.

We gather to remember the overwhelming evidence of Love’s ultimate sacrifice.

Who would have guessed that the height and depth, the length and width of God’s love might look like this: a forsaken savior on a cross?

Certainly not us. Not us, who are too often lost amid the world’s distractions and responsibilities.

Not us, for whom such love was offered without cost.

Let us gather again in the shadow of the Cross of Christ and commit ourselves to remember the price paid.

Let us live our lives in a way that indicates why this Friday is called “Good.”

Thanks be to God, who opened the gates of heaven, that we might have the faith, hope, and love, witnessed in Christ’s sacrifice for our salvation.

***Hymn No. 221 (congregation)**

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

Prayer

Stuart Spencer

Call to Confession

Wes Allen

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Wes Allen

We all, like sheep, have gone astray. We have all turned to our own way.
We have sinned and have been the cause of Christ's suffering.
Please forgive us, we pray. Remove the sins that distance us from you
and from those we love and care about. Remove our selfishness, our pride, our envy,
and our greed. Remove from us our thoughtless acts and words that hurt one another.
Remove from us the tendency to hurt others out of revenge and anger. Forgive us please.
Create in us a clean heart, O Lord. And renew in us a right spirit. Amen.

Special Music

The Crucifixion

Barber

Gwen Wilkie, Alto; Kathy Gunsallus, Piano

At the cry of the first bird they began to crucify Thee, O Swan!
Never shall lament cease because of that.
It was like the parting of day from night.
Ah, sore was the suff'ring borne by the body of Mary's Son,
But sorer still to Him the grief which for His sake Came upon His Mother.

Scripture Reading

Paul Savage

Mark 15: 33-39

Meditation

Paul Savage

"The Marks of a King"

Scripture Text: [Mark 15: 15-39 \(NLT\)](#)

***Hymn No. 115 (verses 1 & 4)**

Fairest Lord Jesus

THE SERVICE OF SHADOWS (*Tenebrae*)

Shadow of Betrayal

Matthew 26: 17-29

Reader: Harris Ransom

Response: My Savior Was Betrayed

Gwen Wilkie, Alto

Hassler

My Savior was betrayed, reproach and pain to meet;
My sins the Lord conveyed 'fore Pilate's judgment seat;
These, these did Him deliver into the foe's dire hand;
I should have felt forever the pangs my Lord sustained.

Shadow of Desertion

Matthew 26: 31-35

Reader: Ava Gandy

Response: O Sacred Head

Joel Krott, Organ

Kuhnau

Shadow of Loneliness

Matthew 26: 36-46

Reader: Bryan Gaskill

Response: 'Tis Midnight and on Olive's Brow

Gwen Wilkie, Alto

Bradbury

'Tis midnight: and on Olive's brow the star is dimmed that lately shown.
'Tis midnight: in the garden now the suffering Savior prays alone.
'Tis midnight: and from all removed, the Savior wrestles lone with fears;
E'en that disciple whom he loved heeds not his Master's grief and tears.

Darkness of Accusation

Matthew 26: 57-68

Reader: Alivia Nawrocki

Response: Meditation for Lent

Choristers and Chapel Choir Girls; Carol Manion, Piano

Bedford

There is a green hill far away, outside a city wall,
Where our dear Lord was crucified Who died to save us all.
O dearly, dearly has He loved! And we must love Him too,
And trust in His redeeming love, and try His will to do.

Ah, holy Jesus, how have You offended,
That we to judge You have in hate pretended?
By foes detruded, by Your own rejected,
O most afflicted.

Shadow of the Crucifixion

Luke 23: 32-43

Reader: Lily Rykaczewski

Response: When on the Cross the Savior Hung

Joel Krott, Organ

J.S. Bach BWV621

Response: When on the Cross the Savior Hung

Gwen Wilkie, Alto

Lutheran Chorale

When on the cross the Savior hung, and that sore load that on Him weighed,
With bitter pangs His nature wrung. Seven words amid His pain He said;
Oh let them well to heart be laid.

Shadow of Death

Mark 15: 33-39

Reader: Wes Allen

Response: Calvary's Mournful Mountain Climb

Gwen Wilkie, Alto

Redhead

Calvary's mournful mountain climb; there adoring at His feet,
Mark that miracle of time, God's own sacrifice complete:
"It is finished!" hear Him cry; learn of Jesus Christ to die.

Shadow of the Grave

John 19: 38-42; Isaiah 53: 5-9

Reader: Paul Savage

Response: Resting From His Work Today

Gwen Wilkie, Alto

Resting from His work today, in the tomb the Savior lay;
Still He slept, from head to feet shrouded on the winding sheet,
Lying in the tomb alone, hidden by the sealed stone.
So with Thee, till life shall end. I would solemn vigil spend;
Let me hew Thee, Lord a shrine in this rocky heart of mine,
Where in pure embalmed cell, none but Thee may ever dwell.

All depart in silence

7:00 p.m. Worship Ministry

Organist:	Joel Krott
Pianist:	Kathy Gunsallus
Audio Technician:	Harris E. Ransom
Live Video Streaming:	Harris A. Ransom
Ushers:	John Miller and Jack Terry
Seminary Intern:	Paul Savage

- **"He Is Not Here, He Has Risen"** -- Worship with us on Easter Morning Sunday, April 17th at three services: 6:30 a.m. Sunrise Service (at the Cemetery Cross); 8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship (Sanctuary), and 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship (Miller Commons).
- The church office is CLOSED on Easter Monday April 18th.
- **NEW! The Sanctuary Hearing Assist system** now has new receivers which are speech and music capable, using our streaming sound, with zero delay. The system may be used with headphones, neck loops, and the new low profile surround earphone. The system is available during Sanctuary streaming times which include worship, music events, funerals, and weddings. Please see an usher if you need assistance.

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