

FRIDAY, MARCH 30, 2018 TENEBRAE SERVICE OF DARKNESS

Evening | 7:30 p.m..

Proclaiming Christ | Delighting in His Grace | Sharing in His Mission

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE OF TENEBRAE

Good Friday stands at the center of the cycle of Holy Week services. Following Maundy Thursday, recalling the Last Supper, Good Friday focuses on Jesus' abandonment and death. The service of Tenebrae, which means "shadows," is an extended meditation on the cross of Christ. Using Scripture passages, music, and light, the story of Jesus' betrayal, arrest, and crucifixion is retold. After each lesson a candle is extinguished until the final candle is quenched, symbolizing the death of our Lord. The service concludes without a benediction, awaiting the resurrection of our Lord on Easter morning.

PRELUDE "Elegy" Jorge Méndez

Chiara Dieguez, viola; Douglas Mears, piano; Fred Markey, organ

CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" Passion Chorale

What thou, my Lord, hast suffered Was all for sinners' gain;
Mine, mine was the transgression,
But thine the deadly pain.
Lo, here I fall, my Savior!
'Tis I deserve thy place;
Look on me with thy favor,
Vouchsafe to me thy grace.

CALL TO WORSHIP

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

HYMN "O Come and Mourn With Me Awhile" Hursley

O come and mourn with me awhile; O come ye to the Saviour's side; O come, together let us mourn; Jesus, our Lord, is crucified.

Have we no tears to shed for him, while soldiers scoff and Jews deride? Ah! Look how patiently he hangs; Jesus, our Lord, is crucified.

Seven times he spake, seven words of love; and all three hours his silence cried For mercy on the souls of men; Jesus, our Lord, is crucified.

A broken heart, a fount of tears, ask, and they will not be denied; Lord Jesus, may we love and weep, since thou for us art crucified.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION Rev. Corey Gray

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON 1 Timothy 1:15–16

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life.

HYMN NO. 624 "Doxology" Old Hundredth

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

John 19:31-37

page 906, pew Bible

ANTHEM

"Ah, Holy Jesus" Sanctuary Choir; Chiara Dieguez, viola Johann Crüger arr. John Ferguson

Ah, holy Jesus, how hast thou offended? By foes derided, by thine own rejected. Who was the guilty? Who brought this upon thee? Alas, my treason, Jesus, hath undone thee. 'Twas I, Lord Jesus, I crucified thee. 'Twas I.

Johann Heermann, trans. Robert Bridges

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION & THE LORD'S PRAYER

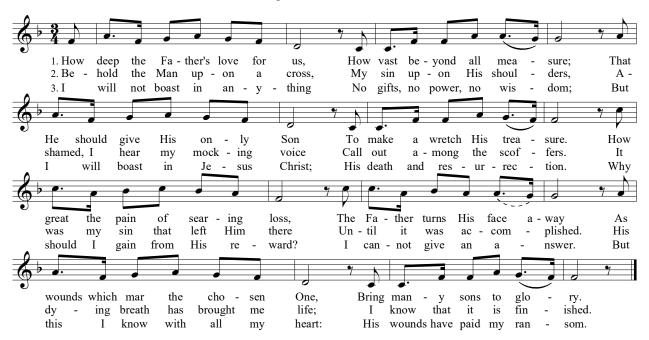
Rev. Thomas Myrick

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

HYMN

"How Deep the Father's Love for Us"

Stuart Townend



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GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

"O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" Sanctuary Choir; Chiara Dieguez, viola; Traci Klemm, piano Hans Leo Hassler arr. Joel Raney

O sacred head, now wounded, with grief and shame weighed down.

Now scornfully surrounded with thorns, thine only crown:

O sacred head, what glory, what bliss 'til now was thine;

Yet, though despised and gory, I joy to call thee mine.

What language shall I borrow to thank thee, dearest friend,
For this thy dying sorrow, thy pity without end?
O make me thine forever; and should I fainting be,
Lord, let me never, never outlive my love to thee.

Bernard of Clairvaux

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Zechariah 12:10-13:1

page 799, pew Bible

SERMON

"Looking on Him Who Was Pierced"

Dr. Todd M. Smedley

HYMN

"Rock of Ages"

New City Fellowship



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SERVICE OF TENEBRAE

LESSON I—Matthew 26:20–25 The Shadow of Betrayal

LESSON II—Matthew 26:30–35

The Shadow of Desertion

LESSON III—Luke 22:39–46

The Shadow of the Unshared Vigil

LESSON IV—Mark 14:43–65

The Shadow of Accusation

LESSON V—Matthew 26:69–75 *The Shadow of Denial*

LESSON VI—Matthew 27:27–38

The Shadow of Crucifixion

LESSON VII—Luke 23:44–49

The Shadow of Death

HYMN "When I Survey"

Hamburg

When I survey the wondrous cross On which the Prince of glory died, My richest gain I count but loss, And pour contempt on all my pride.

Silence is observed as we leave the Sanctuary in preparation for the resurrection of Christ.

EASTER SUNDAY SERVICES

6:00 a.m. Sunrise, 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.; and 6:00 p.m.