



REDEEMER
TRAVERSE CITY

**And Jesus said, "Father, forgive them,
for they know not what they do."
And they cast lots to divide his garments.**

—Luke 23:34

**The Lord's Service
March 30, 2018
Good Friday**

Welcome To Redeemer!

We are a church that exists to glorify God by making disciples, living in community, and doing good to all. If you are visiting our church today, we welcome you to our worship service and Christian community. Please be sure to fill out the Visitor Pad with your name and contact information so we can serve you better. Our facility is equipped with a **hearing assistance system**. Please ask one of the Deacons for a receiver.

Good Friday service is a sacred service for the Christian, as we remember Jesus' suffering and death on the cross for our sins. It is intentionally a somber service, as we cannot truly enter into the joy of Easter morning if we do not confront the darkness at Golgotha, and our sin which made it necessary.

Our service tonight is a "Tenebrae" service which means "darkness." This service has a long history in the Christian church, and impresses upon our minds and hearts the awful consequences of sin and the magnitude of our Savior's sacrifice as Jesus experienced the darkness of God's absence while on the cross. One candle will remain burning symbolizing that even in the midst of death and darkness, the forces of hell shall not prevail against the light of Christ, and that he will be raised again on the third day!

Please join us for Easter Sunday at 10:15 am

Good Friday Tenebrae Service

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Pastor Scott Korljan

Opening Hymn

“O Sacred Head”

Led by Lindsay Korljan, Teresa Kott, Jenny Morrison

O sacred Head, now wounded, with grief and shame weighed down
Now scornfully surrounded, with thorns Thine only crown.
How pale Thou art with anguish, with sore abuse and scorn.
How does that visage languish, which once was bright as morn!

O sacred feet, surrendered to climb the lonely hill,
to bear the verdict rendered, my sentence to fulfill.
Thy shoulders lift the burden, the pain that should be mine,
to offer me the pardon, and take my sin as Thine.

O sacred arms unfolding, outstretched upon the beam,
my eyes transfixed, beholding the heavy crimson stream.
Thy hands have given freely, O precious healing flow.
Lord, cover me completely and wash me white as snow.

*Chorus: O Lamb of God for sinners slain,
redemption's price; Your sacrifice my ransom paid.
O Bread of Life, broken now for me.
Your blood, the cup poured out in love, has set me free.*

O sacred heart, forgiving the scoffer and the thief,
now in Thy death the living are offered this relief:
The curse of sin is vanquished, the power of hell undone.
Thou crying, “It is finished!” The victory is won!

(Chorus)

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 out live my love for Thee.

Responsive Reading

Isaiah 53:3-7

The prophet Isaiah predicts the suffering and rejection that the coming Messiah will endure. The New Testament applies these prophecies directly to Jesus Christ.

Reader: He was despised and rejected by men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief;

People: **and as one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not.**

Reader: Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows;

People: **yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted.**

Reader: But he was wounded for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities;

People: **upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his stripes we are healed.**

Reader: All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned everyone to his own way;

People: **and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.**

Reader: He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth;

People: **like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he opened not his mouth.**

Responsive Reading

Psalms 22 1-8; 11-18

This is the psalm of Lament that Jesus quoted while on the cross. The psalm expresses his experience of forsakenness, rejection, and shame during his suffering and death.

Reader: My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Why are you so far from saving me, from the words of my groaning?

People: **O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer, and by night, but I find no rest.**

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

People: In you our fathers trusted; they trusted, and you delivered them.

Reader: To you they cried and were rescued;
in you they trusted and were not put to shame.

**People: But I am a worm and not a man,
scorned by mankind and despised by the people.**

Reader: All who see me mock me;
they make mouths at me; they wag their heads;

**People: "He trusts in the Lord; let him deliver him;
let him rescue him, for he delights in him!"**

Reader: Be not far from me, for trouble is near,
and there is none to help.

**People: Many bulls encompass me;
strong bulls of Bashan surround me;**

Reader: they open wide their mouths at me,
like a ravening and roaring lion.

**People: I am poured out like water,
and all my bones are out of joint;
my heart is like wax;
it is melted within my breast;**

Reader: my strength is dried up like a potsherd,
and my tongue sticks to my jaws;
you lay me in the dust of death.

**People: For dogs encompass me;
a company of evildoers encircles me;
they have pierced my hands and feet—**

Reader: I can count all my bones—
they stare and gloat over me;

**People: they divide my garments among them,
and for my clothing they cast lots.**

† =Stand, if able

Bold Words=Congregation

† Hymn

“Lamb of God”
Sung by Teresa Kott

Your only Son no sin to hide
But You have sent Him from Your side
To walk upon this guilty sod
And to become the Lamb of God

Your gift of love they crucified
They laughed and scorned Him as He died
The humble King they named a fraud
And sacrificed the Lamb of God

Oh Lamb of God, Sweet Lamb of God
I love the Holy Lamb of God
Oh wash me in His precious Blood
My Jesus Christ the Lamb of God

I was so lost I should have died
But You have brought me to Your side
To be led by Your staff and rod
And to be called a lamb of God

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Gospel Reading

Luke 23:32-38

³² Two others, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. ³³ And when they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified him, and the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. ³⁴ And Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." And they cast lots to divide his garments. ³⁵ And the people stood by, watching, but the rulers scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!" ³⁶ The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine ³⁷ and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" ³⁸ There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

Meditation "Radical, Unbelievable, Unconditional, Forgiveness"

Pastor Scott Korljan

Tenebrae (Darkness)

Reading of the Passion History

First Reading: “Jesus Before Pilate” *John 18:28-40*

First Hymn “What Wondrous Love Is This (**Verse 1 only**)

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,
what wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul!

Second Reading: “Jesus Delivered to be Crucified” *John 19:1-16*

Second Hymn “What Wondrous Love Is This (**Verses 2-3 only**)

To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing,
to God and to the Lamb, I will sing;
to God and to the Lamb, who is the great I AM,
while millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,
while millions join the theme, I will sing!
And when from death I’m free, I’ll sing on, I’ll sing on,
and when from death I’m free, I’ll sing on;
and when from death I’m free, I’ll sing and joyful be,
and through eternity I’ll sing on, I’ll sing on,
and through eternity I’ll sing on!

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Third Reading: “The Crucifixion” *John 19:17-28*

Third Hymn “Man of Sorrows! What a Name (Verses 1-3 only)

**Man of Sorrows! what a name for the Son of God, who came
ruined sinners to reclaim: Hallelujah! What a Savior!**

**Bearing shame and scoffing rude, in my place condemned he stood,
sealed my pardon with his blood: Hallelujah! What a Savior!**

**Guilty, vile, and helpless we; spotless Lamb of God was he;
full atonement! can it be? Hallelujah! What a Savior!**

Fourth Reading: “The Death of Jesus” *John 19:28-37*

Fourth Hymn “Man of Sorrows! What a Name (Verses 4-5 only)

**Lifted up was he to die, “It is finished!” was his cry;
now in heav’n exalted high: Hallelujah! What a Savior!**

**When he comes, our glorious King, all his ransomed home to bring,
then anew this song we’ll sing: Hallelujah! What a Savior!**

Fifth Reading: “Jesus is Buried” *John 19:38-42*

Fifth Hymn “How Deep the Father’s Love for Us” (Verse 1 only)

How deep the Father’s love for us, how vast beyond all measure;
That He should give His only Son to make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss; the Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the Chosen One bring many sons to glory.

Sixth Reading: “Guards Secure Jesus’ Tomb” *Matthew 27:62-66*

Sixth Hymn “How Deep the Father’s Love for Us’ (Verses 2-3 only)

Behold the Man upon a cross, my sin upon His shoulders;
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held Him there until it was accomplished.
His dying breath has brought me life; I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything: no gifts, no power, no wisdom;
But I will boast in Jesus Christ; His death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer.
But this I know with all my heart: His wounds have paid my ransom.

Prayer of Committal

Father, though now we watch and wait in darkness at the closed entrance of a tomb, we bring you praise for the death that conquers death and becomes the only path to life.

Forgive us when we forget that death is not the final word;

Forgive us when we fail to trust the resilience of your life;

Forgive us when we lose heart, and stop waiting for resurrection.

Remind us of your sacrifice, your love and your power;

And renew us in faith, we pray. Amen.

Strepitus

A book is loudly closed symbolizing the sealing of Jesus' tomb.

*The sanctuary will remain in total darkness
as we silently follow the burning Paschal candle out.*

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