

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE OF TENEBRAE

APRIL 19, 2019

7:30 p.m.



*“He himself bore our sins
in his body on the cross,
so that, free from sins,
we might live for righteousness.
By his wounds you have been healed.”*

1 Peter 2:24



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GATHERING AS THE CHURCH

Asterisks () indicate an invitation to stand as you are able.*

GATHERING

Adagio in G Minor

Remo Giazotto / Tomaso Albinoni

SOLEMN PROCESSION

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Come and see the beloved Son of God.

He is high and lifted up.

Come and see the Ruler of the nations.

He is high and lifted up.

Come and see the Savior of the world.

He is high and lifted up—upon a cross

* HYMN

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

1. O sa - cred Head, now wound - ed, with grief and shame weighed down, now scorn - ful - ly sur -
2. What thou, my Lord, hast suf - fered was all for sin - ners' gain; mine, mine was the trans -
3. What lan - guage shall I bor - row to thank thee, dear - est friend, for this thy dy - ing

roun - ed with thorns, thine on - ly crown: how pale thou art with an - guish, with
gres - sion, but thine the dead - ly pain. Lo, here I fall, my Sav - ior! 'Tis
sor - row, thy pit - y with - out end? O make me thine for - ev - er; and

sore a - buse and scorn! How does that vis - age lan - guish which once was bright as morn!
I de - serve thy place; Look on me with thy fa - vor, vouch - safe to me thy grace.
should I faint - ing be, Lord, let me nev - er, nev - er out - live my love to thee.

Words: Anonymous Latin; trans. by Paul Gerhardt and James W. Alexander (Matthew 27:27-31; Mark 15:16-20; John 19:1-5)

Music: PASSION CHORALE - Hans L. Hassler; harm. by J. S. Bach, alt.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We confess to You, our Lord and Savior,
that we have betrayed and denied You,
forgotten and doubted You.

When our faith is tested,
we wonder where You are.

When we see injustice in the world,
we often stand by,
we turn our backs,
we ignore the cries of others.

We confess that again and again
we deny You and betray You with our silence
when we fail to proclaim Your Good News,
when we fail to live out Your teachings
and love our neighbor as ourselves.

Forgive us, O God,
and help us to truly repent.

Help us to remember Your sacrifice, Your love,
and to know Your forgiveness.

In the name of the One who lived,
who was crucified,
and who lives again,
Jesus the Messiah,
we pray.

Amen.

Mindi Welton-Mitchelle

A SERVICE OF DARKNESS

Dale Wood

I. **Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do.**

Luke 23:26-34

As they led him away, they seized a man, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming from the country,
and they laid the cross on him and made him carry it behind Jesus.

A great number of the people followed him,
and among them were women who were beating their breasts and wailing for him.

But Jesus turned to them and said,

“Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me,
but weep for yourselves and for your children.

For the days are surely coming when they will say,
‘Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bore,
and the breasts that never nursed.’

Then they will begin to say to the mountains,
‘Fall on us’; and to the hills, ‘Cover us.’

For if they do this when the wood is green,
what will happen when it is dry?”

Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him.

When they came to the place that is called The Skull,
they crucified Jesus there with the criminals,
one on his right and one on his left.

Then Jesus said, “Father, forgive them;
for they do not know what they are doing.”

And they cast lots to divide his clothing.

Anthem**O Come and Mourn with Me Awhile**

O come and mourn with me awhile;
 O come ye to the Savior'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 foes deride?
 How patiently he hangs: Jesus, our Lord, is crucified.
 Seven times he spoke, seven words of love;
 and all three hours his silence cried for mercy on the souls of men:
 Jesus, our Lord, is crucified!
 O love of God, O sin of man!
 In this dread act your strength is tried;
 and victory remains with love:
 for he, our Love, is crucified!

F.W. Faber

Extinguish First Candle**Silent Meditation****II. Today shalt thou be with me in paradise.****Luke 23:35-43**

And the people stood by, watching;
 but the leaders scoffed at him, saying,
 "He saved others;
 let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!"
 The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying,
 "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!"
 There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."
 One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying,
 "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!"
 But the other rebuked him, saying,
 "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation?
 And we indeed have been condemned justly,
 for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds,
 but this man has done nothing wrong."
 Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."
 He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

Anthem**Hear Us, Holy Jesus**

Hear us, Holy Jesus.
 Jesus, pitying the sighs of the thief, who near thee dies,
 promising him paradise: hear us, Holy Jesus.
 May we in our guilt and shame still thy love and mercy claim,
 calling humbly on thy name: hear us, Holy Jesus.
 May our hearts to thee incline, looking from our cross to thine;
 cheer our souls with hope divine: hear us, Holy Jesus.

Thomas Benson Pollock

Extinguish Second Candle**Silent Meditation**

Extinguish Fourth Candle

Silent Meditation

V. I thirst.

John 19:28-29

After this, when Jesus knew that all was now finished,
he said (in order to fulfill the scripture), "I am thirsty."
A jar full of sour wine was standing there.
So they put a sponge full of the wine on a branch of hyssop and held it to his mouth.

Anthem

Jesus, In Thy Thirst and Pain

Jesus, in thy thirst and pain,
while thy wounds thy life blood drain;
thirsting more our love to gain.
Thirst for us in mercy still,
all thy holy work fulfill;
satisfy thy loving will.
May we thirst thy love to know;
lead us in our sin and woe,
lead us where the healing waters flow.

Thomas Benson Pollock

Extinguish Fifth Candle

Silent Meditation

VI. It is finished.

John 19:30

When Jesus had received the wine, he said,
"It is finished."
Then he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

Anthem

O Perfect Life of Love

O perfect life of love, all is finished now;
all that he left his throne above to do for us below!
No pain that we can share but he has felt its smart;
all forms of human grief and care have pierced that tender heart.
All is finished now!
In perfect love he dies for me!
O all-atoning Sacrifice, I cling by faith to thee.

Henry Williams Baker

Extinguish Sixth Candle

Silent Meditation

VII. Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit.

Luke 23:44-46

It was now about noon,
and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon,
while the sun's light failed; and the curtain of the temple was torn in two.
Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said,
"Father, into your hands I commend my spirit."
Having said this, he breathed his last.

Anthem

Behold the Lamb of God

Behold the Lamb of God, bowed down in bitter pain;
to God his dying prayer ascends.
In death, my Lord and Savior, may I cry with thee:
"My Father I commend my Spirit into thy loving hands."
I die in thee.

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Hymn

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

1. When I sur - vey the won - drous cross on which the Prince of Glo - ry
2. For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ, my
3. See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sor - row and love flow min - gled
4. Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were an of - fering far to

died, my rich - est gain I count but loss, and pour con - tempt on all my pride.
God; all the vain things that charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to his blood.
down. Did e'er such love and sor - row meet, or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
small; love so a - maz - ing, so di - vine, de - mands my soul, my life, my all.

Words: Isaac Watts (Galations 6:14)

Music: HAMBURG - Lowell Mason

Extinguish Seventh Candle

Closing Prayer

Silent Recessional

Following the recessional, all are welcome to leave in silence. Those who wish are welcome to stay in an attitude of prayer, to come forward as you wish to the altar rail or to kneel before the cross.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Liturgists

Reverend Taylor Fuerst
Reverend Michael Mumme
Reverend Cathy Stone

Music Director/Organist

Scott Davis