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Thank you to our community choir for providing music this evening

Good Friday
Friday, April 14, 2017 | 7:00 pm



The word “tenebrae” comes from the Latin meaning “darkness.” The Tenebrae is an ancient Christian Good Friday service that makes use of gradually diminishing light through the extinguishing of candles to symbolize the events from the Last Supper through Jesus’ burial. This increasing darkness symbolizes the approaching darkness of Jesus’ death and of hopelessness in the world without God. The service concludes in darkness. Worship participants are asked to depart in silence to ponder the impact of Christ’s death and await the coming Resurrection.



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Music For Gathering

Welcome

*Call to Worship

Leader: Fear and fascination drew observers to the first Holy Friday. These emotions have attracted people ever since.

People: We cannot flee from the pain and suffering which Jesus experienced on our behalf.

Leader: And in our own trials, Jesus knows what it means to suffer as He bore our sorrows and grief to the cross.

People: Jesus felt the pain of the nails and the hammer.

Leader: Yet for us Christ would die that we might have life forever with him.

All: Therefore we remember the crucifixion, acknowledge our shortcomings, and worship with hope as we survey the wondrous love of Jesus Christ.

*Hymn *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* UMH #298

STATIONS OF THE CROSS IN LITURGY

1. JESUS WASHES HIS DISCIPLE'S FEET John 13: 1-5
Bible p. 870

2. JESUS' LAST MEAL WITH THE DISCIPLES Matthew 26: 26-29
Bible p. 808

3. JESUS PRAYS IN THE GARDEN Matthew 26: 36-46
Bible p. 808

Choral Anthem *Thy Will Be Done* Craig Courtney

4. JESUS IS BETRAYED Matthew 26: 14-16, 47-49
Bible p. 808-9

5. JESUS IS ARRESTED Matthew 26: 50-56
Bible p. 809

6. JESUS IS DENIED Luke 22: 54-62
Bible p. 858

*Hymn *O Sacred Head, Now Wounded* UMH #286

7. JESUS IS CONDEMNED Mark 15: 6-15
Bible p. 828-9

8. JESUS IS MOCKED Mark 15: 16-20
Bible p. 829

9. JESUS CARRIES HIS CROSS Mark 15: 21-25
Bible p. 829

10. JESUS IS NAILED TO THE CROSS Luke 23: 32-35
Bible p. 859-60

*Hymn *Were You There* UMH #288

11. JESUS DIES ON THE CROSS Mark 15: 33-39
Bible p. 829

12. JESUS IS BURIED Mark 15: 42-47
Bible p. 829

Praying Together

Unison
Like those followers standing faithfully at the cross, we have observed Your sacrifice Lord Jesus Christ. We are eternally grateful for Your faithfulness to God and sacrificial love for humanity. What looked to be death for You and defeat for Your followers is not the end of the story. For God is still working in our world. In response to this good news, help us to live with courage and compassion in Your name, that God may be glorified through our faithful response to Your undying love. Amen.

Stripping of the Altar

Christ has died. As his body is removed from the cross and prepared for the grave, so too, we remove the symbols of life and ministry from the sanctuary.

Music *Jesus Remember Me* (Unison)

*Jesus, remember me
when you come into your kingdom.
Jesus, remember me
when you come in to your kingdom.*

Sent forth into the world with silence