



Good Friday

7:30 p.m. Tenebrae Service

April 18, 2025



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Fill out one of the Connect cards located in the pew racks in front of you, and place in the offering plate.

The order of service is divided into several sections. Use this bulletin to participate in the worship service, noting parts spoken by the leader or the people, when to stand, sit, or kneel, and music for congregational singing.



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Tenebrae Order of Worship

GATHERING

ABOUT THE SERVICE

The Holy Week Service of Tenebrae is one of the oldest traditional observances of the Christian Church. As the service unfolds with the dramatic recounting of humanity's sin and Christ's death, the darkness gradually increases until only one light remains burning: the light of God's love, the light that darkness can never overcome. The service ends in silence.

PRELUDE

Love of God

arr. Knight

Rob & Barb Chase, Harrison Chase, trio

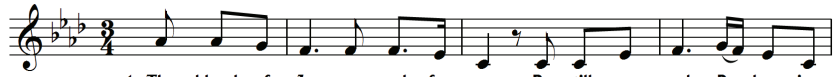
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A. Dvořák

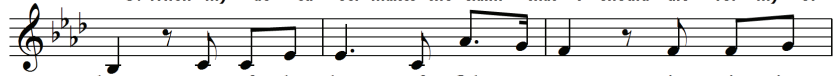
Leigh Marsh, Violin

GATHERING SONG (stand) *The Blood of Jesus Speaks for Me*

arr. Cottrell



1. The blood of Je - sus speaks for me Be still my soul. Re-deem-ing
2. My heart can bare - ly take it in; He par - dons all my guilt - y
3. When my ac - cu - ser makes the claim that I should die for my of -



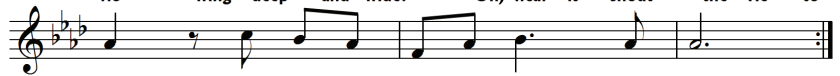
love out of the dust of Cal - va - ry is ris - ing
stains. Sur - ren - der all my shame to Him, He breaks the
fense, I point him to that rug - ged frame where I found



to the throne a - bove. There is no ven - geance in His cry, while "It is
curse of ev - 'ry chain. My sin is great, but great - er still, the bound - less
life at Christ's ex - pense. See from His hands, His feet, His side, the foun - tain



fin - ished," fills the sky. For - give - ness is the fi - nal
grace His heart re - veals. A mer - cy deep - er than the
flo - wing deep and wide. Oh, hear it shout the vic - to -



plea. The blood of Je - sus speaks for me. _____
sea,
ry;



Wor - thy is the Lamb, Lamb for sin - ners slain! Je - sus, Lord of all,
Heav - en cry - ing out, let the earth pro - claim; pow - er in the blood,

Glo - ry to His name! Je - sus Oh, let my
soul a - rise and sing. My con - fi - dence is not in vain. The One who
fights for me is King! His oath, His cov - e - nant re - main. No con - dem -
na - tion now I dread; e - ter - nal hope is mine in - stead. His Word will
stand; I stand re - deemed. The blood of Je - sus speaks for me.
A - maz - ing love, how can it be? The blood of
Je - sus speaks for me! For me! For me!

**PRAYER OF
THE DAY**

Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.

Let us pray, at this hour, O God Most High, while silence reigns and the sun hides its face, a world prostrate beneath its sins lifts its eyes to the cross, rejoicing that the tree of knowledge which brought the human race to its knees, has become the tree of life, lifting us up to redemption. Let the glorious cross forever stand as the sign of our worth in your eyes! As we behold innocence itself crucified in place of the guilty and Life put to death for sinners, may we take heart, remembering the prayer of the dying thief whose faith was rewarded. We ask this through your Son, the Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever.

Amen.

TENEBRAE



**COURTROOM
DRAMA**

Deuteronomy 1:16 NIV

(sit)

And I charged your judges at that time, "Hear the disputes between your people and judge fairly, whether the case is between two Israelites or between an Israelite and a foreigner residing among you."

HYMN
*When I Survey the
Wondrous Cross*

arr. Coates
(stand)



1. When I sur - vey the won - drous Cross
2. For - bid it, Lord that I should boast
3. See, from his head, his hands, his feet,
4. Were the whole realm of na - ture mine,

On which the Prince of Glo - ry died,
Save in the death of Christ, my God;
Sor - row and love flow min - gled down;
That were an off - 'ring far too small;

My rich - est gain I count but loss
All the vain things that charm me most,
Did e'er such love and sor - row meet,
Love so a - maz - ing, so di - vine,

And pour con - tempt on all my pride.
I sac - ri - fice them to His blood.
Or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
De - mands my soul, my life, my all.



PART 2

JUDAS?

Matthew 26:14-16 NIV
(sit)

SOLO

Then one of the Twelve—the one called Judas Iscariot—went to the chief priests and asked, “What are you willing to give me if I deliver him over to you?” So they counted out for him thirty pieces of silver. From then on Judas watched for an opportunity to hand him over.



PART 3

PETER?

Mark 14:66-72 NIV

While Peter was below in the courtyard, one of the servant girls of the high priest came by. When she saw Peter warming himself, she looked closely at him. “You also were with that Nazarene, Jesus,” she said. But he denied it. “I don’t know or understand what you’re talking about,” he said, and went out into the entryway. When the servant girl saw him there, she said again to those standing around, “This fellow is one of them.” Again he denied it. After a little while, those standing near said to Peter, “Surely you are one of them, for you are a Galilean.” He began to call down curses, and he swore to them, “I don’t know this man you’re talking about.” Immediately the rooster crowed the second time. Then Peter remembered the word Jesus had spoken to him: “Before the rooster crows twice you will disown me three times.” And he broke down and wept.

It Is Finished
Lauren Ratcliffe, solo

HYMN
Mercy with Jesus
Paid it All
 arr. Duren
 (stand)

1. I will kneel in the dust at the foot of the cross, where
 2. We will lift up the cup and the bread we will break, re -

(last time to coda)

mer - cy paid for me. Where the wrath I de - serve, it is
 mem - ber - ing Your love. We were fall - en from grace, but You

gone. It has passed. Your blood has hid - den me.
 took all our shame and nailed it to a cross.

Chorus: Mer - cy, mer - cy; as end - less as the sea. I'll
 sing Your hal - le - lu - jah for all e - ter - ni - ty. (repeat chorus
 2nd time)

May I nev - er lose the won - der; oh, the won - der of Your mer - cy.

May I sing Your hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah! A - men. (4 times, then
 D.C. al coda)

Je - sus paid it all. All to Him I owe.
 Sin had left a crim - son stain. He washed it white as snow.



PART 4

THE
ESTABLISHMENT
 Mark 14:56-65 NIV
 (sit)

Many testified falsely against him, but their statements did not agree. Then some stood up and gave this false testimony against him: "We heard him say, 'I will destroy this temple made with human hands and in three days will build another, not made with hands.'" Yet even then their testimony did not agree. Then the high priest stood up before them and asked Jesus, "Are you not going to answer? What is this testimony that these men are bringing against you?" But Jesus remained silent and gave no answer. Again the high priest asked him, "Are you the Messiah, the Son of the Blessed One?" "I am," said Jesus. "And you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the Mighty One and coming on the clouds of heaven." The high priest tore his clothes. "Why do we need any more witnesses?" he asked. "You have heard the blasphemy. What do you think?" They all condemned him as worthy of death. Then some began to spit at him; they blindfolded him, struck him with their fists, and said, "Prophecy!" And the guards took him and beat him.

ANTHEM

I Thirst
Craig Courtney
Christ Choir



PART 5

PILATE? **John 18:33-38** **and 19:1-11 NIV**

Pilate then went back inside the palace, summoned Jesus and asked him, "Are you the king of the Jews?" "Is that your own idea," Jesus asked, "or did others talk to you about me?" "Am I a Jew?" Pilate replied. "Your own people and chief priests handed you over to me. What is it you have done?" Jesus said, "My kingdom is not of this world. If it were, my servants would fight to prevent my arrest by the Jewish leaders. But now my kingdom is from another place." "You are a king, then!" said Pilate. Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. In fact, the reason I was born and came into the world is to testify to the truth. Everyone on the side of truth listens to me." "What is truth?" retorted Pilate. With this he went out again to the Jews gathered there and said, "I find no basis for a charge against him.

Then Pilate took Jesus and had him flogged. The soldiers twisted together a crown of thorns and put it on his head. They clothed him in a purple robe and went up to him again and again, saying, "Hail, king of the Jews!" And they slapped him in the face. Once more Pilate came out and said to the Jews gathered there, "Look, I am bringing him out to you to let you know that I find no basis for a charge against him." When Jesus came out wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe, Pilate said to them, "Here is the man!" As soon as the chief priests and their officials saw him, they shouted, "Crucify! Crucify!" But Pilate answered, "You take him and crucify him. As for me, I find no basis for a charge against him." The Jewish leaders insisted, "We have a law, and according to that law he must die, because he claimed to be the Son of God." When Pilate heard this, he was even more afraid, and he went back inside the palace. "Where do you come from?" he asked Jesus, but Jesus gave him no answer. "Do you refuse to speak to me?" Pilate said. "Don't you realize I have power either to free you or to crucify you?" Jesus answered, "You would have no power over me if it were not given to you from above. Therefore the one who handed me over to you is guilty of a greater sin."

HYMN **Ah, Holy Jesus** Heermann, Crüger (stand)



All 1 Ah, ho - ly Je - sus, how hast thou of - fend - ed that we to
Low Voices 2 Who was the guilt - y? Who brought this up - on thee? A - las, my
High Voices 3 Lo, the Good Shep - herd for the sheep is of - fered; the slave hath
All 4 For me, kind Je - sus, was thine in - car - na - tion, thy mor - tal
All 5 There - fore, kind Je - sus, since I can - not pay thee, I do a -



judge thee have in hate pre - tend - ed? By foes de - rid - ed,
trea - son, Je - sus, hath un - done thee. 'Twas I, Lord Je - sus,
sin - ned, and the Son hath suf - fered; for our a - tone - ment,
sor - row, and thy life's ob - la - tion; thy death of an - guish
dore thee, and will ev - er pray thee; think on thy pit - y



by thine own re - ject - ed, O most af - flict - ed.
 I it was de - nied thee; I cru - ci - fied thee.
 while we noth - ing heed - ed, God in - ter - ced - ed.
 and thy bit - ter pas - sion, for my sal - va - tion.
 and thy love un - swerv - ing, not my de - serv - ing.



PART 6

THE CROWD
 John 19:12-16 NIV
 (sit)

But if out of hate someone lies in wait, assaults and kills a neighbor, and then flees to one of these cities, the killer shall be sent for by the town elders, be brought back from the city, and be handed over to the avenger of blood to die. Show no pity. You must purge from Israel the guilt of shedding innocent blood, so that it may go well with you.

ANTHEM

Pietà

Joseph Martin
 Christ Choir; Leigh Marsh, Violin



PART 7

WHO IS ON TRIAL?
 Deuteronomy 19:11-13
 NIV

From then on, Pilate tried to set Jesus free, but the Jewish leaders kept shouting, "If you let this man go, you are no friend of Caesar. Anyone who claims to be a king opposes Caesar." When Pilate heard this, he brought Jesus out and sat down on the judge's seat at a place known as the Stone Pavement (which in Aramaic is Gabbatha). It was the day of Preparation of the Passover; it was about noon. "Here is your king," Pilate said to the Jews. But they shouted, "Take him away! Take him away! Crucify him!" "Shall I crucify your king?" Pilate asked. "We have no king but Caesar," the chief priests answered. Finally Pilate handed him over to them to be crucified. So the soldiers took charge of Jesus.

SOLO

Were You There

Traditional Spiritual
 Sofia Rohlman, soprano

VERSICLE AND RESPONSE
 (stand)

(repeated three times while Paschal Candle is removed from the Sanctuary)
Leader: Behold the life-giving cross, on which was hung the salvation of the world.
People: O come, let us worship him.

A loud drum roll represents the earthquake that occurred when Jesus died.
 The Paschal Candle is carried out of the room to symbolize the three days in the tomb.

STREPITUS

The slamming of the book symbolizes the closing of the tomb and Christ's final words, "It is finished."

LORD'S PRAYER

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 and ever. Amen.

BENEDICTION *The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.
Amen.*

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Easter Sunday

7:30 a.m. Sunrise Service *Fountain Plaza*
in-person only

8:45 a.m. Traditional *Sanctuary*

10:00 a.m. The Bridge *Christ Chapel*
No Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Contemporary *Sanctuary*

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