

Our Father's Lutheran Church



Friday, April 7th, 2023

Good Friday

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WHAT IS A TENEBRAE SERVICE?

The service of Tenebrae, meaning “darkness” or “shadows,” has been practiced by the church since medieval times. Once a service for the monastic community, Tenebrae later became an important part of the worship of the common folk during Holy Week. We join Christians of many generations throughout the world in using the liturgy of Tenebrae.

Tenebrae is a prolonged meditation on Christ’s suffering. Readings trace the story of Christ’s passion, music portrays his pathos, and the power of silence and darkness suggests the drama of this momentous day. As lights are extinguished, we ponder the depth of Christ’s suffering and death; we remember the cataclysmic nature of his sacrifice as we hear the overwhelming sound of the “strepitus”; and through the return of the small but persistent flame of the Christ candle at the conclusion of the service, we anticipate the joy of ultimate victory.

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THIS WEEK AT OFLC:

Sunday:

Easter Sunrise Service: 7am

Morning Worship: 9 am

Sunday School: 9 am

Easter Breakfast: After 9am Worship

Monday:

Nourishing Hope: All day

Wednesday:

Bible Study: 10am

Bell Choir: 5:30pm

Engage & Confirm: 6pm

Choir: 6:30pm

Thursday:

Stork House Quilters: 9:30am

Saturday:

Men’s Group: 7:30am

Come and observe Easter Sunday with OFLC!

Easter Sunrise Service—April 9th, 7am.
Easter Traditional Service—April 9th, 9am.

Confirmation students will be serving a light breakfast before and after each Easter service.

Good Friday Tenebrae Service

PRELUDE

WELCOME

REFLECTION & CENTERING

Pastor Aaron

CENTERING HYMN

WERE YOU THERE

#353

WELCOME DIALOGUE

Leader: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

People: Amen

Leader: Blessed be the name of the Lord our God,

People: who redeems us from sin and death.

Leader: For us and for our salvation, Christ became obedient unto death, even death on a cross.

TENEBRAE PROPER

Jesus on the Cross

THE FIRST WORD

Luke 23:34

“FATHER, FORGIVE THEM, FOR THEY KNOW NOT WHAT THEY ARE DOING”

MUSIC MINISTRY

THE SECOND WORD

Luke 23:43

“TODAY YOU WILL BE WITH ME IN PARADISE.”

HYMN

JESUS, REMEMBER ME

#616 (2x's)

THE THIRD WORD John 19:26-27

“WOMAN, HERE IS YOUR SON! HERE IS YOUR MOTHER!”

HYMN *MY SONG IS LOVE UNKNOWN* #343 V 1-4

THE FOURTH WORD Mark 15:35, Psalm 22:1

“MY GOD, MY GOD, WHY HAVE YOU FORSAKEN ME?”

HYMN *O SACRED HEAD, NOW WOUNDED* #351

THE FIFTH WORD John 19:28

“I AM THIRSTY.”

HYMN *WHEN I SURVEY THE WONDROUS CROSS* #803

THE SIXTH WORD John 19:30

“IT IS FINISHED.”

HYMN *GO TO DARK GETHSEMANE* #347 V 2, 3

THE SEVENTH WORD LUKE 23:46, PSALM 31:5

“FATHER, INTO YOUR HANDS I COMMEND MY SPIRIT.”

STREPITUS (Repeated 3 times)

L: Behold! The life-giving cross, on which was hung the Savior of the whole world.

P: Come let us worship him.

PLEASE MEDITATE SILENTLY ON CHRIST’S SUFFERING AS THE FINAL CANDLE, HIS CANDLE, IS REMOVED.

PRAYER

AT THE END OF THE SERVICE, THERE IS A MOMENT OF SILENCE IN ANTICIPATION OF OUR LORD’S RESURRECTION. ON THIS NIGHT THERE IS NO POSTLUDE OR RECESSIONAL AND THE SANCTUARY WILL REMAIN DARK. PLEASE LEAVE QUIETLY WHEN THE CHRIST CANDLE IS BACK IN PLACE ON THE ALTAR.