

Good Friday

April 18, 2025

The Service of Tenebrae follows a tradition of the Church dating back to the eighth century. From Latin, the word Tenebrae means "darkness" and commemorates the final hours of our Lord's life on earth, as he suffered death upon the cross. In the early Church, the service of Tenebrae was celebrated on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of Holy Week.

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THE GATHERING

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Blessed be the name of the Lord our God,

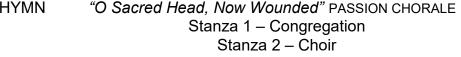
Who redeems us from sin and death.

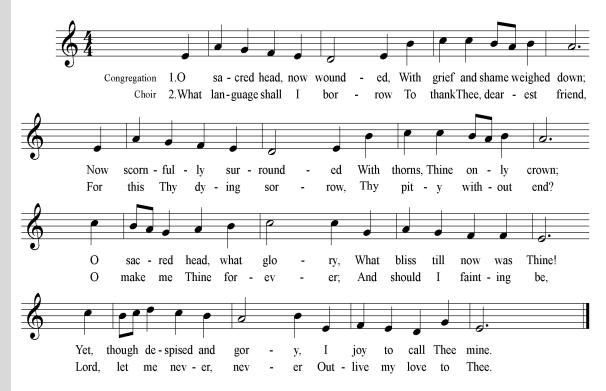
For us and for our salvation. Christ became obedient unto death, even death on the cross.

Blessed be the name of the Lord.

*HYMN

The music for tonight's service has been arranged by Hal Hopson and taken from his Cantata, "Tenebrae."





BIDDING PRAYER AND 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

SOLEMN REPROACHES OF THE CROSS

O my people, O my church, what have I done to you, or in what have I offended you? Answer me. I led you forth from the land of Egypt and delivered you by the waters of baptism, but you have prepared a cross for your Savior. **Lord, have mercy upon us.**

I led you through the desert forty years, and fed you with manna: I brought you through tribulation and penitence, and gave you my body, the bread of heaven, but you have prepared a cross for your Savior. **Lord, have mercy upon us.**

What more could I have done for you that I have not done? I planted you, my chosen and fairest vineyard, I made you the branches of my vine; but when I was thirsty, you gave me vinegar to drink and pierced with a spear the side of your Savior, and you have prepared a cross for your Savior. Lord, have mercy upon us.

I went before you in a pillar of cloud, and you have led me to the judgment hall of Pilate. I scoured your enemies and brought you to a land of freedom, but you have scourged, mocked, and beaten me. I gave you the water of salvation from the rock, but you have given me gall and left me to thirst, and you have prepared a cross for your Savior. Lord, have mercy upon us.

I gave you a royal scepter, and bestowed the keys to the kingdom, but you have given me a crown of thorns. I raised you on high with great power, but you have prepared a cross for your Savior. **Lord, have mercy upon us.**

My peace I gave, which the world cannot give, and washed your feet as a sign of my love, but you draw the sword to strike in my name and seek high places in my kingdom. I offered you my body and blood, but you scatter and deny and abandon me, and you have prepared a cross for your Savior. **Lord, have mercy upon us**.

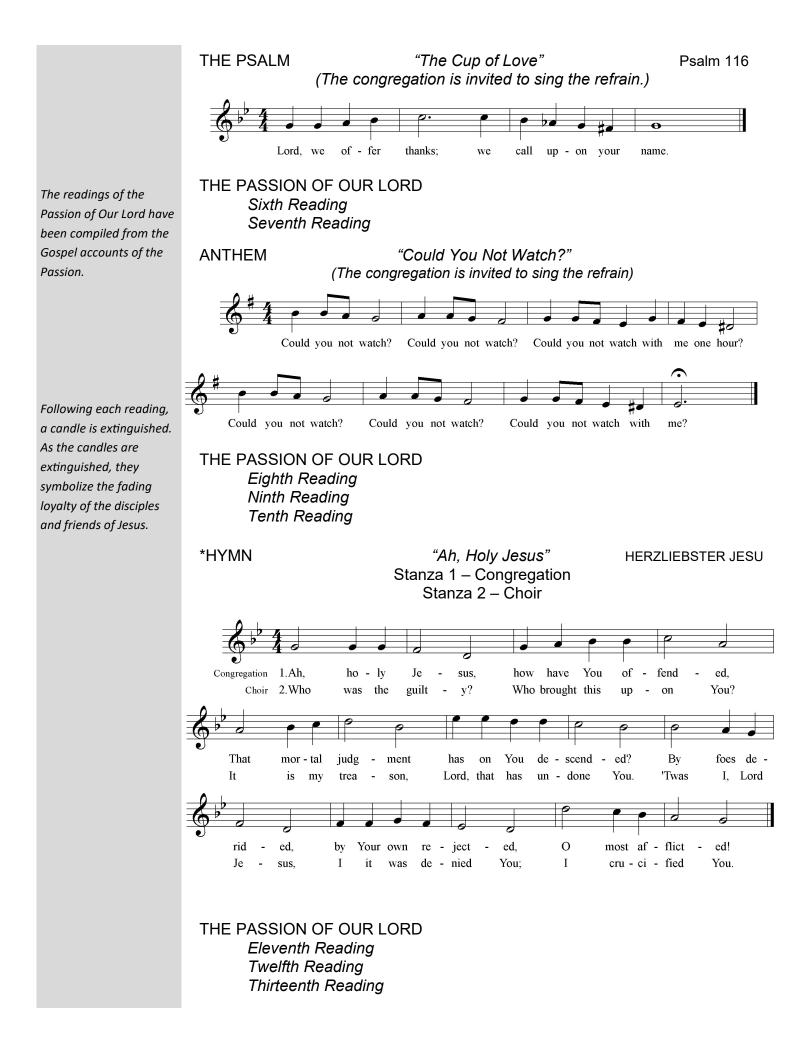
I sent the Spirit of truth to guide you, and you close your hearts to the Counselor. I pray that all may be one in the Father and me, but you continue to quarrel and divide. I call you to go and bring forth fruit, but you cast lots for my clothing, and you have prepared a cross for your Savior. Lord, have mercy upon us.

I came to you as the least of your brothers and sisters; I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not visit me, and you have prepared a cross for your Savior. Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, have mercy upon us. Amen.

THE PASSION OF OUR LORD

First Reading Second Reading Third Reading Fourth Reading Fifth Reading The Solemn Reproaches is an ancient text of Western Christendom associated with the ending of a Good Friday service. The reproaches follow the pattern of Psalm 78, which rehearses God's continuing acts of faithfulness and Israel's repeated rebellion.

Each reproach follows a similar pattern, calling to mind God's saving acts and concluding with the same words: "but you have prepared a cross for your Savior." Following each reproach the congregation responds with a prayer for mercy.



THE PASSION OF OUR LORD The gradual darkening Fourteenth Reading of the church portrays Fifteenth Reading the diminishing light of the world as Christ was HYMN "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" ROCKINGHAM departing from it. Stanza 3 - Choir Only 0 When the which 1 I sur vey won drous cross the on 2 For bid it Lord, that Ι should boast, save in the 3 from his See. head. his hands, his feet, sor row and Choir whole 4 Were the realm of na ture mine, that were а of died. Prince glo. ry my rich est gain Ι count but death of Christ God; all the vain things charm. my that me did love flow min gled down; e'er such love and row sor love di far. too small; pres ent so a maz ing, SO. 0 and tempt on alÌ my pride. loss, pour con Ι fice them his blood. most, sac ri to. thorns rich crown? meet, or pose SO com а vine. de mands soul. life. all. mv my my Reprinted under OnceLicense.net #A-702337 THE PASSION OF OUR LORD Sixteenth Reading "Then Jesus cried again with a loud voice and "Ah, Holy Jesus" INSTRUMENTAL MEDITATION arr. Hal Hopson breathed his last. At that moment the THE PASSION OF OUR LORD curtain of the temple Seventeenth Reading was torn in two, from top to bottom. The THE EARTHQUAKE earth shook, and the rocks were split." "Were You There?" CHORAL RESPONSE arr. Hal Hopson Matthew 27:50-51 DISMISSAL Katherine Kupar Depart in silence. The service continues on Easter Day.

* = Those who wish may stand

The Readers for Tonight's Service:

Natalie Healy Grant Gilman Ellen Zuber Veda Pendleton Ruth Buckner Brad Zuber Ann Norwood **Robert Rennie** Jim Rissler Hayden Krausen Kristy Hubert Laura Krausen Kim Harrod Katherine Kupar Meg Buckner Jim Hubert

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