



Good Friday

TENEBRAE SERVICE

April 3, 2026 at 7:00PM

For our violent and grieving world, Jesus came to bring hope. He gave his life to teach us the good news of God's grace and protection for us.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

**please stand as you're able*

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Dear people of God, Jesus came into this "Good Friday" world with its cruelty and chaos, its denial, despair and death. He experienced the degenerate behavior of leaders, religious authorities, and governments.

All: He was and is Emmanuel, God with us. He chose how he lived. He chose how he died. He came into the world to love God, and love neighbor.

One: When that love required him to shoulder a cross, he summoned the strength to bear it. We gather here to pray for a world where there is still suffering and death, knowing that Jesus has entrusted the ministry and mission of Jesus to us.

All: Lord help us to follow you. Today we recognize the enormity and expansiveness of human sin. But as treacherous as it is, it is insufficient to defeat the eternal purpose and love of God. Lord Jesus Christ, we gather here, to worship you.

OPENING HYMN

What Wondrous Love Is This, Wondrous Love¹



Choir: 1. What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!
 Choir: 2. When I was sink-ing down, sink-ing down, sink-ing down,
 All: 3. To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing;
 All: 4. And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on;



What won-drous love is this, O my soul!
 When I was sink-ing down, sink-ing down,
 To God and to the Lamb I will sing;
 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on;



What won-drous love is this That caused the Lord of bliss
 When I was sink-ing down Be-neath God's righ-teous frown,
 To God and to the Lamb, Who is the great I AM,
 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joy-ful be,



To bear the dread-ful curse for my soul, for my soul,
 Christ laid a-side his crown for my soul, for my soul,
 While mil-lions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,
 And through e-ter-ni-ty I'll sing on, I'll sing on,



To bear the dread-ful curse for my soul?
 Christ laid a-side his crown for my soul.
 While mil-lions join the theme, I will sing.
 And through e-ter-ni-ty I'll sing on.

1. The Shadow of Regret- Matthew 19:26b-28
2. The Shadow of Disappointment- Mt. 26:40-41
3. The Shadow of Betrayal Mt. 26:47-50

Chuck Kamp
John Nass
Paul Thompson

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- 4 The Shadow of Accusation- Mt. 26:69-70
5. The Shadow of Injustice Mt. 27:1-2
6. The Shadow of Bullying- Mt. 27:27-31

Erin DeMuth
Richard Appen
Kate Fletcher

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Forgive Us, Lord, Perdon, Señor³

7. The Shadow of Crucifixion Mt. 27:32-37
8. The Shadow of Suffering- Mt 27:38-44
9. The Shadow of Denial 27:45-49
10. The Shadow of Death Mt. 27:50-56

Paul Thompson
Peggy Douma
Beth Douma
Chuck Kamp

KYRIE

Kyrie 15, Taizé Ecumenical Community⁴

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Ky-ri-e, Ky-ri-e, Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son, Ky-ri-e, Ky-ri-e, Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son.

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11. The Shadow of the Tomb Mt. 27:57-58
12. The Shadow of Helplessness Mt. 27:59-61
13. The Shadow of Despair

John Nass
Janet Sausen
Sara Tonje

***HYMN 209 vs 1,2,5**

My Song Is Love Unknown, Love Unknown⁵

STAY IN SILENCE

In the quiet of the sanctuary we invite you to take an intercessory prayer for the world from the baptismal font. The sanctuary doors will remain closed.

GATHER

We invite you to join us for fellowship in the gathering area knowing that hope is not lost.

Leaders Today:

Interim Pastor: Rev. Sara Tonje
Minister of Music: Joe Chrisman
The Chancel Choir

Liturgist: Rev. Sandy Nuernberg
AV/Tech: John Tarr

Handbells: Doug Rouse, John Nass, Janet Sausen, Jean Nass, Erin Nass, Sue Dornfeld, Dorothy Blotz
Ushers/Greeters: Linda Moss, Erin DeMuth, Andrea Kenny



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Join us Sunday for Easter - April 5 at 9:45AM

Join the no-rehearsal choir for the Hallelujah Chorus, and enjoy a children's egg hunt & coffee fellowship.