

# The Service of Tenebrae

*a service of darkness and shadows*

*April 18, 2019 7:00 pm*

*Let us gather and sit in silence*

\*Please rise as able

Prelude

**“The Darkest Hour”**

The Christ Candle Enters

The Lighting of the Candles

The Law According to Christ Mark 12: 28-31

Leader: At the table with Christ, we receive a new commandment. We are called to love one another as Christ loves us.

**All: We are disciples of Jesus when we love one another. Through love, we thank God for the gift of Jesus.**

\*Hymn Hymnal No. 507  
**“Come to the Table of Grace”**

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The First Reading Matthew 26: 20-30  
*Jesus shares the last meal with his disciples*

Communion Meditation

The Lord’s Supper (by Intinction)

The Invitation

The Words of Institution

The Observance

*(you are invited to come forward  
and dip the bread in the cup)*

*The chalice and bread are covered,  
the first candle is extinguished*

\*Hymn Hymnal No. 521  
**“In Remembrance of Me”**

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The Second Reading Matthew 26: 36-56  
(Excerpts)

*Jesus prays in the garden*

\*Hymn Hymnal No. 204  
**“Stay with Me”**  
*in the style of Taizé: sung by the Cantor,  
then three times by the Congregation*

*The garden is covered,  
the second candle is extinguished*

Anthem

**“Awake, Alone in Gethsemane”**

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The Third Reading Matthew 26: 57-68  
*Jesus is arrested*

*The rope is covered,  
the third candle is extinguished*

Musical Offering

**“Garden”**

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The Fourth Reading Matthew 26: 69-75  
*Jesus is denied by Peter*

*The broken heart is covered,  
the fourth candle is extinguished*

\*Hymn Hymnal No. 828  
**“More Love to Thee, O Christ”**

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The Fifth Reading John 18:28-19:16  
(Excerpts)

*Jesus is sentenced*

*The crown of thorns is covered,  
the fifth candle is extinguished*

\*Musical Offering  
**“He Never Said a Mumbalin’ Word”**

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The Sixth Reading Matthew 27: 33-50  
(Excerpts)

*Jesus dies*

*The cross is covered,  
the sixth candle is extinguished*

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The Seventh Reading      Matthew 27: 57-60  
*Jesus is buried*

*The linen is covered,  
the seventh candle is extinguished*

Anthem

**“How Beautiful”**

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*The Christ Candle is removed,  
and the Darkness descends*

Choral Benediction

**“Go from the Shadows”**

**The Bell is Rung**

*symbolic of the earthquake upon Christ’s death  
or the stone shutting the tomb*

Recessional

**“Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence”**

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*Exit the sanctuary when you desire*

Participants in the service include:

Readers:

Rev. Jud Bennett  
Rev. Sally Dries  
Michael Dugan  
Diane Kitts

Karen Tinstman  
Mike Tinstman  
Mitch Welliver

Acolytes:

Noah Baylor  
Brightness Che  
Promise Che  
Adelay Cooney  
Foster Cooney  
Birgit Dugan

Emilia Dugan  
Leviticus Green  
Leviticus’ parent  
James Smith  
Kylie Welliver

Anthems, Benediction and Musical Offerings:

Eric Deeter  
Kessey Kieselhorst

Adam Zakarian  
Senior Choir

Ushers:

Gary Christian  
Maven Cooney  
Faithful Focham  
Favour Focham

David Sanders  
Cindy Stamey  
Lucas Welliver  
Peyton Welliver

Organist:

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Pastor:

Rev. Sally Dries

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