

MARCH 29, 2024 AT 7PM



Worship Services: Sunday at 9am & 10:30am



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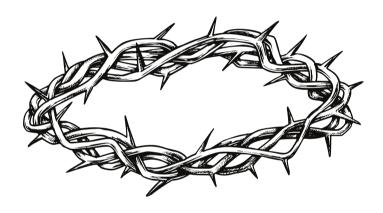
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TENEBRAE

The word Tenebrae is Latin for "shadows" or "darkness". The Tenebrae service is an ancient tradition in Christian history that took place on one of the last three days of Holy Week: Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, or Holy Saturday (The Day of the Grave).



The flames of these candles are extinguished one by one as Scripture readings are shared to tell the story of the Crucifixion. This gradual descent into darkness is a representation of Jesus' increasing physical agony, emotional despair, and spiritual desperation as the events of the Crucifixion unfolded. After the final reading, participants are traditionally expected to leave in contemplative silence.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Scripture Reading Luke 22:63-23:31
Hymn #102 Were You There?
Meditation We Shall Not Avert Our Eyes John 3:11-17
Choir AnthemRequiem Aeternam Buck
Unison Prayer
The First Word - Luke 23:32-38
The Second Word - Luke 23:39-43
Hymn #599 Jesus, Remember Me
The Third Word - John 19:25b-27
Choir AnthemWhat Man is This? Pepper Choplin
The Fourth Word - Matthew 27:45-46
Hymn #101 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross
The Fifth Word - John 19:28-29
The Sixth Word - John 19:30a
Hymn #98 O Sacred Head, Now Wounded
The Seventh Word - Luke 23:46
Choir Anthem God So Loved the World John Stainer
Prayer

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Scripture Reading

Matthew 27:51-54; Luke 23:49-56; Matthew 27:62-66

The service will conclude when the house lights are raised. Please leave the sanctuary in silence when you are ready.