

Laguna Presbyterian Church

Welcoming everyone to live into God's story of hope and love.

7 PM, MARCH 29, 2024

Good Friday

Tenebrae Service

Tenebrae is a prolonged meditation on Christ's suffering. Readings trace the story of Christ's passion, the music portrays his pathos, and the power of silence and darkness suggests the drama of this momentous day.



ORGAN PRELUDE: Ah, Holy Jesus
Sookyung Bang

WELCOME & OPENING PRAYER
Beth Pinney

INTROIT: Behold the Lamb of God, *Hopson*
Chancel Choir and Bells
Behold the Lamb of God, the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.
Behold the Lamb of God.

The 1st candle is extinguished.

The Shadow of the Arrest/False Testimony
Mark 14:53-65, Rev. Dr. Steve Sweet

* HYMN #177: What Wondrous Love Is This
What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul.
When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down,
when I was sinking down, sinking down,
when I was sinking down beneath God's righteous frown,
Christ laid aside his crown for my soul, for my soul,
Christ laid aside his crown for my soul.

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The 2nd candle is extinguished.

The Shadow of Denial
Mark 14:66-72, Maggie Craig

SONG: Ah, Holy Jesus, *arr. Krug*
Chancel Bells & Sookyung Bang, Piano

*Ah, holy Jesus, how have you offended, that mortal judgment has on you descended?
By foes derided, by your own rejected, O most afflicted!
Who was the guilty? Who brought this upon you?
It is my treason, Lord, that has undone you.*

The 3rd candle is extinguished.

The Shadow of Accusation
Mark 15:1-5, Jeff Nagel

The Shadow of Accusation Deepens
Mark 15:6-15, Virginia Grogan

ALL WHO ARE ABLE, PLEASE STAND.

One: Now at the festival Pilate used to release a prisoner for them, anyone for whom they asked. Now a man called Barabbas was in prison with the rebels who had committed murder during the insurrection. So the crowd came and began to ask Pilate to do for them according to his custom. Pilate answered them, "Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?" For he realized that it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed him over. But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release Barabbas for them instead. Pilate spoke to them again, "Then what do you wish me to do with the man you call the King of the Jews?"

They shouted back:

All: "Crucify him!"

One: Pilate asked them, "Why, what evil has he done?"

But they shouted all the more:

All: "Crucify him!"

One: So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified.

* HYMN #178: O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

**O sacred head, now wounded, with grief and shame weighed down,
Now scornfully surrounded with thorns thine only crown:
How pale thou art with anguish, with sore abuse and scorn,
How does that visage languish, which once was bright as morn.
What thou, my Lord, hast suffered was all for sinners' gain;
Mine, mine was the transgression, but thine the deadly pain.
Lo, here I fall, my Savior; 'tis I deserve thy place;
Look on me with thy favor, assist me with thy grace.**

Text: Paul Gerhardt | Music: Hassler, J.S. Bach

The 4th candle is extinguished.

The Shadow of Humiliation
Mark 15:16-20, Maggie Craig

HYMN #185: When I Survey the Wondrous Cross
**When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.
Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ, my God;
All the vain things that charm me most — I sacrifice them to his blood.**

Text: Isaac Watts | Arranger: Lowell Mason | Public Domain

The 5th candle is extinguished.

The Shadow of Crucifixion

Mark 15:21-24, Stevan Milunovic

Come now, let us argue it out, says the LORD: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be like snow; though they are **red like crimson**, they shall become like wool. - Is. 1:18

We invite you as you are ready, to come forward and place your red cloth upon the cross.

ANTHEM: What Love Is This, *Nix, Stewart*
Chancel Choir

*What love is this the angels mourn? His diadem a crown of thorns,
the King is now a thing of scorn. No other love is so transformed.
What love is this who stumbles now, and then moves on without a sound
to bear his cross before a crowd? No other love is so profound.*

*What love is this? How can it be? He gives His life so willingly,
his arms outstretched for all to see. No other love would die for me.*

*What love is this, love so divine that out of love for me You died?
How marvelous to call you mine! O wondrous Love, now I am thine.
O wondrous Love, I am thine, now I am thine.*

The 6th candle is extinguished.

The Shadow of Crucifixion

Mark 15:25-39, Jeff Nagel

HYMN #185: When I Survey the Wondrous Cross
**See, from his head, his hands, his feet,
sorrow and love flow mingled down;
did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
or thorns compose so rich a crown?**

The 7th candle is extinguished.

The Shadow of Burial

Mark 15:40-47, Rev. Beth A. Pinney

HYMN #181: Were you There?
Amanda Johnson and Congregation

*Solo: Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?*

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Solo: Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?

All: Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?

Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.

Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?

Solo: Were you there when the sun refused to shine?

All: Were you there when the sun refused to shine?

Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.

Were you there when the sun refused to shine?

Solo: Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

All: Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.

Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

Darkness

Following a minute of silence the lights will be turned back on.

(Please wait to depart until the lights are turned on.)

DISMISSAL

Steve Sweet

We leave the sanctuary tonight in silence.

This service continues on Easter Sunday at 9 AM and 10:30 AM.

LEADING IN THE LITURGY

Rev. Dr. Steve Sweet

Maggie Craig

Jeff Nagel

Virginia Grogan

Stevan Milunovic

Rev. Beth A. Pinney

Sarah Burge

MUSICIANS

Sookyung Bang, Organ/Piano

Chancel Choir & Chancel Bells

Crystal Stone, Choir Director

Amanda Johnson, Worship Leader



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