



Good Friday
Tenebrae Service
March 29, 2024

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

On this night, we remember that Christ, the Lamb of God was betrayed, given over to his enemies, mocked, beaten, and finally crucified. All of this, for you. All of this, for me. Listen now and be reminded of how great a gift of love he offers us.

Prayer of Invocation

The Rev. David Slyter

*Hymn 216

St. Christopher

"Beneath the Cross of Jesus"

THE SHADOW OF BETRAYAL

Scripture Reading

Matthew 26:20-25

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The first candle is extinguished.

THE SHADOW OF DESERTION

Scripture Reading

Matthew 26:31-35

Jane Moss

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The second candle is extinguished.

THE SHADOW OF LETHARGY

Scripture Reading

Mark 14:32-41

Blair Currin

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The third candle is extinguished.

THE SHADOW OF VIOLENCE

Scripture Reading Matthew 26:47-52

Linda Crowover Page 30

The fourth candle is extinguished.

THE SHADOW OF DENIAL

Scripture Reading Luke 22:54-62

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The fifth candle is extinguished.

THE SHADOW OF CYNICISM

Scripture Reading John 18:33-38

Stephanie Eidson Page 113

The sixth candle is extinguished.

THE SHADOW OF IRRESPONSIBILITY

Scripture Reading Matthew 27:20-26

Mac Smith Page 32

The seventh candle is extinguished.

THE SHADOW OF MOCKERY

Scripture Reading Mark 15:16-20

Janelle Currin Page 53

The eighth candle is extinguished.

EXTINGUISHING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

The Christ candle is extinguished.

"Were You There"

Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble.

Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?

Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble.

Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?

Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble.

Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

THE PROPHECY OF THE RESURRECTION

Scripture Reading

Mark 8:31

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THE RESPONSIVE PRAYER

For the gift and grace of Jesus Christ, our Savior
we give thanks.

For the blessing and breadth of God's great love
toward us

we give thanks.

For the challenge and comfort of the cross

we give thanks.

For the power and presence of his abiding Spirit

we give thanks.

THE BENEDICTION

As we depart in darkness,
may the light of hope continue to shine in our hearts.