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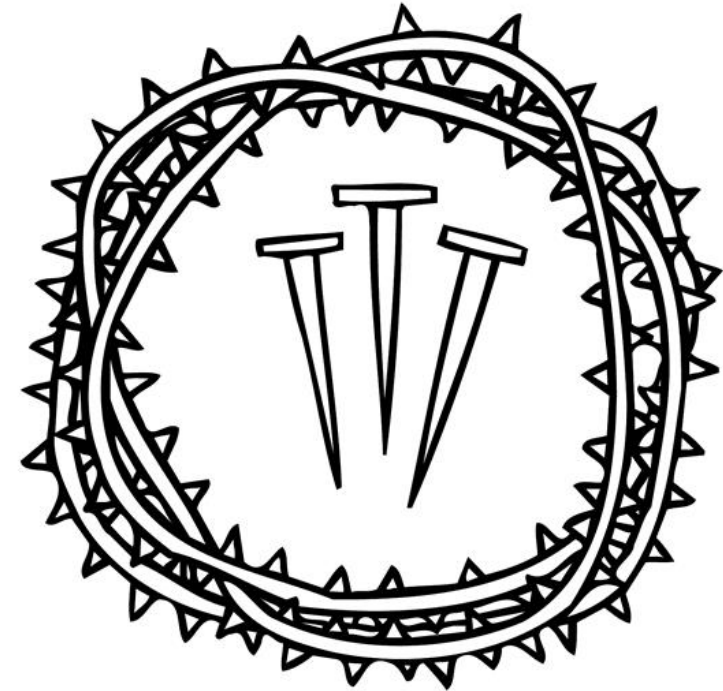
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Good Friday Tenebrae Service



March 29, 2024

7:00pm

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LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE CROSS
Good Friday Service of Tenebrae
March 29, 2024 — 7:00pm

The service of Tenebrae (Latin for “darkness” or “shadows”) commemorates the suffering and death of Jesus Christ. We gather in solemn devotion, but always with the promise that the tree around which we assemble is indeed a tree of life. We depart silently, and we anticipate the culmination of the Three Days in the Easter Vigil.

GREETINGS OF PEACE

CALL TO WORSHIP

PASTORAL PRAYER

CONFESSION OF SIN, ASSURANCE OF PARDON

GATHERING HYMN: “*Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross*” ELW 335

THE SERVICE OF READINGS AND EXTINGUISHING OF LIGHTS

A candle is extinguished after each reading from the story of the passion of our Lord, recalling the darkening shadows of Calvary and the extinguishing of Jesus’ life on the cross.

FIRST READING **John 18:1-11**

Shadow of Betrayal

SECOND READING **John 18:12-27**

Shadow of Desertion

HYMN: “*Ah, Holy Jesus*” ELW 349

THIRD READING: **John 18:28-40**

King of the Jews

FOURTH READING: **John 19:1-7**

Mocked and Derided

HYMN: “*O Sacred Head, Now Wounded*” ELW 351

FIFTH READING **John 19:8-16a**

No King but Caesar

SIXTH READING **John 19:16b-22**

Place of the Skull

SPECIAL MUSIC “*I Walked Today Where Jesus Walked*”

Performed by Amanda Sagsveen

SEVENTH READING **John 19:23-30**

Shadow of the Cross

EIGHTH READING **John 19:31-42**

Shadow of the Cross

HYMN: “*Were You There*” ELW 353

SPECIAL MUSIC “*Rise Again*”

Performed by Paul Gurholt

THE LORD’S PRAYER (whispered in unison)

STREPITUS (A loud noise symbolizes Jesus’ death)

**** After a short period of silence, the lights will gradually come up.
Please leave the church quietly. ****

**As you leave the sanctuary, you may place your offering in the
offering baskets by the exit doors. Thank you.**

*Merciful Jesus, who takes away the
sins of the world, grant them rest.
O Lamb of God, who takes away the
sins of the world, grant them eternal rest.
Amen*

