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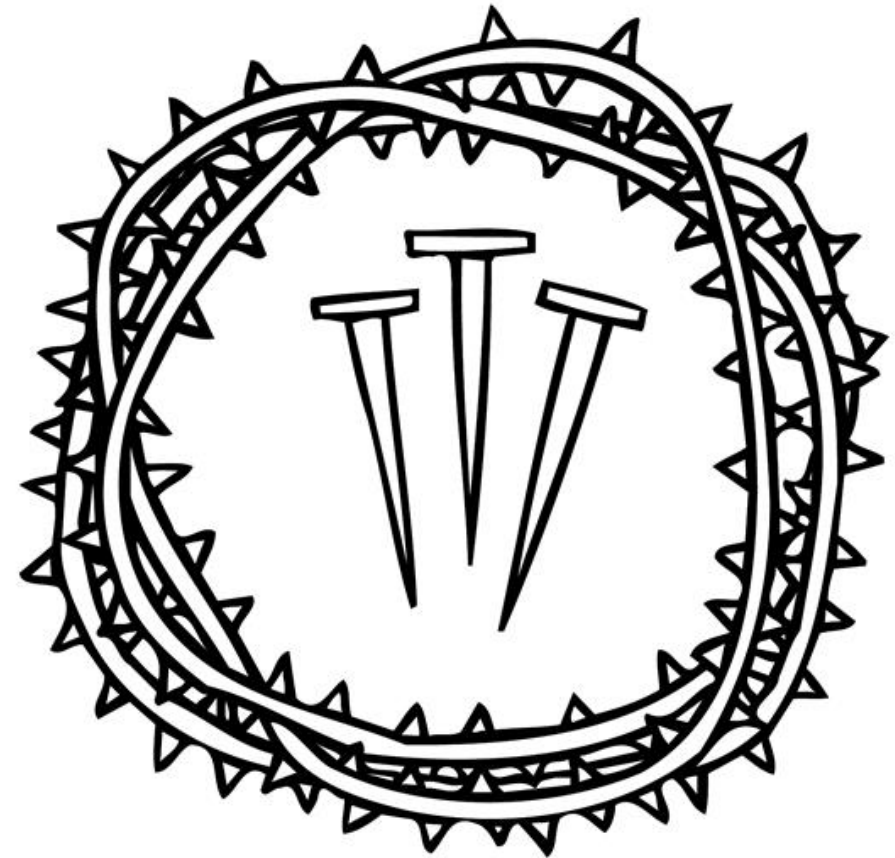
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Good Friday Tenebrae Service



April 17, 2025
7:00pm

LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE CROSS
Good Friday Service of Tenebrae
April 17, 2025 — 7:00pm

*The service of Tenebrae (Latin for “darkness” or “shadows”)
commemorates the suffering and death of Jesus Christ.*

GREETINGS OF PEACE

CALL TO WORSHIP

PASTORAL PRAYER

CONFESSION OF SIN, ASSURANCE OF PARDON

GATHERING HYMN: *“Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross” #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” #349 vs. 1, 2*

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” #351 vs. 1, 2*

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

No King but Caesar

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

Place of the Skull

HYMN: *“Lamb of God” ELW 336*

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

Shadow of the Cross

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

Shadow of the Cross

HYMN: *“Were You There” #353 vs. 1, 3, 5*

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*

