



A Tenebrae Service - Good Friday

March 30, 2018

7:30 p.m.

No matter who you are,
No matter where you are
On life's journey,
You are welcome here.

The prelude is a time of reflection and preparation for the worship of God.

Please silence cell phones.

Bibles for use during worship are available at each entrance to the Sanctuary.

Tonight's service ends in silence and a moment of darkness.

Please continue to worship silently until the Sanctuary lights return.

THOUGHT FOR PREPARATION

PRELUDE

O Mensch beweine deine Sünde Gross

J.S. Bach

Kevin Dzierzawski, organ

* CALL TO WORSHIP

One: In Jesus Christ, our crucified and risen Lord,
God has come to us,

**All: To share our common lot,
conquering sin and death.**

One: Surely he has borne our griefs
and carried our sorrows.

**All: He was wounded for our transgressions
and bruised for our iniquities.**

One: He was despised and rejected,

All: A man of sorrows and acquainted with grief.

**Please stand if you are able to do so.*

*HYMN

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

Red Hymnal No. 83

Let all mortal flesh keep silence, and with fear and trembling stand
Ponder nothing earthly minded, for with blessing in his hand,
Christ our God to earth descendeth, our full homage to demand.

King of kings, yet born of Mary, as of old on earth he stood,
Lord of lords, in human vesture, in the body and the blood.
He will give to all the faithful his own self for heav'nly food.

Rank on rank the host of heaven spreads its vanguard on the way,
As the Light of light descendeth from the realms of endless day,
That the powers of hell may vanish as the darkness clears away.

SERVICE OF COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Dear God we love you so much

that when Christ rides into our lives

we wave our arms in the air and shout "Hosanna"

like little children on the last day of school.

Yet, we betray Jesus. We ignore Jesus. We deny Jesus.

We mutter "crucify, crucify"

in tones that are less dramatic

and less emphatic than our biblical ancestors',

but no less devastating for their subtlety.

Forgive us.

On this night we need your grace so badly.

Lord have mercy upon us.

Amen.

KYRIE

Kurt R. Hansen

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

OFFERTORY

Tantum ergo
(Sung in Latin)
Chancel Choir

Marcel Dupré

Scott Banjavcic and Kevin Dzierzawski, organists

Let us therefore, bowing low, venerate so great a Sacrament;
And let the old Law give way to the new rite;
Let faith afford assistance to the deficient of the senses.
To the Begetter and the Begotten, let there be praise and jubilation,
Salvation and honor, and power and blessing;
And to the One proceeding from both let there be equal praise.
text by *St. Augustine*

WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever.
Amen.**

SERVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

*Christ is the host at this table. All are welcome to take communion.
The outer ring of cups is grape juice; the inner rings are wine.
A gluten-free option is wrapped and available on each tray.
Please hold each element until all are served so that we may eat and drink together.*

COMMUNION MEDITATION MUSIC

Prelude from Suite No. 2 in D Minor, BWV 108 J. S. Bach
Sarabande from Suite No. 3 in C Major, BWV 1009 J. S. Bach
Hannah Barton, viola

*HYMN

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

Red Hymnal No. 127

O sacred head, now wounded, with grief and shame weighed down,
Now scornfully surrounded with thorns, thine only crown;
O sacred head, what glory, what bliss till now was thine!
Yet, though despised and gory, I joy to call thee mine.

How art thou pale with anguish, with sore abuse and scorn;
How does that visage languish which once was bright as morn!
Thy grief and bitter passion were all for sinners' gain;
Mine, mine was the transgression, but thine the deadly pain.

What language shall I borrow to thank thee, dearest Friend,
For this thy dying sorrow, thy pity without end?
O make me thine forever, and should I fainting be,
Lord, let me never, never, outlive my love to thee.

Be near when I am dying, O show thy cross to me!
And, for my succor flying, come, Lord, to set me free.
These eyes, new faith receiving, from thee shall never move;
For he who dies believing dies safely in thy love.

SERVICE OF TENEBRAE

The Reading of the Passion Story from the Gospels
and the Extinguishing of the Lights

AGONY IN THE GARDEN

Choral Response

Stay With Us

Egil Hovland

Chancel Choir

Stay with us, Lord Jesus,
Stay with us, it soon is evening,
And night is falling.

Jesus Christ, the world's true light!
Shine so the darkness cannot overcome it!
Let your light pierce the darkness
And fill your church with its glory.

Stay with us....

Luke 24:29 (Phos hilaron)

BETRAYAL AND ARREST

Congregational Response

Red Hymnal No. 128, v. 1

Ah, Holy Jesus, how hast thou offended,
That we to judge thee, hath in hate pretended?
By foes derided, by thine own rejected, O most afflicted!

TRIAL BEFORE THE HIGH PRIEST

Choral Response

Sanctus from Requiem

Gabriel Fauré

Hannah Barton, violin

Chancel Choir

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Hosanna in the highest.

PETER'S DENIAL

Congregational Response:

Red Hymnal No. 128, v. 2

Who was the guilty? Who brought this upon thee?
Alas, my treason, Jesus, hath undone thee!
'Twas I, Lord Jesus, I it was denied thee; I crucified thee.

TRIAL BEFORE PILATE

Choral Response

The Old Rugged Cross

George Bernard

Chancel Choir

On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross
The emblem of suffering and shame;
And I love that old cross where the dearest and best
For a world of lost sinners was slain.
So I'll cherish the old rugged cross,
'Till my trophies at last I lay down;
I will cling to the old rugged cross,
And exchange it someday for a crown.

MOCKERY

Congregational Response

Red Hymnal No. 128, v. 3

For me, kind Jesus, was thy incarnation,
Thy mortal sorrow, and thy life's oblation;
Thy death of anguish and thy bitter passion,
For my salvation.

THE CRUCIFIXION

Choral Response

God So Loved the World
from The Crucifixion

John Stainer

God so loved the world that He gave his only begotten Son,
That whosoever believeth in Him, should not perish,
But have everlasting life.
For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world;
But that the world through Him might be saved.
God so loved the world . . .
John 3: 16-17

DEATH ON THE CROSS

Congregational Response

Red Hymnal No. 223, v. 1-2

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?

Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb?
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?

THE BURIAL

TONIGHT'S WORSHIP LEADERS

Communion Coordinators: Jana O'Brien, Kevin O'Brien

Communion Servers: Bob Ball, Lois Basil, Marcia Frank, Lorne Frank,
Cheryl Kennedy, Bev Petrunich, Dan Vaughn, Peg Wander

Communion bread baked by Marcia Knudson.

Greeters: Greg Mooney, Sheryl Mooney

Head Usher: Beatrice Jaji

Ushers: Ninon Freeman, Cheryl Kennedy, Fred Pearson, Bruce Voice

Acolyte Coordinators: Cindy Zinn Ball, Becca Brown

Acolytes: Becca Brown, Valerie Bradshaw, Kaitlyn McVey, Alex Hansen

Lighting: Kevin O'Brien

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ABOUT ST. PAULS
Making a joyful sound in the city

Saint Pauls UCC has a vibrant history in the city of Chicago. Founded in 1843, we are one of the city's oldest churches. In 1989 we became one of America's first congregations to declare ourselves "Open to and Affirming of" LGBT women and men.

From founding Chicago's largest provider of social services to at-risk children to starting a home for the elderly, from housing protestors at the 1968 Democratic Convention to hosting Lincoln Park's first MLK day march against violence on Chicago's streets we are proud to make a joyful sound in the city.

Most importantly, over the past 174 years we are glad to have introduced thousands of children and adults to the amazing, inclusive, life changing, uplifting love of God. We do so in worship that is traditional, but far from conventional.

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Free Parking is available on Sundays from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. at the former
Children's Memorial Hospital garage.

2300 Block of North Lincoln Ave. – Vouchers Not Needed



WELCOME TO SAINT PAULS UCC!

Welcome to those whose hearts are on fire with faith,
and to those who bring their doubt inside our doors.

Welcome to our first time guests and
our longtime members.

Welcome to single people, tiny children,
grandparents and families of all
configurations.

Welcome to those who rejoice and to those who
grieve.

Welcome to each and to everyone.

We are an Open and Affirming church.

We welcome all.

We are blessed by your presence and
we are glad you are here.