



VILLAGE CHURCH

Presbyterian (USA)



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Good Friday

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

7 p.m. April 3, 2026

A SERVICE OF THE OFFICE OF TENEBRAE

Prelude

I Call to Thee, Lord Jesus Christ, BuxWV 196

by Dieterich Buxtehude

Passacaglia, BuxWV 161

by Dieterich Buxtehude

Words of Welcome

Introit

O vos omnes

by Tomás Luis de Victoria

*O all that pass by the way,
Attend and see if there be any sorrow like to my sorrow.
– Lamentations 1:12*

Opening Sentences (Isaiah 53:5)

He was wounded for our transgressions,
crushed for our iniquities;

Upon him was the punishment that made us whole
and by his bruises we are healed.

*Hymn 215

What Wondrous Love Is This



1 What won - drous love is this, O my soul, O my
2 When I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down, sink - ing
3 To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will
4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing



soul, what won - drous love is this, O my soul! What
down, when I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down, when
sing, to God and to the Lamb, I will sing; to
on; and when from death I'm free, I'll sing on; and



won - drous love is this that caused the Lord of
I was sink - ing down be - neath God's righ - teous
God and to the Lamb who is the great I
when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joy - ful



bliss to bear the dread - ful curse for my soul, for my
frown, Christ laid a - side his crown for my soul, for my
AM, while mil - lions join the theme, I will sing, I will
be, and through e - ter - ni - ty, I'll sing on, I'll sing



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soul, Christ laid a - side his crown for my soul!
sing; while mil - lions join the theme, I will sing!
on; and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on.

Chorale

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

*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.*

Jesus' Disciples Fall Asleep in the Garden of Gethsemane

Matthew 26:36-46 (pg. 906)

First candle is extinguished (silent prayer)

Hymn 220 (st. 1-2)

Go to Dark Gethsemane



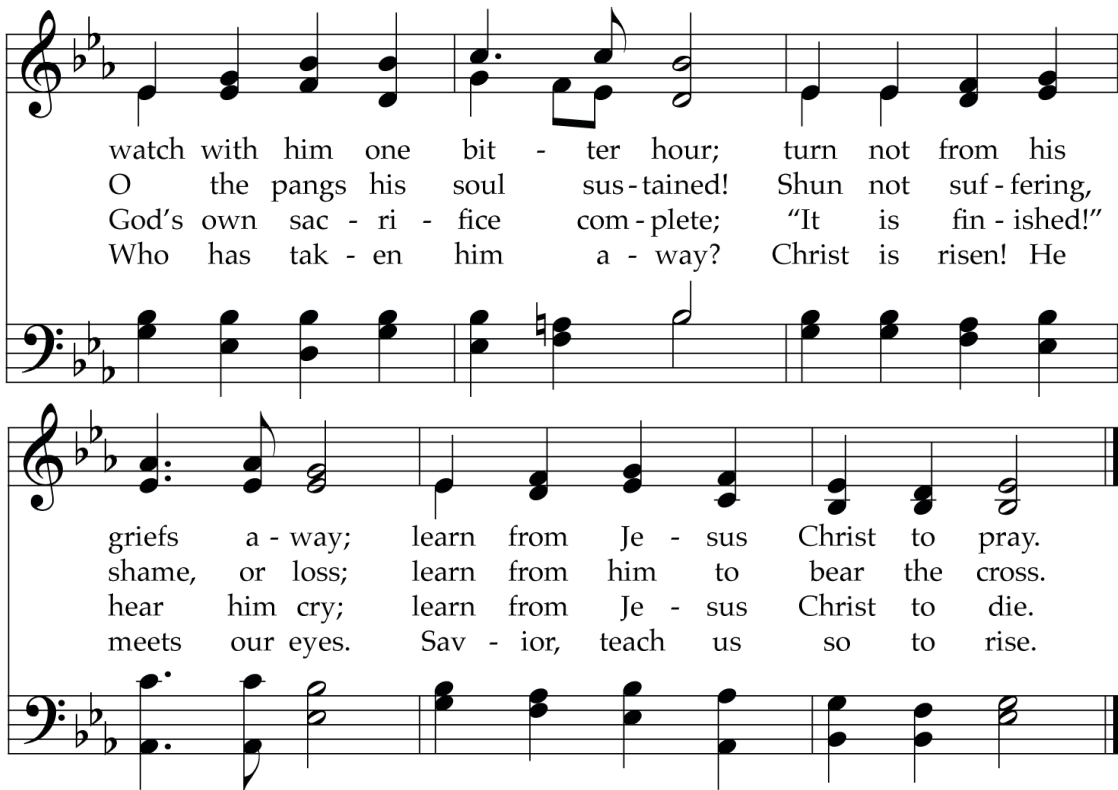
1 Go to dark Geth - sem - a - ne, all who feel the
2 Fol - low to the judg - ment hall; view the Lord of
3 Cal - vary's mourn - ful moun - tain climb; there, a - dor - ing
4 Ear - ly has - ten to the tomb where they laid his



tempt - er's power; your Re - deem - er's con - flict see;
life ar - raigned; O the worm - wood and the gall!
at his feet, mark that mir - a - cle of time,
breath - less clay: all is sol - i - tude and gloom.



(continued)



watch with him one bit - ter hour; turn not from his
 O the pangs his soul sus - tained! Shun not suf - fering,
 God's own sac - ri - fice com - plete; "It is fin - ished!"
 Who has tak - en him a - way? Christ is risen! He

grieves a - way; learn from Je - sus Christ to pray.
 shame, or loss; learn from him to bear the cross.
 hear him cry; learn from Je - sus Christ to die.
 meets our eyes. Sav - ior, teach us so to rise.

Judas Betrays Jesus

Matthew 26:47-56 (pg. 906)

Second candle is extinguished (silent prayer)

Unison Prayer

**Gracious God,
 your Son spoke love to our undeserving world,
 yet we turned away.
 Breathe upon us the power of your Spirit,
 that we might be able to wait upon your word
 and cling to you and to your will for our lives.
 Make us aware of opportunities to love those lost in this world,
 of chances to serve others as a way of serving you.
 Holy God, keep us in this hour,
 that even our meager faith might make hope and peace abound,
 and that the work of your Son might turn death to eternal life.
 Through Christ our Lord we pray. Amen.**

Jesus Before the Sanhedrin

Matthew 26:57-66 (pg. 906)

Third candle is extinguished (silent prayer)

Organ Meditation

Chorale Dorian
 by Jehan Alain

Peter's Denial

Matthew 26:69-75 (pg. 906)

Fourth candle is extinguished (silent prayer)

Anthem

Ah, Holy Jesus
arr. John Ferguson

Jesus Before Pilate

Matthew 27:15-23 (pg. 907)

Fifth candle is extinguished (silent prayer)

Chorale

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

*What thou, my Lord, has suffered was all for sinners' gain:
mine, mine was the transgressions, but thine the deadly pain.
Lo, here I fall, my Savior! 'Tis I deserve thy place;
look on me with thy favor, and grant to me thy grace.*

The Soldiers Mock Jesus

Matthew 27:27-37 (pg. 907)

Sixth candle is extinguished (silent prayer)

Hymn 228 (st. 1 and 2)

Were You There?

1 Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? (Were you
2 Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? (Were you
3 Were you there when they pierced him in the side? (Were you
4 Were you there when the sun re-fused to shine? (Were you
5 Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? (Were you

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there?) Were you there when they pierced him in the side?
there?) Were you there when the sun re-fused to shine?
there?) Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

(continued)

O! Some-times it caus - es me to
 trem - ble, trem - ble, trem - ble. Were you
 there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?
 there when they nailed him to the tree?
 there when they pierced him in the side?
 there when the sun re - fused to shine?
 there when they laid him in the tomb?

The Death of Jesus

Matthew 27:45-50 (pg. 908)

Seventh candle is extinguished (silent prayer)

Anthem

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross
 arr. Philip W.J. Stopford

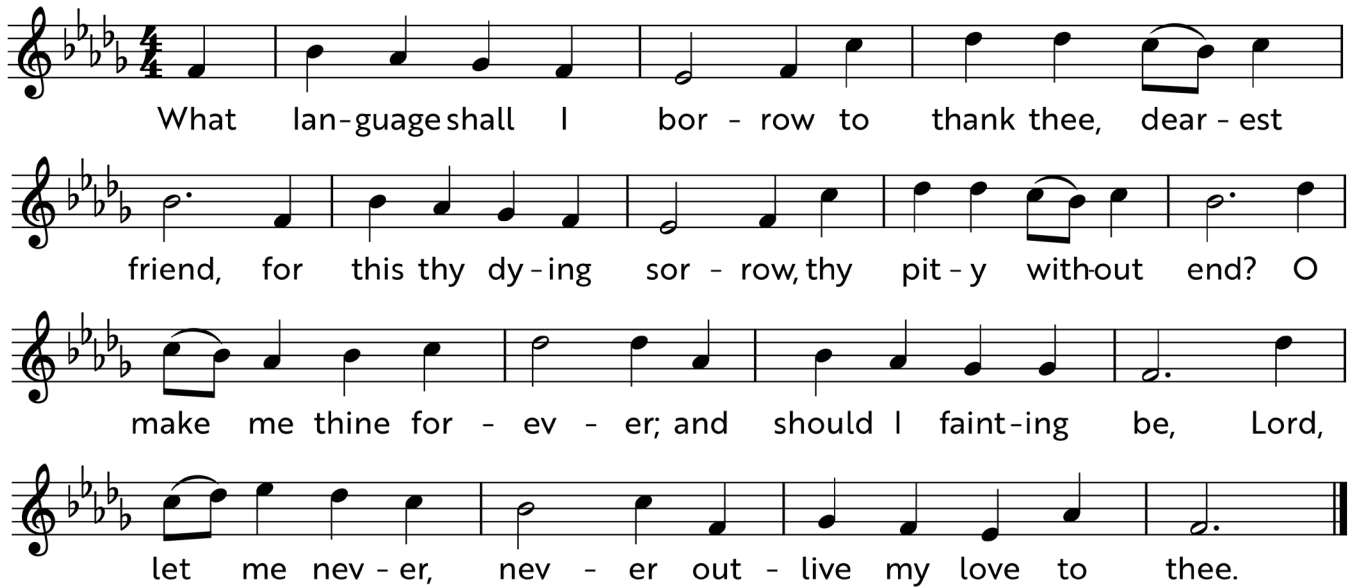
The Burial

Matthew 27:57-66 (pg. 908)

Eighth candle is extinguished (silent prayer)

Hymn

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded



What lan-guage shall I bor - row to thank thee, dear - est
friend, for this thy dy - ing sor - row, thy pit - y without end? O
make me thine for - ev - er; and should I faint - ing be, Lord,
let me nev - er, nev - er out - live my love to thee.

Silence

The service ends in silence and darkness, so that we may sense more keenly the coming light of the Easter dawn. The congregation may remain seated for prayer, or depart as each feels led. We hope you will join us for worship Easter Sunday at 8, 9:30, 11:15 a.m. or at 4 p.m.

**All who are able may stand*

ABOUT TONIGHT'S SERVICE

Tenebrae (Latin for "shadows" or "darkness") is a solemn observance of Jesus' passion and death. The service marks Jesus' journey to Golgotha and allows for extended meditation through proclamation of the word in scripture, prayer, and music, increasing darkness, and silent reflection. At Village Church we gather here to enter into the dramatic narrative of Jesus' betrayal, arrest, and crucifixion, and to reflect on God's sacrificial love.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Liturgists: Rev. Dr. Diane Janssen Hemmen, Rev. Anna Owens,
Trent Green, Lisa Harrison, Karen A. Reimer

Conductors: Dr. Joshua Maize, Helen Hofmeister

Dr. Elisa Bickers, organist

Village Choir

More Love Chorale

Choral Octet: Elisa Bickers, Jared Brooks,
Kailynn Byrne, Miren Gabiola, Bonny Green, Chris Leaver,
Joshua Maize, Riley Pembleton

We invite you to join us for worship on Easter Sunday, April 20

7 a.m. Sunrise Service, Antioch Campus

8, 9:30, and 11:15 a.m. Traditional Worship, Mission Campus

10 a.m. Traditional Worship, Antioch Campus

4 p.m. The Gathering, Mission Campus

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