



April 1, 2021
8:00 p.m.

**A Tenebrae Service
on Maundy Thursday
IN THE DARKNESS...LIGHT**

PRELUDE

What Wondrous Love is This R. Haan
Matthew Vriend, cello

CHORAL INTROIT

Kyrie eleison

WORDS OF DECLARATION

***Hymn of Approach**

#257 What Wondrous Love is This WONDROUS LOVE

***WORDS OF INVOCATION**

THE UPPER ROOM

Love Poured Out John 13:1-5, 12-17, 31-35

***Hymn**

#275 An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare
O WALY WALY

The First Supper 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

The Bread and the Cup

All are welcome to the Lord's Table

Instrumental Meditation

Spiegel im Spiegel A. Pärt
Gabriel Thielmann-Vriend, violin

THE SHADOWS

The Shadow of Certitude Matthew 26:30-35

Prayer of Confession and Humility

Lord Jesus,
**We confess that we fail you and desert you.
We betray you with our thoughts,
words and deeds.
We boast with certainty
and we boast of our self-sufficiency.
Hear our cries for mercy,
and keep us humble
in these final days of our Lenten journey.**
(silent reflection)

Anthem

Lord Jesus Think On Me R. K. Fitzgerald

The Shadow of the Garden Matthew 26:36-46

***Hymn**

#272 Go to Dark Gethsemane REDHEAD

The Shadow of Betrayal Matthew 26:47-56

***Hymn**

#262 Ah! Holy Jesus HERZLIEBSTER JESU

The Shadow of Accusation Matthew 26:57-68

***Hymn**

#278 To Mock Your Reign KINGSFOLD

The Shadow of Desertion Matthew 26:69-75

***Hymn**

#263 Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed MARTYRDOM

The Shadow of Trial and Shame

Anthem

Matthew 27:1-2,11-14,20-31

O Sacred Head R. Haan

The Shadow of Crucifixion and Death

Anthem

Matthew 27:32-50

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross P. Wilby

Song of the Suffering Servant Isaiah 53:4-9

Anthem

When Jesus Wept arr. G. Custer

*The Christ Candle is removed from the Sanctuary.
We exit in silence and quiet reflection.*

** please stand as you are able*

TENEBRAE SERVICE and MAUNDY THURSDAY

The service this evening is a Tenebrae service, which commemorates the suffering and death of Christ. Dating from the 8th century, Tenebrae was originally celebrated on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday of Holy Week. Tenebrae is Latin for "shadows" and a Tenebrae Service is one in which light fades into darkness, as the sanctuary is progressively darkened as scripture is read. The congregation leaves the service in darkness.

This is symbolic of the physical darkness that fell over the earth as the Son of God was crucified; symbolic of the fading spiritual light of the world as Christ, the Light, was leaving it; and symbolic of the fading of loyalty of the disciples and our own betrayal of Christ.

With its movement to darkness, the Tenebrae service prepares us to receive the Light of Easter morning and to celebrate the joyous news of the resurrection. The Christ candle will be removed from the sanctuary at the end of this service, symbolic of Jesus' death. It will return during the Easter Sunday Service, symbolic of the resurrection.

This day is called "Maundy Thursday." This term is derived from the Old French maunder and from the Latin mandatum novum, "a new commandment." The new commandment of Christ is to love one another and was given on the night before his death.

On this night we also remember and celebrate the supper Jesus shared with his disciples in the context of Passover. This event, which reveals the wonder and mystery of all subsequent meals eaten in Jesus' name, institutes the abiding, real presence of our Lord in the church's celebrations of communion/eucharist.

Readers: Dawn Stiles, Rev. Jeremy Keay

Acolyte: Rev. Ryan Sato

Additional Musician: Matthew Vriend, cello; Gabriel Thielmann-Vriend, violin; Choral voices -Adienne sitko, Evelyn Blachette, Joanne Linden, Ruby Thielmann, Samuel Niebla Hernandez, Daniel Thielmann.

Video & Sound Technician: Evan Adnams

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