

Father, forgive them;

for they know not what they do

Verily I say unto thee,

Today shalt thou be with me in paradise

He saith unto his mother,

Behold thy son!

Then saith he to the disciple,

Behold thy mother!

Eli,

that is to say,

My God, my God,

why hast thou

forsaken me?

I thirst

It is finished!

Father, into thy hands

commend my spirit

Tenebrae Service
Good Friday
April 2, 2021

WELCOME TO CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

The Service of Tenebrae is a form of one of the oldest traditional observances of the Christian Church during Holy Week. As the service unfolds, the darkness increases with the recounting of humanity's sin until only one light remains burning—the light of God's love, the light that darkness can never overcome. This single candle is carried out of the room for a little while to symbolize the three days in the tomb. However, like God's love, the light never goes out. The loud drum roll represents the earth quake that occurred when Jesus died. The slamming of the book at the end recounts the closing of the tomb and Christ's final words, "It is finished." This service is a somber dramatic reading of Christ's death. This service concludes in complete silence. Please maintain this silence until you reach your cars.

SONG

Lamb of God

Paris & Larson



1. Your on - ly Son, no sin to hide, but you have
2. Your gift of love we cru - ci - fied. We laughed and
3. I was so lost, I should have died, but you have



sent him from your side to walk up - on this guil - ty
scorned him as he died. The hum - ble king we named a
brought me to your side to be led by your staff and



sod and to be - come the Lamb of God. O__ Lamb of__
fraud and sac - ri - ficed the Lamb of God.
rod and to be called a lamb of God.



God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the ho - ly Lamb of__



God. Oh, wash me in your pre - cious blood, my Je - sus



Christ, the Lamb of__ God.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Leader: Let us pray. At this hour, O God Most High, while silence reigns and the sun hides its face, a world prostrate beneath its sins lifts its eyes to the cross, rejoicing that the tree of knowledge, which brought the human race to its knees, has become the tree of life, lifting us up to redemption. Let the glorious cross forever stand as the sign of our worth in your eyes! As we behold Innocence itself crucified in place of the guilty and Life put to death for sinners, may we take heart, remembering the prayers of the dying thief whose faith was rewarded. We ask this through your Son, the Christ, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever.

People: **Amen.** (*sit*)

I. Cruel and Unusual Punishment

Isaiah 53:3-5

Pastor Tenny Shifley

SONG

Mercy, Come In

II. Covid and Isolation

Psalms 88:1-9, 14-18

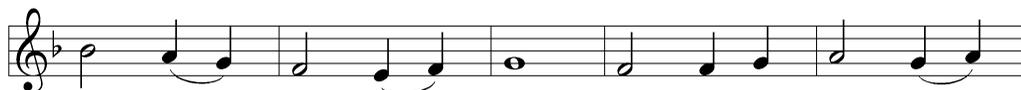
HYMN

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

arr. Coates



1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross on which the
2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast save in the
3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sor - row and
4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were a



prince of glo - ry died, my rich - est gain I
death of Christ, my God; all the vain things that
love flow min - gled down. Did e'er such love and
trib - ute far too small; love so a - maz - ing,



count but loss and pour con - tempt on all my pride.
charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to his blood.
sor - row meet, or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
so di - vine, de - mands my soul, my life, my all.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674-1748

Music: HAMBURG, Lowell Mason, 1792-1872

III. Jesus in Isolation

Mark 14:43-50

SONG

Thief

IV. Hell

Revelation 14:9-13

SONG

O Sacred Heart
Leigh Marsh-violin

V. Jesus' life

Mark 15:25-32

SONG

Mercy with Jesus Paid It All



1. I will kneel in the dust at the foot of the cross, where
2. We will lift up the cup and the bread we will break, re -



mer - cy paid for me. Where the wrath I de - serve, it is
mem - ber - ing Your love. We were fall - en from grace, but You



gone. It has passed. Your blood has hid - den me.
took all our shame and nailed it to a cross.



Chorus: Mer - cy, mer - cy; as end - less as the sea. I'll



sing Your hal - le - lu - jah for all e - ter - ni - ty. *(repeat chorus 2nd time)*



May I nev - er lose the won - der; oh, the won - der of Your mer - cy.



May I sing Your hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah! A - men. *(4 times, then D.C. al coda)*



Je - sus paid it all. All to Him I owe.

Sin had left a crim-son stain. He washed it white as snow.

VI. Alone

Mark 15:33-38

SONG

Clean

1. I see shat-tered; You see ___ whole. I see bro-ken; ___
 2. What was dead now ___ lives a - gain. My heart's beat-ing, ___

You see beau-ti-ful. ___ And You're help-ing me ___
 beat-ing in-side my chest. I am com-ing a-live with

___ to be-lieve; You're re-stor-ing me piece by piece.
 joy and des-ti-ny,

Chorus: There's noth-ing too dirt-y that You can't make wor-thy.

You wash me in mer-cy; I am clean.

Washed in the blood of Your sac-ri-fice, Your blood flowed red ___ and

made me white. My dirt-y rags ___ are pu-ri-fied; I am clean. *(repeat several times, then chorus)*

VII. The Answer

Isaiah 53:4-8

SONG

Ah, Holy Jesus Craig Cole-handbells

VERSICLE AND RESPONSE *(repeated three times while Paschal Candle is removed)*

Leader: Behold, the life-giving cross, on which was hung the salvation of the world.

People: **O come, let us worship him.**

PERIOD OF SILENCE

LORD'S PRAYER

Contemporary Wording

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

BENEDICTION

DEPART IN SILENCE

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