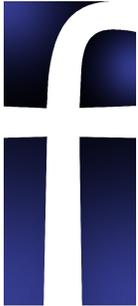


Good Friday Tenebrae

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Our Order of Worship

About our Worship Service This worship service is specially designed for midweek Lenten services.
Difficulty Hearing? Please ask an usher for a personal Telex Sound Enhancement receiver.
Difficulty Reading? Please ask an usher for a large print worship folder.



M: Minister; **W:** Worshipers

Tolling of the Bell

Our bell tolls 33 times to mark the Savior's death on Good Friday. Our sanctuary remains mostly dark as worship begins to signify the grief of Jesus' disciples on the evening of his death.

Opening Hymn: [119] Were You There

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

W: Amen

M: We gather together here remembering the day that our Lord and Savior gave his life on the cross. He died not because he had sinned but for our sin.

W [sing]: Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
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 Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
 Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

M: God foreshadowed the events of Good Friday throughout the Old Testament Day of Atonement.

W [sing]: Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
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 Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
 Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?

M: The goat will carry on itself all their sins to a remote place; and the man shall release it in the wilderness. (Leviticus 16:22)

W [sing]: 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?

M: Take heart brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus our Lord. Our sins were there. He died for our sins. It is because of his perfect life and innocent death that our God sees our sins no more. He has taken upon himself the iniquity of us all. May this service of remembrance lift your hearts to celebrate that forgiveness.

W: Amen

W [sing]: What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! CW 120:1
 What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
 What wondrous love is this That caused the Lord of bliss
 To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,
 To bear the dreadful curse for my soul!

The First Word: Luke 23:33-34

M: When they came to the place called the skull, there they crucified him, along with the criminals – one on his right, the other on his left. Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing.” And they divided up his clothes by casting lots.

W [sing]: When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down, CW 120:2
 When I was sinking down, sinking down,
 When I was sinking down Beneath God’s righteous frown,
 Christ laid aside his crown For my soul, for my soul,
 Christ laid aside his crown for my soul.

The Second Word: John 19:25-27

M: Near the cross of Jesus stood his mother, his mother’s sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother there, and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to his mother, “Dear woman here is your son,” and to the disciple, “Here is your mother.” From that time on, this disciple took her into his home.

W [sing]: To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing; CW 120:3
 To God and to the Lamb I will sing;
 To God and to the Lamb, Who is the great I Am,
 While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,
 While millions join the theme, I will sing.

Preparation for Lord's Supper

Worshippers stand.

- M:** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.
- W:** Jesus, I will ponder now On your holy passion; With your Spirit me endow For such meditation. Grant that I in love and faith May the image cherish Of your suffring, pain, and death That I may not perish.
- M:** God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.
- W:** Make me see your great distress, Anguish, and affliction. Bonds and stripes and wretchedness And your crucifixion; Make me see how scourge and rod, Spear and nails did wound you, How for them you died, O God, Who with thorns had crowned you.
- M:** God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- W:** Yet, O Lord, not thus alone Make me see your passion. But its cause to make me make known And its termination. Ah! I also and my sin Wrought your deep affliction; This indeed the cause has been Of your crucifixion.
- M:** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."
- W:** If my sins give me alarm And my conscience grieve me, Let your cross my fear disarm; Peace of conscience give me. Help me see forgiveness won By your holy passion. If for me he slays his Son, God must have compassion!
- M:** Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."
- W:** Grant that I your passion view With repentant grieving. Let me not bring shame to you By unholy living. How could I refuse to shun Ev'ry sinful pleasure Since for me God's only Son Suffered without measure?
- M:** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- W:** Graciously my faith renew; Help me bear my crosses, Learning humbleness from you, Peace mid pain and losses. May I give you love for love! Hear me, O my Savior, That I may in heav'n above Sing your praise forever.

Worshippers sit.

About Reception of Lord's Supper

Distribution of the Lord's Supper The ushers will direct worshipers to the communion table. Worshipers are asked to spend time in prayer for each other when not singing the communion hymn. Personal preparation for Holy Communion may be found on page 156 of Christian Worship.

For our members who would rather not climb the altar stairs, there are two options. (1) Members may also sit in the front pew on the east side of the sanctuary. (2) During the singing of the *Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)*, you may receive Lord's Supper by standing in the pew next to the main aisle. Following this, the rest of our communicants will be ushered to the communion rail as normal.

The wine of Lord's Supper is offered communicants in both individual glasses and a common cup. Worshipers wishing to receive the wine in individual glasses will take a glass from the tray when it is offered. (Please wait to drink the wine until the common cup is offered.) Those wishing to receive communion with the common cup will be served after the individual glasses have been offered. Worshipers will dispose of their individual glasses in the trays in front of the first pew.

Two kinds of wine are in the individual glasses. The darker colored wine contains alcohol and is the same wine as in the common cup. The lighter colored wine has had the alcohol removed.

Some communicants prefer that the pastor places the wafer in their hand rather than in their mouth. To indicate this, hold out your hand, palm up when the pastor passes by with the wafers. Communicants may wish to regulate the amount of wine they receive from the common cup. To accomplish this, you may take the chalice from pastor's hand when he presents it to you.

The Sixth Word: John 19:30

M: When he had received the drink, Jesus said, "It is finished." With that, he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

The Seventh Word: Luke 23:33-46

Song: Lamb of God

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Message: It is Finished

Gathering of Offerings for the Lord and Stripping of the Altar

Offering Prayer prior to the offering

All: O Lord, you love the cheerful giver. Grant us grace to give cheerfully and generously because you have cheerfully and generously given to us your Son. Remove from our hearts all selfishness and greed, so that, through your Son, both hearts and offerings may be acceptable in your sight. Amen.

The Stripping of the Altar

During the offertory the altar will be stripped. The stripping of the altar is a picture of the abandonment of Jesus by his Father, symbolized by the altar solemnly stripped of its appointments. Stripping the altar serves to prepare the chancel physically and the congregation psychologically for the events of our Good Friday Tenebrae Service.

Tenebrae Service

Prayer

M: Let us pray for the whole Church, that our gracious Father would defend her from the devil and keep her faithful to her Lord.

W: Almighty and everlasting God, you have revealed your saving name to the world through Jesus Christ our Lord. Protect us from the assaults of the evil one, and help us remain faithful to your Word.

Silent Prayer (toll of bell)

M: Let us pray for those who are being instructed in the Word.

W: You make us your dear children by the washing of rebirth and renewal in the Holy Spirit. Give strength to all who are buried with Christ in Baptism.

Silent Prayer (toll of bell)

M: Let us pray for our earthly government, our rulers and all who are in authority.

W: Gracious God you established earthly government to keep a measure of order in this dying world and to protect us from the disorder of sin. Give to all rulers the wisdom to govern well and to all citizens the desire to obey them.

Silent Prayer (toll of bell)

M: Let us pray for those who are outside the Church.

W: Heavenly Father your Son was lifted on the cross so that he might draw people to himself. Through the proclamation of your Word, mercifully gather from the nations a people that are your own.

Silent Prayer (toll of bell)

M: Let us pray for our enemies.

W: We ask that you would change the hearts of those who work against us and who hate us without reason. Give them repentance and faith.

Silent Prayer (toll of bell)

M: Let us pray for all who suffer under cross and trial.

W: Jesus bore our griefs and carried our sorrows. Help those who are suffering for your name's sake and who are struggling against temptation.

M: Hear all of these prayers for the sake of our Lord and savior who has taught us to pray:

All: 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Song of Praise: Via Doloroso

Sung by Dave Hoover

Dismissal In silence the congregation dismisses itself. We ask that worshipers, when they leave, respect the silence of the sanctuary for the benefit of those who wish to remain there for prayer.

Welcome to Fairview

Welcome, Guests! We are most pleased you are here and we pray you will be blessed. And we look forward to your worshipping with us again.

Fairview Congregation provides our students with a Lutheran elementary school education by

using the services of our sister WELS churches. We have also joined with other

Welcome

Lutheran congregations to operate Wisconsin Lutheran High School located just south of Bluemound Road and 84th Street. For more information please contact our pastor or staff minister.

If you would care to learn more about the free gift of forgiveness Jesus has won for you, our pastor, our ushers, or any of our members would be most pleased to speak with you.

Rest Rooms On this level rest rooms are located in our educational wing. There are also rest rooms in the fellowship hall on the lower level.

Nursery We offer a parents' room for the worship enhancement of parents with small children.

Although we encourage parents to worship with their small children, we also acknowledge that from time to time, small children may not be in a mood for public worship. Parents may sit with their children in this room, giving their children a place to move around while they listen to the service. The Parents' Room is located off the entryway to the church.

Visitor and Handicap Parking We have set aside the parking places directly in front of the church on Stevenson Street (from the corner to the no parking zone) for the convenience of our guests at worship and anyone who is handicapped.

We ask our members to leave those spaces open for that purpose. That may mean that some of us will have to walk a few steps farther than we're used to, but providing parking close to church is another way we can show our guests and handicapped worshippers that we care about them. *We...ought to love one another.*



About Communion In Holy Communion we receive Jesus' body and blood. That assures forgiveness. Lord's Supper is also an confession of common beliefs. For that reason, only those who are members of the Wisconsin Ev. Lutheran Synod should receive the Sacrament here. Our pastor will gladly discuss our beliefs if you wish to learn more.

Worship Schedule

Easter Festival service	9:00a
Regular weekend services	
Saturdays:	5:00p
Sundays:	9:00a

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