

Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer

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Good Friday Tenebrae Service

Friday March 29, 2024, 6:30 p.m.

Prelude

Four Lenten Hymn Tunes

Opening Sentences

Jesus said: I am the light of the world,

anyone who follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.

If I say, "Let the darkness cover me, and the light around me turn to night,"

darkness is not dark to you, O God.

The night is as bright as the day; darkness and light to you are both alike.

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 52:13-53:12

Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you

And also with you

Let us pray,

Almighty God, look with loving mercy on your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, and to be given over to the hands of sinners, and to suffer death on the cross; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen. (please stand)

Hymn "Were You There" #353, vs. 1-3

Adoration of the Cross (stated 3 times)

Turn to face the entrance of the church, following the cross as it is carried into the chancel. Behold, the life-giving cross on which was hung the salvation of the whole world. **Oh, come let us worship him.**

Assurance of Pardon

This is the message we have heard from Christ and proclaim to you:

God is light and in God there is no darkness.

If we walk in the light as Christ is in the light, we have communion with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ cleanses us from all sin. Amen.

Confession of Sin

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the aid of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that, attentive to your Word, we may confess our sins, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and one another. Gracious God,

have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Offering

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Text to Give: 605-250-6765 or Scan the QR code located in the pew Noisy Can Offering (for all ages) Mission of the Month: ELCA World Hunger

Lenten Offering: LCOOR Preschool



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The Service of Tenebrae

The Office of Tenebrae (the name means "Darkness" or "Shadow") is a Holy Week devotion which dates back to the seventh or eighth century A.D. and is characterized by the successive extinguishing of candles and darkening of the Sanctuary as the service progresses. The lessons commemorate the Last Supper, the betrayal, the arrest, Christ's passion, trial, death, and finally the burial and destitution of the disciples. No service during the entire year is more Biblical; most every word of the Tenebrae is taken from Scripture.

The First Nocturne "Abide with Me"

	The first candle is extinguished.	
First Lesson	"Jesus is Arrested in the Garden" The second candle is extinguished.	John 18:1-11
Second Lesson	"Simon Peter Denies Jesus" The third candle is extinguished.	John 18:12-18
Third Lesson	"Jesus is Tried by the Religious Authorities" The fourth candle is extinguished.	John 18:19-27

Lord's Prayer (spoken softly)

The Second Nocturne

Hymn	"O Sacred Head, Now Wounded " The fifth candle is extinguished.	#351, vs. 1 & 2
Fourth Lesson	"Jesus is Questioned by the Governor" The sixth candle is extinguished.	John 18:28-37
Fifth Lesson	"The Crowd Calls for Jesus' Death" The seventh candle is extinguished.	John 18:38-19:11
Sixth Lesson	"Jesus is Sentenced to Death" The eighth candle is extinguished.	John 19:12-16
Lord's Prayer (spoken softly)		

The Third Nocturne				
Hymn	"O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" The ninth candle is extinguished.	#351, vs. 3 & 4		
Seventh Lesson	"Jesus is Crucified" The tenth candle is extinguished.	John 19:17-27		
Eighth Lesson	"Jesus Dies and is Speared in the Side" The eleventh candle is extinguished.	John 19:28-37		
Ninth Lesson	"Jesus is Buried" The twelfth candle is extinguished.	John 19:38-42		
Hymn	"Were You There" The thirteenth candle is extinguished.	#353, vs. 4 & 5		

Final Reading Romans 6:5-11

For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever had died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you must also consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

The fourteenth candle is extinguished.

(At the conclusion of the reading the final candle is extinguished. A loud noise is heard to signify the death of our Lord. After a pause, the Christ Candle is lit as a symbolic promise of the resurrection.)

The Light shines in the darkness (*Christ Candle is relit*) and the darkness has not overcome it.

Departure – At the completion of the service, please leave silently, maintaining the spirit of worship befitting this solemn evening.

Easter Sunday Services:

7:00 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion 8:30 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion 10:00 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion

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Serving

Presiding: Pastor Dan and Pastor Laura Overbo; **Organist:** AJ Sherrill; **Sound & Projection:** Zach Stanton; **Lector:** Lily Lindsay;

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HYMN FOR HOLY WEEK

Great God, Your Love Has Called Us

HOLY WEEK MILESTONES

Take a moment to tell or think about a recent mountain high and/or valley low in your life.

CARING CONVERSATIONS



Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

- When you hear the word "service," who or what comes to mind?
- How is washing dirty feet an example of Jesus' service and power?

DEVOTIONS



Read: John 13:1-17, 31b-35.

Maundy (meaning commandment) Thursday identifies the day Jesus gives a new commandment and is the beginning of Jesus' glorification. Since John 2:4 when Jesus told his mother, Mary, "My hour has not yet come," he made it clear that there would be for him a defining moment in his future. That moment, that hour, has now come. It is the night of Jesus' betrayal by Judas when Jesus gives a new commandment to love one another as Jesus has loved them. The example of that love is seen in washing the disciples' feet. Peter thought it was too humiliating for a teacher to stoop so low. Jesus said that later Peter would understand. That delayed understanding would come with Jesus' glorification through his death, resurrection, and ascension. Later, Peter—and the other disciples—would discover that Jesus would stoop even lower and yet rise even higher. Jesus' humiliation from the cross sets the stage for his followers to understand loving service as the height of glory in Jesus' realm. *Discuss:* How does Jesus' example of loving service encourage you to serve?

Pray: Almighty God, it is your will to save us through your steadfast love; help us to live Jesus' commandment to love that others may know of your glory and saving work. Amen.

SERVICE &



Jesus calls us to serve our neighbor in love. Based on the Holy Week Readings and theme for this week, how can you serve others with a loving heart?

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS



Light six candles of the seven votive candles shaped like a cross being used for Lent. Read John 18:1–19:42 or for children, read about the betrayal and death of Jesus in a storybook Bible. At the point in the reading when the death of Jesus is described, snuff out the candles and sit in silence for a moment while looking at the cross.

Then pray: Lord Jesus, you stretched out your arms in love for us. Through your suffering we are healed. Open our hearts to receive your love and serve others. Amen.

In addition to Taking Faith Home, celebrate milestones in your daily life as an effective faith formation tool. Go to: www.milestonesministry.org



THE WEEKLY WORD- ANNOUNCEMENTS

SAVE™ DATE

Communion

During the April 7 class. students will receive Instruction, make bread & paint their own pottery.

Parents attend this class.

Sunday, April 7 10:30-12:00

Recognition:

Sunday, April 21 9:30 or Wednesday, April 24 6:30



1st-4th Grade



SUNDAY, APRIL 14 AT 10:45 AM LCOOR SOUTH PARKING LOT

Bring your motorcycles and bicycles to Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer on Sunday, April 14 at 10:45 a.m. (following 9:30 a.m. worship) for a biker blessing as we head into

NO SANDWICH MINISTRY

1ST - 4TH GRADE JUNCTION

Join us from 6-7:30

MONDAY, APRIL 8

p.m. for games crafts, snacks and

March 24, 25, 29, 31 & April 1, 2024.

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Sign up at the Welcome Center. Recipe & instructions are provided.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

March 24-31

Palm Sunday (March 24): Kids Sing for Worship with Procession of Palms at 9:30 a.m.

Maundy Thursday (March 28): Worship with Holy Communion at 6:30 p.m.

Good Friday (March 29): Tenebrae Worship at 6:30 p.m. Easter Sunday (March 31): with Holy Communion at all services: 7:00 a.m. Worship with Handbells 8:30 a.m. Worship with Choir 10:00 a.m. Worship with Choir

COOKIES NEEDED

Sandwich Ministry is in need of cookies. We have cookie kits available for pick up at th Welcome Center or church office. You can also bake you own & drop them off at the

church. Thank you!

LUTHERAN CHUURCH OF OUR REDEEMER PRESCHOOL FUNDRAISER

Support the LCOOR Preschool during the month of April. Their "Giving Wall" will be set up at the Welcome Center and Rada Cutlery catalogs and order forms are also available. Thank you!



Global Health **Ministries**

We are collecting hospice kits in March.

Instructions can be found at the Welcome Center or in the church

March 29-April 3

Friday March 29 (Good Friday)

Church Office Closes at Noon No Sandwich Ministry 6:30 p.m. Good Friday Worship

Saturday March 30

No Saturday Worship (Holy Week)

Sunday March 31 (Easter Sunday)

No Church School - No Sandwich Ministry

7:00 a.m. Worship (Holy Communion) 8:30 a.m. Worship (Holy Communion) 10:00 a.m. Worship (Holy Communion) No Luther League 2.0

Monday April 1

No Preschool- Easter Monday No Sandwich Ministry Office Closed 6:45 p.m. Al-Anon

Tuesday April 2

10:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Group 11:00 a.m. Text Study 1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting

Wednesday April 3

8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry

12:15 p.m. Men's Lunch

4:45 p.m. Community Meal-Tacos

5:30 p.m. Church School

6:30 p.m. Worship

7:15 p.m. 7th/8th Grade Confirmation

7:30 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal

7:30 p.m. Praise & Rejoice Choir

Rehearsal

Print too small? Large print bulletins are available at all worship services.



Attendance & Offering

March 17 Live Stream–154 Saturday, March 23-52 Sunday, March 24–281 Wednesday, March 20 - 347

Offering (3/24):

General Fund: \$6,978;

Debt Reduction: \$20; Lent: \$90; Mission of the Month: \$70.55; Other: \$70; Church School: \$54.10 Simply Giving Offering (3/18-3/22):

General Fund: \$4,334.31;

Debt Reduction: \$123.48; Other: \$165;

Mission of the Month: \$140;

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MARCH 28-29, 2024 MAUNDY THURSDAY GOOD FRIDAY

Jesus gives a new commandment.

HOLY WEEK BIBLE READINGS

Take time to read and reflect on these Bible passages as part of your Holy Week observances.

Thursday John 13:1-17, 31b-35 Jesus washes disciples' feet
Friday John 18:1—19:42 The crucifixion of Jesus
Saturday Psalm 31:1-4, 15-16 Prayer for deliverance

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR HOLY WEEK

He [Jesus] came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." John 13:6-7 (NRSV)

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for Holy Week:

Holy God, in the betrayal, abandonment, suffering and death of Jesus we see the depth of your love and mercy; give us faith to trust in your saving work through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

Dear God, as you give us this food, also give us hearts and minds to receive your saving work with gladness and your call to love and serve others with boldness. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May the power of Christ's love be your strength.

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