

The Seventh Candle: John 19:30

Silence

Amidst the Darkness — Hope

All Leave in Silence

This story does not end with tonight's events. Thanks be to God. As you leave, please leave in silence, remembering that, although the light was extinguished, the darkness will not and cannot overcome the light.

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Easter Sunday, April 16

Worship Services at 9:00 AM and 11:15 AM
Communion will be served at both worship services.

Easter Family Event and Easter Egg Hunt at 10:00 AM

Join us to celebrate the Resurrection!

Tenebrae

A Service of Darkness



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Boulevard Presbyterian Church

April 14, 2017 7:00 pm

Good Friday

The Service of Tenebrae, once an observance of the monastic community, has been practiced by the church since medieval times. Tenebrae has become an important part of the Holy Week practices for generations, and we join Christians throughout the world in this time of meditation on Christ's suffering and death. The scripture readings trace the story of the crucifixion and recall for us the seven last words of Christ on the cross. As candles are extinguished, one by one, we witness the power of darkness and silence. Tonight, we remember the overwhelming sacrifice of God's only son and ponder the depth of God's love for us.

Prelude

"Ah, Holy Jesus"
Bells Te Deum

Introit

"When Jesus Wept" William Billings
Chancel Choir and Bells Te Deum arr. Karle Erickson

*When Jesus wept, the falling tear in mercy flowed beyond all bound;
when Jesus groaned, a trembling fear seized all the guilty world around.*

Procession of the Cross

Leader: Behold the life-giving cross,
On which was hung the Savior of the whole world.

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Reading: John 18:38b-19:18

Hymn No. 93

Ah, Holy Jesus

The First Candle: Matthew 27:45-49

Hymn No. 95

He Never Said a Mumbalin' Word

The Second Candle: Luke 23:32-34

Hymn No. 98

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

The Third Candle: Luke 23:39-43

Anthem

"None Other Lamb"

Craig Courtney

text: Christina G. Rossetti

*None other Lamb, none other Name, None other Hope in Heav'n or earth or sea,
None other hiding place from guilt or shame, None beside Thee. None beside Thee.*

*My faith burns low, my hope burns low, only my heart's desire cries out in me,
By the deep thunder of its want and woe cries out to Thee. Cries out to Thee.*

*Lord, Thou are life, tho' I be dead; Love's fire Thou art, however cold I be:
Nor heav'n have I, nor place to lay my head, Nor home, but Thee, nor home, but Thee,
nor home, but Thee.*

None other Lamb.

The Fourth Candle: John 19:25-27

Hymn No. 102, v. 1 & 2

Were You There

The Fifth Candle: John 19:28-29

Hymn No. 102, v. 3 & 4

Were You There

The Sixth Candle: Luke 23:44-46

Anthem

"Thy Will Be Done"

Craig Courtney

text: based on Matthew 26:36-42

*Our cup was filled with darkness, Our cup was filled with death.
Christ took our cup and drank it, and gave us life and gave us hope, gave us Himself.*

My Father, let this cup pass from me; yet not my will, O Lord, but Thine be done.

*In blackest night we hear Him in dark Gethsemane.
Pleading with the Father for one more way, for one more hope, for one more day.*

My Father, let this cup pass from me; yet not my will, O Lord, but Thine be done.

*Then they took our Savior, and led Him to a tree;
and there they broke His body, poured out his life, put Him to death to rise again!*

My Father, let this cup pass from me; yet not my will, O Lord, but Thine be done.