

The Tenebrae service ends in darkness and silence; there will be no postlude. You may leave whenever you wish after the solo “*Were You There?*” Please observe the vigil of silence until you leave the building.



April 17, 2014
7:30 p.m.

Maundy Thursday Tenebrae Service

John W. W. Sherer Organist and Director of Music
Thomas E. Gouwens Associate Organist
Carol Carpenter Soloist
The Chancel Choir

PASTORAL STAFF

Shannon J. Kershner, Pastor-Elect (*joining us May 1*)
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Judith L. Watt, Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care
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John Buchanan, Pastor Emeritus

Please join us as we continue our journey to the cross and to Easter. In addition to a 12:10 p.m. Good Friday service, there will be a Choral Service at 7:30 p.m., featuring Dubois’ *The Seven Last Words of Christ*. Our Easter Vigil on Saturday will begin at 8:00 p.m. with the kindling of a fire in the Garth and is followed by a candlelight procession into the Sanctuary. On Easter morning, we will gather at Oak Street Beach at 6:30 a.m. for the sunrise service, and Easter worship in the Sanctuary will take place at 8:00, 9:30, and 11:30 a.m., with a children’s service at 9:30 a.m. in the Gratz Center. The annual Easter jazz service will take place at 4:00 p.m. For those unable to join us on Easter, we will be live streaming the 11:30 a.m. service at www.fourthchurch.org.

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Maundy Thursday receives its name from the Latin *mandatum novum do vobis*, “A new commandment I give you.” This new commandment, given by Jesus on the night he washed the disciples’ feet, was “to love one another just as I have loved you.”

It is his example of—and our call to—love and service that we remember on Maundy Thursday.

This service is an adaptation of the ancient office of Tenebrae (from the Latin word for “shadows”), which included a solemn observance of Holy Communion. The office is a portrayal of the progression from light to darkness in the passion of Jesus, beginning with his abandonment on Thursday and concluding with his crucifixion on Friday.

PRELUDE

The Celestial Banquet
Suite Médiévale
Méditation

Olivier Messiaen
Jean Langlais

OPENING SENTENCES

Matthew 20:17–19; Luke 22:7–13; John 13:3–5, 33–35

WELCOME AND INVOCATION

***HYMN 248**

“You Are Before Me, Lord”

Tune: SURSUM CORDA

**Stand as you are able.*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

Eternal God, we have seen your love in Jesus Christ,
who washed the disciples' feet
on the night of his betrayal.

We confess that in spite of your faithfulness to us,
we betray our neighbors and, like Simon Peter,
desert our friends and run in fear
when we should be loyal.

Though you have bound yourself to us,
we seem unable to bind ourselves to you.

We are weak and willful people, O God,
dependent upon your mercy.

Wash from us the stain of sin,
so that in hours of danger and times of trial,
we may be faithful to Christ our Savior. Amen.

Minister: Lord, have mercy upon us.

People: Christ, have mercy upon us.

All: Lord, have mercy upon us.

ANTHEM

"Sing, My Tongue, Sing!" *Dave Brubeck*
from *Pange Lingua Variations*

THE SHADOW OF TEMPTATION Luke 22:1–6

THE SHADOW OF BETRAYAL Matthew 26:20–25

HYMN OF PREPARATION (The Hymnal, 94)
"An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare" *Tune: O WALY WALY*

THE LORD'S SUPPER

COMMUNION ANTHEM

"The Word Made Flesh" *D. Brubeck*
from *Pange Lingua Variations*

PSALM 23 (*recited in unison after all have received the cup*)

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures,
he leadeth me beside the still waters.
He restoreth my soul; he leadeth me in
the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil; for thou art with me;
thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me.
Thou preparest a table before me in the presence
of mine enemies; thou anointest my head with oil;
my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy
shall follow me all the days of my life;
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

THE SHADOW OF DESERTION Matthew 26:30–35

THE SHADOW OF WEAKNESS Mark 14:32–42

***HYMN 93**

"Ah, Holy Jesus" *Tune: HERZLIEBSTER JESU*

THE SHADOW OF HUMILIATION Matthew 26:57–68

THE SHADOW OF DENIAL Matthew 26:69–75

ANTHEM

"Thus on the Night" *D. Brubeck*
from *Pange Lingua Variations*

THE SHADOW OF JUDGMENT Luke 23:1–5, 18–25

THE SHADOW OF THE CROSS Matthew 27:27–37

SOLO

"Were You There?" *African American spiritual*
