



Good Friday

Service of
Tenebrae

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Tappahannock Memorial UMC

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April 15, 2022

7:00 pm

Gathering *Please gather in silence.*

Music *“Go to Dark Gethsemane”*

Greeting

God is light, in whom there is no darkness at all.

Jesus Christ is the Light of the world.

And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world

and we loved darkness rather than light.

Scripture **Isaiah 52:13 - 53:12** pp. 683-684

¹³See, my servant shall prosper; he shall be exalted and lifted up, and shall be very high. ¹⁴Just as there were many who were astonished at him—so marred was his appearance, beyond human semblance, and his form beyond that of mortals— ¹⁵so he shall startle many nations; kings shall shut their mouths because of him; for that which had not been told them they shall see, and that which they had not heard they shall contemplate.

53Who has believed what we have heard? And to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed? ²For he grew up before him like a young plant, and like a root out of dry ground; he had no form or majesty that we should look at him, nothing in his appearance that we should desire him. ³He was despised and rejected by others; a man of suffering and acquainted with infirmity; and as one from whom others hide their faces he was despised, and we held him of no account.

⁴Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted. ⁵But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment

that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed. ⁶All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. ⁷He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. ⁸By a perversion of justice he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future? For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people. ⁹They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth.

¹⁰Yet it was the will of the Lord to crush him with pain. When you make his life an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the Lord shall prosper. ¹¹Out of his anguish he shall see light; he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge. The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. ¹²Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out himself to death, and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

Hymn “What Wondrous Love Is This”

UMH # 292, v. 1, 2

1. What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,
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.
2. What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,
what wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this, that caused the Lord of life

to lay aside his crown for my soul, for my soul,
to lay aside his crown for my soul.

Psalter

Psalm 22:1-8, 25-31

UMH # 292

¹My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

**Why are you so far from helping me, from the
words of my groaning?**

²O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer;
and by night, but find no rest.

³Yet you, the praise of Israel, are enthroned in holiness.

**⁴In you our forebears trusted; they trusted, and you
delivered them.**

⁵To you they cried, and were saved;

in you they trusted, and were not disappointed.

⁶But I am a worm, and not human;

scorned by others, and despised by the people.

⁷All who see me mock at me;

they make mouths at me, they wag their heads;

⁸“He committed his cause to the Lord; let the Lord deliver
him. Let the Lord rescue him, for the Lord delights in him!”

**⁹Yet it was you who took me from the womb; you
kept me safe upon my mother’s breast.**

¹⁰Upon you I was cast from my birth, and since my mother
bore me, you have been my God.

**¹¹Do not be far from me, for trouble is near and
there is none to help.**

¹²Many bulls encompass me, strong bulls of Bashan surround
me;

**¹³they open wide their mouths at me, like a
ravening and roaring lion.**

¹⁴I am poured out like water,

and all my bones are out of joint;

my heart is like wax,

it is melted within my breast;

¹⁵my mouth is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue cleaves to my jaws;

you lay me in the dust of death.

¹⁶Indeed, dogs surround me;

a company of evildoers encircles me; they have pierced my hands and feet -

¹⁷I can count all my bones -

they stare and gloat over me;

¹⁸they divide my garments among them,

and for my raiment, they cast lots.

²⁵From you comes my praise in the great congregation;

my vows I will pay before those who worship the Lord.

²⁶The poor shall eat and be satisfied;

those who seek the Lord shall praise the Lord! May your hearts live for ever!

²⁷All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord;

and all the families of the nations shall worship before the Lord.

²⁸For dominion belongs to the Lord who rules over the nations.

²⁹**All who sleep in the earth shall bow down to the Lord.**

All who go down to the dust shall bow before the Lord, and I shall live for God.

³⁰**Posterity shall serve the Lord;**

each generation shall tell of the Lord, ³¹and proclaim his deliverance to a people yet unborn.

Surely the Lord has done it.

Hymn *“Beneath the Cross of Jesus”* UMH # 297

1. Beneath the cross of Jesus
I fain would take my stand,
the shadow of a mighty rock
within a weary land;

a home within the wilderness,
a rest upon the way,
from the burning of the noontide heat,
and the burden of the day.

2. Upon that cross of Jesus
mine eye at times can see
the very dying form of One
who suffered there for me;
and from my stricken heart with tears
two wonders I confess:
the wonders of redeeming love
and my unworthiness.
3. I take, O cross, thy shadow
for my abiding place;
I ask no other sunshine than
the sunshine of his face;
content to let the world go by,
to know no gain nor loss,
my sinful self my only shame,
my glory all the cross.

Prayer

Good Friday

UMH # 284

**Almighty God,
graciously behold this your family,
for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing
to be betrayed into the hands of sinners,
and to suffer death upon the cross;
who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy
Spirit, One God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE PASSION OF JESUS CHRIST

John 18:1-11

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18After Jesus had spoken these words, he went out with his disciples across the Kidron valley to a place where there was a garden, which he and his disciples entered. ²Now Judas,

who betrayed him, also knew the place, because Jesus often met there with his disciples. ³So Judas brought a detachment of soldiers together with police from the chief priests and the Pharisees, and they came there with lanterns and torches and weapons. ⁴Then Jesus, knowing all that was to happen to him, came forward and asked them, “Whom are you looking for?” ⁵They answered, “Jesus of Nazareth.” Jesus replied, “I am he.” Judas, who betrayed him, was standing with them. ⁶When Jesus said to them, “I am he,” they stepped back and fell to the ground. ⁷Again he asked them, “Whom are you looking for?” And they said, “Jesus of Nazareth.” ⁸Jesus answered, “I told you that I am he. So if you are looking for me, let these men go.” ⁹This was to fulfill the word that he had spoken, “I did not lose a single one of those whom you gave me.” ¹⁰Then Simon Peter, who had a sword, drew it, struck the high priest’s slave, and cut off his right ear. The slave’s name was Malchus. ¹¹Jesus said to Peter, “Put your sword back into its sheath. Am I not to drink the cup that the Father has given me?”

The first candle is extinguished.

John 18:12-14

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¹²So the soldiers, their officer, and the Jewish police arrested Jesus and bound him.

¹³First they took him to Annas, who was the father-in-law of Caiaphas, the high priest that year. ¹⁴Caiaphas was the one who had advised the Jews that it was better to have one person die for the people.

The second candle is extinguished.

John 18:15-18

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¹⁵Simon Peter and another disciple followed Jesus. Since that disciple was known to the high priest, he went with Jesus into the courtyard of the high priest, ¹⁶but Peter was standing outside at the gate. So the other disciple, who was known to

the high priest, went out, spoke to the woman who guarded the gate, and brought Peter in. ¹⁷The woman said to Peter, “You are not also one of this man’s disciples, are you?” He said, “I am not.” ¹⁸Now the slaves and the police had made a charcoal fire because it was cold, and they were standing around it and warming themselves. Peter also was standing with them and warming himself.

The third candle is extinguished.

John 18:19-24

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¹⁹Then the high priest questioned Jesus about his disciples and about his teaching. ²⁰Jesus answered, “I have spoken openly to the world; I have always taught in synagogues and in the temple, where all the Jews come together. I have said nothing in secret. ²¹Why do you ask me? Ask those who heard what I said to them; they know what I said.” ²²When he had said this, one of the police standing nearby struck Jesus on the face, saying, “Is that how you answer the high priest?” ²³Jesus answered, “If I have spoken wrongly, testify to the wrong. But if I have spoken rightly, why do you strike me?” ²⁴Then Annas sent him bound to Caiaphas the high priest.

The fourth candle is extinguished.

John 18:25-27

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²⁵Now Simon Peter was standing and warming himself. They asked him, “You are not also one of his disciples, are you?” He denied it and said, “I am not.” ²⁶One of the slaves of the high priest, a relative of the man whose ear Peter had cut off, asked, “Did I not see you in the garden with him?” ²⁷Again Peter denied it, and at that moment the cock crowed.

The fifth candle is extinguished.

John 18:28-32

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²⁸Then they took Jesus from Caiaphas to Pilate’s headquarters. It was early in the morning. They themselves

did not enter the headquarters, so as to avoid ritual defilement and to be able to eat the Passover. ²⁹So Pilate went out to them and said, "What accusation do you bring against this man?" ³⁰They answered, "If this man were not a criminal, we would not have handed him over to you." ³¹Pilate said to them, "Take him yourselves and judge him according to your law." The Jews replied, "We are not permitted to put anyone to death." ³²(This was to fulfill what Jesus had said when he indicated the kind of death he was to die.)

The sixth candle is extinguished.

Hymn *"Were You There"* UMH # 288, v. 1, 2

1. Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Oh! sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble,
tremble.
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
2. Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree?
Oh! sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble,
tremble.
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?

John 18:33-38

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³³Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" ³⁴Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" ³⁵Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" ³⁶Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." ³⁷Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone

who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.”³⁸Pilate asked him, “What is truth?” After he had said this, he went out to the Jews again and told them, “I find no case against him.

The seventh candle is extinguished.

John 18:39-40

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³⁹But you have a custom that I release someone for you at the Passover. Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?”⁴⁰They shouted in reply, “Not this man, but Barabbas!” Now Barabbas was a bandit.

The eighth candle is extinguished.

John 19:1-11

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19Then Pilate took Jesus and had him flogged.²And the soldiers wove a crown of thorns and put it on his head, and they dressed him in a purple robe.³They kept coming up to him, saying, “Hail, King of the Jews!” and striking him on the face.⁴Pilate went out again and said to them, “Look, I am bringing him out to you to let you know that I find no case against him.”⁵So Jesus came out, wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe. Pilate said to them, “Here is the man!”⁶When the chief priests and the police saw him, they shouted, “Crucify him! Crucify him!” Pilate said to them, “Take him yourselves and crucify him; I find no case against him.”⁷The Jews answered him, “We have a law, and according to that law he ought to die because he has claimed to be the Son of God.”⁸Now when Pilate heard this, he was more afraid than ever.⁹He entered his headquarters again and asked Jesus, “Where are you from?” But Jesus gave him no answer.¹⁰Pilate therefore said to him, “Do you refuse to speak to me? Do you not know that I have power to release you, and power to crucify you?”¹¹Jesus answered him, “You would have no power over me unless it had been given you from above; therefore the one who handed me over to you is guilty of a greater sin.”

The ninth candle is extinguished.

John 19:12-16a

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¹²From then on Pilate tried to release him, but the Jews cried out, “If you release this man, you are no friend of the emperor. Everyone who claims to be a king sets himself against the emperor.” ¹³When Pilate heard these words, he brought Jesus outside and sat on the judge’s bench at a place called The Stone Pavement, or in Hebrew Gabbatha. ¹⁴Now it was the day of Preparation for the Passover; and it was about noon. He said to the Jews, “Here is your King!” ¹⁵They cried out, “Away with him! Away with him! Crucify him!” Pilate asked them, “Shall I crucify your King?” The chief priests answered, “We have no king but the emperor.”

¹⁶Then he handed him over to them to be crucified.

The tenth candle is extinguished.

John 19:16b-22

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¹⁶So they took Jesus; ¹⁷and carrying the cross by himself, he went out to what is called The Place of the Skull, which in Hebrew is called Golgotha. ¹⁸There they crucified him, and with him two others, one on either side, with Jesus between them.

¹⁹Pilate also had an inscription written and put on the cross. It read, “Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews.” ²⁰Many of the Jews read this inscription, because the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city; and it was written in Hebrew, in Latin, and in Greek. ²¹Then the chief priests of the Jews said to Pilate, “Do not write, ‘The King of the Jews,’ but, ‘This man said, I am King of the Jews.’” ²²Pilate answered, “What I have written I have written.”

The eleventh candle is extinguished.

John 19:25-27

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²⁵And that is what the soldiers did. Meanwhile, standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother’s

sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. ²⁶When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, “Woman, here is your son.” ²⁷Then he said to the disciple, “Here is your mother.” And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

The twelfth candle is extinguished.

John 19:28-30

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²⁸After this, when Jesus knew that all was now finished, he said (in order to fulfill the scripture), “I am thirsty.” ²⁹A jar full of sour wine was standing there. So they put a sponge full of the wine on a branch of hyssop and held it to his mouth. ³⁰When Jesus had received the wine, he said, “It is finished.” Then he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

The thirteenth candle is extinguished.

John 19:28-30

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The fourteenth candle is extinguished.

John 19:31-37

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³¹Since it was the day of Preparation, the Jews did not want the bodies left on the cross during the sabbath, especially because that sabbath was a day of great solemnity. So they asked Pilate to have the legs of the crucified men broken and the bodies removed. ³²Then the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first and of the other who had been crucified with him. ³³But when they came to Jesus and saw that he was already dead, they did not break his legs. ³⁴Instead, one of the soldiers pierced his side with a spear, and at once blood and

water came out. ³⁵(He who saw this has testified so that you also may believe. His testimony is true, and he knows that he tells the truth.) ³⁶These things occurred so that the scripture might be fulfilled, “None of his bones shall be broken.” ³⁷And again another passage of scripture says, “They will look on the one whom they have pierced.”

The Christ candle is extinguished.

John 19:38-42

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³⁸After these things, Joseph of Arimathea, who was a disciple of Jesus, though a secret one because of his fear of the Jews, asked Pilate to let him take away the body of Jesus. Pilate gave him permission; so he came and removed his body. ³⁹Nicodemus, who had at first come to Jesus by night, also came, bringing a mixture of myrrh and aloes, weighing about a hundred pounds. ⁴⁰They took the body of Jesus and wrapped it with the spices in linen cloths, according to the burial custom of the Jews. ⁴¹Now there was a garden in the place where he was crucified, and in the garden there was a new tomb in which no one had ever been laid. ⁴²And so, because it was the Jewish day of Preparation, and the tomb was nearby, they laid Jesus there.

Hymn

“Were You There”

UMH # 288, v. 5

5. 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?

Dismissal

Go in peace. May Jesus Christ, who for our sake became obedient unto death, even death on a cross, keep you and strengthen you this night and for ever. Amen.

Going Forth

Please leave in silence as we await the coming resurrection.

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