

Good Friday Worship
April 15, 2022
Our Savior's Lutheran, ELCA
“A Tenebrae Service of Silence and Shadows”

Prayer

Silence

L: Christ has died,
Christ has risen,
Christ will come again!

Silence

Song “Go to Dark Gethsemane” # 347

Silence

Call to Worship

L: God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish, but have eternal life. (John 3: 16)

C: We have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession.

L: We have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin.

C: Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. (Hebrews 4: 14-16)

Song “Ah, Holy Jesus” # 349 (vs. 1-3)

Silence

Litany of Confession

L: Dear God, this day is filled with darkness and mourning, but we need to remember. Help us to remember.

C: We need to remember we are your creation and we are created in your image as reflections of your love.

L: We remember yesterday and we are sorry because we have failed in love and friendship. We have tried so hard but we have failed so miserably.

C: On this day of darkness, may your presence remove our sorrow and fill us with a new sense of purpose and fulfillment. Amen.

Declaration of God's Pardon

L: God, our heavenly Creator hears the prayers of all people and answers those prayers. Our prayer for forgiveness is answered in the person of Jesus Christ, God's son, who died for our sin that we might have new life. The distance between God and us has been brought together by love made perfect in the sacrifice of Jesus. To those who believe God's word of truth comes the power to be the people of God. Praise God for the gift of love.

C: Amen

Isaiah 52: 13-53: 12

Silence

Song

"Were You There"

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The Service of Shadows

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| 1. The Shadow of Betrayal | Matthew 26: 14-25 |
| 2. The Shadow of Inner Agony | Luke 22: 39-44 |
| 3. The Shadow of Loneliness | Matthew 26: 40-46 |
| 4. The Shadow of Desertion | Matthew 26: 47-56 |
| 5. The Shadow of Accusation and Denial | Matthew 26: 57-65 |
| 6. The Shadow of Mockery | Matthew 15: 6-20 |
| The Carpenter and the Cross/A Gift of Music | |
| 7. The Shadow of Death | Luke 23: 33-44 |

Silent Reflection on the Cross

Song Chanted Softly "Jesus, Remember Me"

Jesus remember me, when you come into your kingdom.

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Silent Prayer/Mediation

Good Friday Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Silence

The Announcement...

(All Leave in Silence)

Note: You are invited to stay for silent meditation and prayer as long as you would like. Some may wish to touch or even kiss the cross, you are welcome. Please leave the church in silence when you are ready.

If you have an **offering tonight**, please leave it in the basket in the back of the church as you leave.