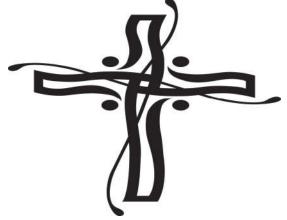
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# **Shared Good Friday Tenebrae Service**

Online (Zoom ID# 737 856 524)
Password 067082

April 15, 2022

7:00 P.M.

### **GATHERING**

Please gather in silence.

OPENING SENTENCES (spoken responsively)

1 Peter 2:24

One: Christ Jesus bore our sins in his body on the cross

so that we might die to sin and live for righteousness.

Many: Blessed is the name of the Lord.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, look with 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.** 

\*GATHERING HYMN (\*Denotes to stand if able.)

No. 101, Blue Hymnal

# When I Survey the Wondrous Cross



# SOLEMN REPROACHES OF THE CROSS (spoken responsively)

This is the cross that held the Savior of the world.

Come, let us worship God.

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## O my people, O my church, what more could I have done for you? Answer me!

I led you out of slavery into freedom, and delivered you through the waters of rebirth, but you have made a cross for your Savior.

Holy God, Holy and mighty, Holy immortal One, have mercy upon us.

Forty years I led you through the desert, feeding you with manna on the way; I saved you from the time of trial and gave you my body, the bread of heaven, but you have made a cross for your Savior.

Holy God, Holy and mighty, Holy immortal One, have mercy upon us.

I led you on your way in a pillar of cloud and fire, but you led me to the judgment hall of Pilate; I guided you by the light of the Holy Spirit, but you have made a cross for your Savior.

Holy God, Holy and mighty, Holy immortal One, have mercy upon us.

I planted you as my fairest vineyard, but you brought forth bitter fruit; I made you branches of the vine and never left your side, but you have made a cross for your Savior.

Holy God, Holy and mighty, Holy immortal One, have mercy upon us.

I poured out saving water from the rock, but you gave me vinegar to drink; I poured out my life and gave you the new covenant in my blood, but you have made a cross for your Savior.

Holy God, Holy and mighty, Holy immortal One, have mercy upon us.

I gave you a royal scepter, but you gave me a crown of thorns; I gave you the kingdom and crowned you with eternal life, but you have made a cross for your Savior.

Holy God, Holy and mighty, Holy immortal One, have mercy upon us.

I struck down your enemies, but you struck my head with a reed; I gave you my peace, but you draw the sword in my name, and you have made a cross for your Savior.

Holy God, Holy and mighty, Holy immortal One, have mercy upon us.

I opened the waters to lead you to the promised land, but you opened my side with a spear;
I washed your feet as a sign of my love, but you have made a cross for your Savior.

Holy God, Holy and mighty, Holy immortal One, have mercy upon us.

I lifted you up to the heights, but you lifted me high on the cross; I raised you from death and prepared for you the tree of life, but you have made a cross for your Savior.

Holy God, Holy and mighty, Holy immortal One, have mercy upon us.

I grafted you into my people Israel, but you made them scapegoats for your own guilt, and you have made a cross for your Savior.

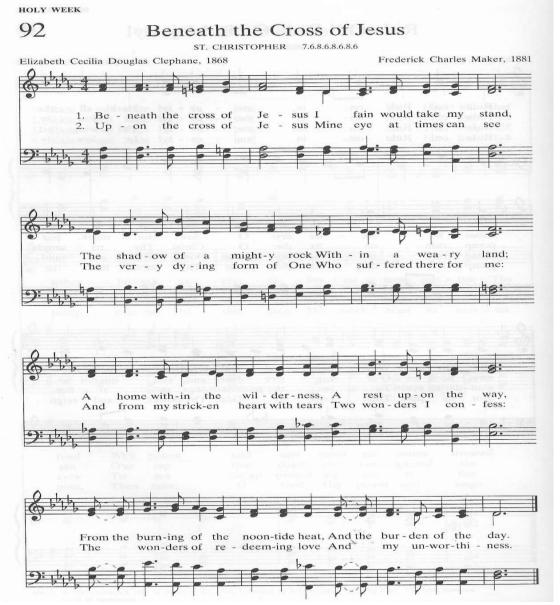
Holy God, Holy and mighty, Holy immortal One, have mercy upon us.

I was hungry and you gave me no food, thirsty and you gave me no drink a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not visit me, and you have made a cross for your Savior.

Holy God, Holy and mighty, Holy immortal One, have mercy upon us.

#### \*CONFESSIONAL HYMN

No. 92, Blue Hymnal



## **WORD**

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**FIRST LESSON** (page 683) Isaiah 52:13-53:12

- 52:13 See, my servant shall prosper; he shall be exalted and lifted up, and shall be very high.
- 52:14 Just as there were many who were astonished at him—so marred was his appearance, beyond human semblance, and his form beyond that of mortals—
- 52:15 so 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.
- 53:1 Who has believed what we have heard? And to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?
- 53:2 For 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.
- 53:3 He 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.
- 53:4 Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted.
- 53:5 But 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.
- 53:6 All 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.
- 53:7 He 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.
- 53:8 By 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.
- 53:9 They 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.

- 53:10 Yet 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.
- 53:11 Out 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.
- 53:12 Therefore 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.

**GOSPEL LESSON** 

(page 33)

Matthew 27:45-54

- 27:45 From noon on, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon.
- 27:46 And about three o'clock Jesus cried with a loud voice, "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?" that is, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"
- 27:47 When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, "This man is calling for Elijah."
- 27:48 At once one of them ran and got a sponge, filled it with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink.
- 27:49 But the others said, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him."
- 27:50 Then Jesus cried again with a loud voice and breathed his last.
- 27:51 At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. The earth shook, and the rocks were split.
- 27:52 The tombs also were opened, and many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised.
- 27:53 After his resurrection they came out of the tombs and entered the holy city and appeared to many.
- 27:54 Now when the centurion and those with him, who were keeping watch over Jesus, saw the earthquake and what took place, they were terrified and said, "Truly this man was God's Son!"

**SOLO** 

"What Wondrous Love Is This"

Chris Fox

**SERMON** 

"Forsaken"

The Rev. Dr. James B. Rea, Jr.

#### THE SOLEMN INTERCESSION

Beloved people of God, as Jesus stretched out his arms on the cross to offer life and salvation to all, let us pray for the world that God loves so much.

Let us pray for the church throughout the world. (Moment for silent prayer.)

Almighty and eternal God, you have shown your glory to all nations in Jesus Christ. By your Holy Spirit, guide the church and gather it throughout the world. Help it to persevere in faith, proclaim your name, and bring the good news of salvation in Christ to all people. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

Let us pray for people of other faiths. (Moment for silent prayer.)

Almighty and eternal God, gather into your embrace all those who call out to you under different names.

Bring an end to interreligious strife, and make us more faithful in our witness to the love made known to us in your Son.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

Let us pray for God's creation. (Moment for silent prayer.)

Almighty and eternal God, you are the creator of a magnificent universe. Hold this world in the arms of your care, heal the damage we have done, and bring all things to fulfillment in you.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

Let us prayer for the leaders and people of all nations. (Moment for silent prayer.)

Almighty and eternal God, you are the champion of the poor and the oppressed. In your goodness, give wisdom to those in authority so that people everywhere may enjoy justice, peace, freedom, and a share in the goodness of your creation.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

Let us pray for all who suffer or are in need. (Moment for silent prayer.)

Almighty and eternal God, you give strength to the weary and new courage to those who have lost heart. Hear the prayers of all who call on you in any trouble that they may have the joy of receiving your help in their need. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

### **TENEBRAE SERVICE**

\*HYMN

No. 98, Blue Hymnal



Kyrie (#574)



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## THE SECOND WORD FROM THE CROSS

Luke 23:39-43

Kyrie (#572)



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**SOLO** "Were You There?" Theo Williams

## THE FOURTH WORD FROM THE CROSS

Matthew 27:45-54

Kyrie (#572)



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### THE SIXTH WORD FROM THE CROSS

John 19:30

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### RESTING IN THE DARKNESS OF THE TOMB

Please depart in silence. (Zoom live-streaming ends in the dark.)

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