

WEST BEND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR APRIL 15, 2022  
GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

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**Prelude**

**Welcome and Announcements**

Welcome to our Good Friday Tenebrae Service. The word Tenebrae comes from the Latin word for “darkness” and is a unique service to Christianity as we remember what Jesus Christ has done for us through his life and his death. By extinguishing lights throughout the service and reading the scriptures of Jesus’ seven last words from the cross, let us remember and reflect together that Christ has come, the light of the world, but the world has loved the darkness and still tries to extinguish his light.

**Opening Prayer**

(In Unison)

*Jesus,*

*Today we pause to remember your sacrificial love*

*That shone light into the darkness,*

*That brought life from such emptiness,*

*That revealed hope out of devastation,*

*That spoke truth through incrimination,*

*That released freedom in spite of imprisonment,*

*And brought us forgiveness instead of punishment.*

*Thank you that we can now walk in the light of your life, hope, truth, freedom and forgiveness, this day and every day. Amen.*

**Scripture Reading**

**Isaiah 53:1-6** <sup>1</sup>Who has believed our message and to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed? <sup>2</sup>He grew up before him like a tender shoot, and like a root out of dry ground. He had no beauty or majesty to attract us to him, nothing in his appearance that we should desire him. <sup>3</sup>He was despised and rejected by mankind, a man of suffering, and familiar with pain. Like one from whom people hide their faces he was despised, and we held him in low esteem. <sup>4</sup>Surely he took up our pain and bore our suffering, yet we considered him punished by God, stricken by him, and afflicted. <sup>5</sup>But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed. <sup>6</sup>We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to our own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.”

**John 19:1-3, 16-18**

*Then Pilate took Jesus and had him flogged. <sup>2</sup>The soldiers twisted together a crown of thorns and put it on his head. They clothed him in a purple robe <sup>3</sup>and went up to him again and again, saying, “Hail, king of the Jews!” And they slapped him in the face.*

*<sup>16</sup>Finally Pilate handed him over to them to be crucified. So the soldiers took charge of Jesus. <sup>17</sup>Carrying his own cross, he went out to the place of the Skull (which in Aramaic is called Golgotha). <sup>18</sup>There they crucified him, and with him two others—one on each side and Jesus in the middle.*

**\*Congregational Hymn**

#359

Alas and did My Savior Bleed vs. 1-3

**Scripture**

1 Peter 3:18-20, Colossians 2:15, Ephesians 4:8

**Message**

Rev. Kari L. Howard

Not So Silent Saturday

Series: Passion Week

**Musical Special**

Carol Petty & Kerri Beth Frazier  
Driving Nails

**The Seven Last Words of Jesus From the Cross**

**The First Word**

“Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing.”

Luke 23:34

**Hymn:** #297 Beneath the Cross of Jesus

**The Second Word**

“Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise.”

Luke 23:43

**Hymn:** #301 Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross, vs. 1 and 3

**The Third Word**

“Jesus said to his mother, ‘Woman, here is your son,’  
and to the disciple he said, ‘Here is your mother.’”

John 19:26-27

**Hymn:** #288 Were You There vs. 1 and 2

### The Fourth Word

*“My God, My God, why have you forsaken me?”*  
Matthew 27:46 and Mark 15:34

**Hymn:** #298 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

### The Fifth Word

*“I thirst.”*

John 19:28

**Hymn:** #362 Nothing But the Blood vs. 1 and 3

### The Sixth Word

*“It is finished.”*

John 19:30

**Hymn:** #504 The Old Rugged Cross vs. 1 and 3

### The Seventh Word

*“Jesus called out with a loud voice, ‘Father, into your hands I commit my spirit.’*

*When he said this, he breathed his last.”*

Luke 23:46

**Hymn:** #286 O Sacred Head Now Wounded

### Benediction and Closing Prayer

“Christ suffered for our sins once for all time. He never sinned, but he died for sinners to bring you safely home to God” (1 Peter 3:18, NLT).

### Depart in Silence

(You are welcome to spend time at the altar or remain in your seats to reflect and pray. You may take as long as you need to pray. **There will be a prayer vigil that begins immediately after the service for an hour. Feel free to remain in prayer and then depart in silence and contemplation of what the Lord has done for us.)**

*Please place your tithes and offerings in the tithes and offerings box on your way out. Thank you for your gifts.*

### Please join us Easter Sunday morning, April 17!

7:30 am Sunrise Service in the cemetery

8:00 am Breakfast in the fellowship hall

8:40 am Gathering in Sanctuary

9:00 am Cantata *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

10:00am Resurrection Day Worship

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