



Good Friday Tenebrae April 15, 2022 † 7:30 p.m.

† The sanctuary begins in light and descends into darkness. †

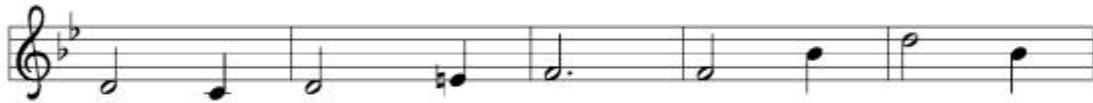
*The clergy enter in silence.*

HYMN #324 "In the Cross of Christ I Glory"

In the Cross of Christ I Glory



1	In	the	cross	of	Christ	I	glo - ry,	tow'r - ing
2	When	the	woes	of	life	o'er - take	me,	hopes de -
3	When	the	sun	of	bliss	is	beam - ing	light and
4	Bane	and	bles -	ing,	pain	and	plea - sure,	by the



o'er	the	wrecks	of	time.	All	the	light	of
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love	up -	on	my	way,	from	the	cross	the
cross	are	sanc -	ti -	fied;	peace	is	there	that



sa -	cred	sto -	ry	gath -	ers	round	its	head	sub -	lime.
cross	for -	sake	me;	lo,	it	glows	with	peace	and	joy.
ra -	diance	stream -	ing	adds	more	lus -	ter	to	the	day.
knows	no	mea -	sure,	joys	that	through	all	time	a -	bide.

Text: John Bowring, 1792-1872

Music: RATHBUN, Ithamar Conkey, 1815-1867

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## LORD'S PRAYER AND APOSTLES' CREED

*The assembly kneels as they are able and whispers softly.*

Pastor: Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal,

**All: have mercy on us.**

**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 trespasses, as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.\*  
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## NOCTURN 1

**HYMN #349 "Ah, Holy Jesus" verses 1-2**

**1 Ah, holy Jesus, how hast thou offended  
that we to judge thee have in hate pretended?  
By foes derided, by thine own rejected,  
O most afflicted.**

**2 Who was the guilty? Who brought this upon thee?  
Alas, my treason, Jesus, hath undone thee.  
'Twas I, Lord Jesus, I it was denied thee;  
I crucified thee.**

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## PSALM 2 (read antiphonally)

A: <sup>1</sup>Why are the nations in an uproar?  
Why do the peoples mutter empty threats?

**Males:** <sup>2</sup>Why do the kings of the earth rise up in revolt, and the princes plot together,  
against the LORD and against the LORD's anointed?  
<sup>3</sup>"Let us break their yoke," they say;  
"let us cast off their bonds from us."

**Females:** <sup>4</sup>God whose throne is in heaven is laughing;  
the LORD holds them in derision.  
<sup>5</sup>Then in wrath God speaks to them,  
and in rage fills them with terror.  
<sup>6</sup>"As for me, I have anointed my king  
upon Zion, my holy mountain."

A: <sup>7</sup>Let me announce the decree of the LORD,  
who said to me, "You are my son; this day have I begotten you."  
<sup>8</sup>Ask of me, and I will give you the nations for your inheritance  
and the ends of the earth for your possession.  
<sup>9</sup>You shall crush them with an iron rod  
and shatter them like a piece of pottery."

**Males:** <sup>10</sup>And now, you kings, be wise; be warned, you rulers of the earth.

**Females:** <sup>11</sup>Submit to the LORD with fear, and with trembling bow in worship;  
<sup>12</sup>lest the LORD be angry, and you perish in a sudden blaze of wrath.

**All: Happy are all who take refuge in God!**

✠ The first candle is extinguished. ✠

## PSALM 54 (read antiphonally)

A: <sup>1</sup>Save me, O God, by your name; in your might, defend my cause.

**Females:** <sup>2</sup>Hear my prayer, O God; give ear to the words of my mouth.

A: <sup>3</sup>For strangers have risen up against me, and the ruthless have sought my life,  
those who have no regard for God.

**Females:** <sup>4</sup>Behold, God is my helper; it is the Lord who sustains my life.  
<sup>5</sup>Render evil to those who spy on me; in your faithfulness, destroy them.

A: <sup>6</sup>I will offer you a freewill sacrifice and praise your name, O LORD, for it is good.

**Females:** <sup>7</sup>For you have rescued me from every trouble, and my eye looks down on my enemies.

✠ The second candle is extinguished. ✠

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## PSALM 15 (read antiphonally)

A: <sup>1</sup>LORD, who may dwell in your tabernacle? Who may abide upon your holy hill?

**Males:** <sup>2</sup>Those who lead a blameless life and do what is right,  
who speak the truth from their heart;  
<sup>3</sup>they do not slander with the tongue, they do no evil to their friends;  
they do not cast discredit upon a neighbor.

A: <sup>4</sup>In their sight the wicked are rejected, but they honor those who fear the LORD.  
They have sworn upon their health and do not take back their word.

**Males:** <sup>5</sup>They do not give their money in hope of gain, nor do they take bribes  
against the innocent.  
Those who do these things shall never be overthrown.

✠ The third candle is extinguished. ✠

## LORD'S PRAYER

*The assembly kneels as they are able and whispers softly.*

**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 trespasses, as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

## HYMN #349 "Ah, Holy Jesus" verses 4-5

**4 For me, kind Jesus, was thine incarnation,  
thy mortal sorrow, and thy life's oblation;  
thy death of anguish and thy bitter passion,  
for my salvation.**

**5 Therefore, kind Jesus, since I cannot pay thee,  
I do adore thee, and will ever pray thee;  
think on thy pity and thy love unswerving,  
not my deserving.**

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## READING: Zechariah 13:1-6; Matthew 23:37, 26:45

<sup>1</sup>On that day a fountain shall be opened for the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, to cleanse them from sin and impurity.

<sup>2</sup>On that day, says the LORD of hosts, I will cut off the names of the idols from the land, so that they shall be remembered no more; and also I will remove from the land the prophets and the unclean spirit. <sup>3</sup>And if any prophets appear again, their fathers and mothers who bore them will say to them, "You shall not live, for you speak lies in the name of the LORD"; and their fathers and their mothers who bore them shall pierce them through when they prophesy. <sup>4</sup>On that day the prophets will be ashamed, every one, of their visions when they prophesy; they will not put on a hairy mantle in order to deceive, <sup>5</sup>but each of them will say, "I am no prophet, I am a tiller of the soil; for the land has been my possession since my youth." <sup>6</sup>And if anyone asks them, "What are these wounds on your chest?" the answer will be "The wounds I received in the house of my friends."

P: Jerusalem, O Jerusalem, you who kill the prophets and stone those sent against you, how often I have longed to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, and you were not willing?

**All: Behold, the hour is at hand, the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners.**

## READING: Zechariah 10:3-4, 6, 8, 12:10, 12a; Isaiah 53:8

<sup>3</sup>My anger is hot against the shepherds,  
and I will punish the leaders;  
for the LORD of hosts cares for his flock, the house of Judah,  
and will make them like his proud war-horse.

<sup>4</sup>Out of them shall come the cornerstone,  
out of them the tent peg,  
out of them the battle bow,  
out of them every commander.

<sup>6</sup>I will strengthen the house of Judah,  
and I will save the house of Joseph.  
I will bring them back because I have compassion on them,  
and they shall be as though I had not rejected them;  
for I am the LORD their God and I will answer them.

<sup>8</sup>I will signal for them and gather them in,  
for I have redeemed them,  
and they shall be as numerous as they were before.

<sup>10</sup>And I will pour out a spirit of compassion and supplication on the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that, when they look on the one whom they have pierced, they shall mourn for him, as one mourns for an only child, and weep bitterly over him, as one weeps over a firstborn. <sup>12</sup>The land shall mourn, each family by itself; the family of the house of David by itself, and their wives by themselves.

P: By a perversion of justice he was taken away.

**All: Who could have imagined his future?**

**✠ The fourth candle is extinguished. ✠**

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## NOCTURN II

✠ The sanctuary darkens. ✠

### PSALM 27:1-7 (read antiphonally)

A: <sup>1</sup>The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

**Left Side:** The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

**Right Side:** <sup>2</sup>When evildoers assail me to devour my flesh —  
my adversaries and foes — they shall stumble and fall.

**Left Side:** <sup>3</sup>Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear;  
though war rise up against me, yet I will be confident.

**Right Side:** <sup>4</sup>One thing I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after:  
to live in the house of the LORD all the days of my life,  
to behold the beauty of the LORD, and to inquire in his temple.

**Left Side:** <sup>5</sup>For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble;  
he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will set me high on a rock.

**All:** <sup>6</sup>**Now my head is lifted up above my enemies all around me,  
and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy;  
I will sing and make melody to the LORD.**  
<sup>7</sup>**Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud, be gracious to me and answer me!**

✠ The fifth candle is extinguished. ✠

### PSALM 40:1-3, 14, 16-17 (read antiphonally)

A: <sup>1</sup>I waited patiently for the LORD; he inclined to me and heard my cry.

**Left Side:** <sup>2</sup>He drew me up from the desolate pit, out of the miry bog,  
and set my feet upon a rock, making my steps secure.

**Right Side:** <sup>3</sup>He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God.  
Many will see and fear, and put their trust in the LORD.

A: <sup>14</sup>Let all those be put to shame and confusion who seek to snatch away my life;  
let those be turned back and brought to dishonor who desire my hurt.

**Left Side:** <sup>16</sup>But may all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you;  
may those who love your salvation say continually, "Great is the LORD!"

**All:** <sup>17</sup>**As for me, I am poor and needy, but the LORD takes thought for me.  
You are my help and my deliverer; do not delay, O my God.**

✠ The sixth candle is extinguished. ✠

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## PSALM 88:1-3, 4B, 5B, 7-9 (read antiphonally)

A: <sup>1</sup>O LORD, God of my salvation, when, at night, I cry out in your presence,  
<sup>2</sup>let my prayer come before you; incline your ear to my cry.

All: <sup>3</sup>For my soul is full of troubles, and my life draws near to Sheol.  
<sup>4b</sup>I am like those who have no help,  
<sup>5b</sup>like those whom you remember no more,  
for they are cut off from your hand.

A: <sup>7</sup>Your wrath lies heavy upon me, and you overwhelm me with all your waves.

All: <sup>8</sup>You have caused my companions to shun me;  
you have made me a thing of horror to them.  
I am shut in so that I cannot escape;  
<sup>9</sup>my eye grows dim through sorrow.  
Every day I call on you, O LORD; I spread out my hands to you.

✠ The seventh candle is extinguished. ✠

## LORD'S PRAYER

*The assembly kneels as they are able and whispers slowly and softly.*

**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 trespasses, as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.**

## HYMN #351 "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded verses 3-4

**3 What language shall I borrow to thank thee, dearest friend,  
for this thy dying sorrow, thy pity without end?  
Oh, make me thine forever, and should I fainting be,  
Lord, let me never, never outlive my love to thee.**

**4 Lord, be my consolation; shield me when I must die;  
remind me of thy passion when my last hour draws nigh.  
These eyes, new faith receiving, from thee shall never move;  
for all who die believing die safely in thy love.**

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## READING Matthew 26:31-34; Isaiah 53:5

<sup>31</sup>Then Jesus said to them, "You will all become deserters because of me this night; for it is written, 'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be scattered.'

<sup>32</sup>But after I am raised up, I will go ahead of you to Galilee." <sup>33</sup>Peter said to him, "Though all become deserters because of you, I will never desert you." <sup>34</sup>Jesus said to him, "Truly I tell you, this very night, before the cock crows, you will deny me three times."

P: <sup>5</sup>But he was wounded for our transgressions,  
crushed for our iniquities;

**All: upon him was the punishment that made us whole,  
and by his bruises we are healed.**

## READING Luke 22:47-53; Isaiah 53:6

<sup>47</sup>While he was still speaking, suddenly a crowd came, and the one called Judas, one of the twelve, was leading them. He approached Jesus to kiss him; <sup>48</sup>but Jesus said to him, "Judas, is it with a kiss that you are betraying the Son of Man?" <sup>49</sup>When those who were around him saw what was coming, they asked, "Lord, should we strike with the sword?" <sup>50</sup>Then one of them struck the slave of the high priest and cut off his right ear. <sup>51</sup>But Jesus said, "No more of this!" And he touched his ear and healed him. <sup>52</sup>Then Jesus said to the chief priests, the officers of the temple police, and the elders who had come for him, "Have you come out with swords and clubs as if I were a bandit? <sup>53</sup>When I was with you day after day in the temple, you did not lay hands on me. But this is your hour, and the power of darkness!"

P: <sup>6</sup>All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way,

**All: and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.**

## READING: Mark 15:6-15; Isaiah 53:7

<sup>6</sup>Now at the festival he used to release a prisoner for them, anyone for whom they asked. <sup>7</sup>Now a man called Barabbas was in prison with the rebels who had committed murder during the insurrection. <sup>8</sup>So the crowd came and began to ask Pilate to do for them according to his custom. <sup>9</sup>Then he answered them, "Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?" <sup>10</sup>For he realized that it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed him over. <sup>11</sup>But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release Barabbas for them instead. <sup>12</sup>Pilate spoke to them again, "Then what do you wish me to do with the man you call the King of the Jews?" <sup>13</sup>They shouted back, "Crucify him!" <sup>14</sup>Pilate asked them, "Why, what evil has he done?" But they shouted all the more, "Crucify him!" <sup>15</sup>So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified.

A: <sup>7</sup>He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth;

**All: 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.**

✠ The eighth candle is extinguished. ✠

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## NOCTURN III

### HYMN #353 "Were You There" verse 1

**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?**

✠ The sanctuary darkens. ✠

### PSALM 143:1-4 (read antiphonally)

A: <sup>1</sup>Hear my prayer, O LORD; give ear to my supplications in your faithfulness;  
answer me in your righteousness.

**Left Side:** <sup>2</sup>Do not enter into judgment with your servant,  
for no one living is righteous before you.

P: <sup>3</sup>For the enemy has pursued me, crushing my life to the ground,  
making me sit in darkness like those long dead.

**Left Side:** <sup>4</sup>Therefore my spirit faints within me; my heart within me is appalled.  
<sup>5</sup>I remember the days of old, I think about all your deeds,  
I meditate on the works of your hands.  
<sup>6</sup>I stretch out my hands to you; my soul thirsts for you like a parched land.

✠ The ninth candle is extinguished. ✠

### READING: John 19:16b-20; 1 Peter 2:23a

<sup>16</sup>Then he handed him over to them to be crucified.  
So they took Jesus; <sup>17</sup>and carrying the cross by himself, he went out to what is called The Place of  
the Skull, which in Hebrew is called Golgotha. <sup>18</sup>There they crucified him, and with him two others,  
one on either side, with Jesus between them. <sup>19</sup>Pilate also had an inscription written and put on the  
cross. It read, "Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews." <sup>20</sup>Many 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.

P: <sup>23</sup> When he was abused, he did not return abuse;  
**All: when he suffered, he did not threaten.**

✠ The tenth candle is extinguished. ✠

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## HYMN #353 "Were You There" verse 2

**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?**

✠ The sanctuary darkens. ✠

### PSALM 22:1-2, 14-18 (read antiphonally)

A: <sup>1</sup>My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?  
Why are you so far from helping me, from the words of my groaning?

P: <sup>2</sup>O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer;  
and by night, but find no rest.

**All: <sup>14</sup>I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint;  
my heart is like wax; it is melted within my breast;**

A: <sup>15</sup>my mouth is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue sticks to my jaws;  
you lay me in the dust of death.

P: <sup>16</sup>For dogs are all around me; a company of evildoers encircles me.  
My hands and feet have shriveled; <sup>17</sup>I can count all my bones.

**All: They stare and gloat over me;  
<sup>18</sup>they divide my clothes among themselves,  
and for my clothing they cast lots.**

✠ The eleventh candle is extinguished. ✠

### READING: John 19:23-25a; 1 Peter 2:24a

<sup>23</sup>When the soldiers had crucified Jesus, they took his clothes and divided them into four parts, one for each soldier. They also took his tunic; now the tunic was seamless, woven in one piece from the top. <sup>24</sup>So they said to one another, "Let us not tear it, but cast lots for it to see who will get it." This was to fulfill what the scripture says,  
"They divided my clothes among themselves,  
and for my clothing they cast lots."

<sup>25</sup>And that is what the soldiers did.

P: <sup>24</sup> He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross,

**All: so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness.**

✠ The twelfth candle is extinguished. ✠

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## HYMN #353 "Were You There" verse 3

**3 Were you there when they pierced him in the side?  
Were you there when they pierced him in the side?  
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.  
Were you there when they pierced him in the side?**

### PSALM 69:1-4, 8-9, 17

A: <sup>1</sup>Save me, O God,  
for the waters have come up to my neck.

**Right Side:** <sup>2</sup>I sink in deep mire, where there is no foothold;  
I have come into deep waters, and the flood sweeps over me.

P: <sup>3</sup>I am weary with my crying; my throat is parched.  
My eyes grow dim with waiting for my God.

**Right Side:** <sup>4</sup>More in number than the hairs of my head  
are those who hate me without cause;  
many are those who would destroy me,  
my enemies who accuse me falsely.

A: What I did not steal must I now restore?  
<sup>8</sup>I have become a stranger to my kindred,  
an alien to my mother's children.

**Right Side:** <sup>9</sup>It is zeal for your house that has consumed me;  
the insults of those who insult you have fallen on me.  
<sup>17</sup>Do not hide your face from your servant,  
for I am in distress — make haste to answer me.

✠ **The thirteenth candle is extinguished.** ✠

### READING: John 19:25b-30; 1 Peter 2:25;

<sup>25b</sup>Meanwhile, standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. <sup>26</sup>When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, "Woman, here is your son." <sup>27</sup>Then he said to the disciple, "Here is your mother." And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home. <sup>28</sup>After this, when Jesus knew that all was now finished, he said (in order to fulfill the scripture), "I am thirsty." <sup>29</sup>A 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. <sup>30</sup>When Jesus had received the wine, he said, "It is finished." Then he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

P: <sup>25</sup>By his wounds you have been healed. For you were going astray like sheep,  
**All: but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.**

✠ **The fourteenth candle is extinguished.** ✠

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## HYMN #353 Were You There verse 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?**

## LORD'S PRAYER

*The assembly kneels as they are able and whispers slowly and softly.*

**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 trespasses, as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.**

## READING: John 19:38-42; Mark 10:33-34

<sup>38</sup>After 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. <sup>39</sup>Nicodemus, who had at first come to Jesus by night, also came, bringing a mixture of myrrh and aloes, weighing about a hundred pounds. <sup>40</sup>They took the body of Jesus and wrapped it with the spices in linen cloths, according to the burial custom of the Jews. <sup>41</sup>Now 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. <sup>42</sup>And so, because it was the Jewish day of Preparation, and the tomb was nearby, they laid Jesus there.

P: <sup>33</sup> See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be handed over to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death; then they will hand him over to the Gentiles; <sup>34</sup> they will mock him, and spit upon him, and flog him, and kill him;

**All: and after three days he will rise again.**

## HYMN #196 "O Christ, Lamb of God"

**O Christ, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world;  
have mercy upon us.  
O Christ, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world;  
have mercy upon us.  
O Christ, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world;  
grant us your peace. Amen.**

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✝ The sanctuary darkens. ✝

✝ The Christ candle is removed. ✝

## LORD'S PRAYER

*The assembly kneels as they are able and whispers slowly and softly.*

**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 trespasses, as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.**

✝ The Christ candle returns. ✝

## ALL RISE AND DEPART IN SILENCE

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Life and death stand side by side on Good Friday. We gather in solemn devotion, but always with the promise that the tree around which we assemble is indeed a tree of life. We depart silently, and we anticipate the culmination of the Three Days in the Easter Vigil.

The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. (*John 1:5*)

Worshippers may remain seated throughout the service. Please put kneelers down before the service and keep them down throughout to prevent extra noise.