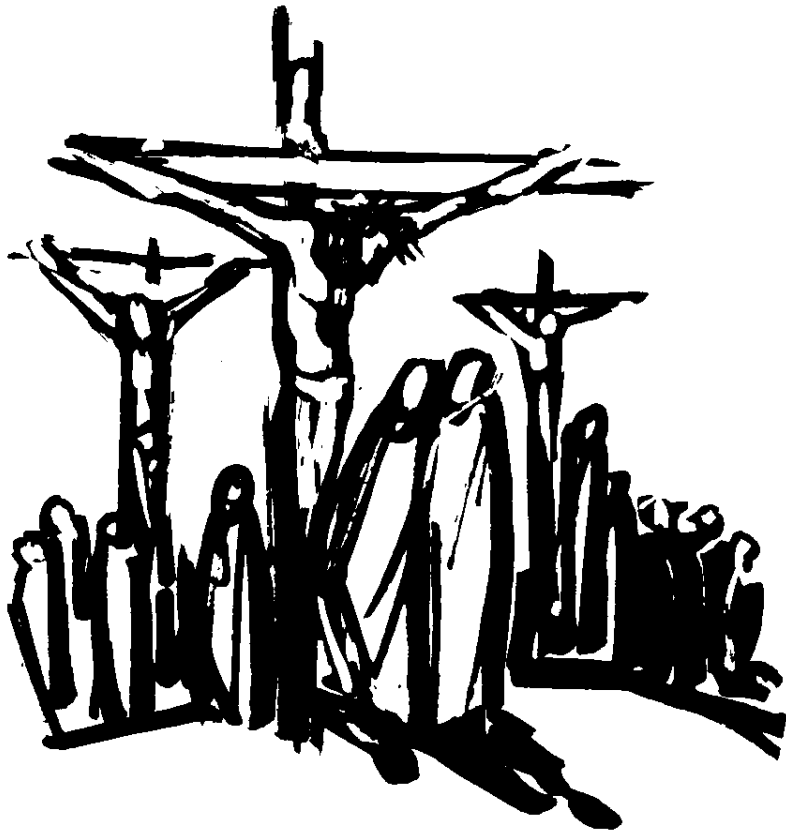


A Tenebrae (Latin for “darkness”) Service is Holy Week gathering in which candles are gradually extinguished. Our Tenebrae Service also uses the seven last words of Christ and chants from the Taizé Community to lead us through our Savior’s final moments on this earth.

Each Taizé chant will be sung for 2-3 minutes and are intended to be “sung prayers.” At the center of the liturgy there will be a period of silence that will last 5 minutes.

After the Christ candle is removed from the table, please feel free to remain in silence.



Good Friday Ténèbre Service

Community Presbyterian Church

2 April 2021

8:00pm MST

+ Forgiveness: Luke 23:34

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

Extinguishing of the First Candle

Bóg jest miłością (God is Forgiveness)

God is forgiveness. Dare to forgive and God will be with you. God is forgiveness. Love and do not fear.

+ Salvation: Luke 23:43

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

Extinguishing of the Second Candle

Jesus Remember Me

Jesus remember me,
when you come into your kingdom.
Jesus remember me,
when you come into your kingdom.

+ Solidarity: John 19:26-27

“Woman, behold your son. Behold your mother.”

Extinguishing of the Third Candle

Bless the Lord

Bless the Lord my soul,
and bless God’s holy name.
Bless the Lord my soul,
who leads me into life.

+ Abandonment: Matthew 27:46

“My God, My God, why have you forsaken me?”

Extinguishing of the Fourth Candle

La ténèbre (The Darkness)

Our darkness is never darkness in Your sight.
The deepest night is clear as the daylight.

Silence

+ Longing: John 19:28

“I am thirsty.”

Extinguishing of the Fifth Candle

Wait for the Lord

Wait for the Lord, whose day is near.
Wait for the Lord, keep watch, take heart.

+ Reunion: Luke 23:46

“Father, into your hands I commit my Spirit.”

Extinguishing of the Sixth Candle

In Manus Tuas (Into Your Hands)

Into your hands, Father, I commend my Spirit.
Into your hands, Father, I commend my Spirit.

+ Completion: John 19:30

“It is... finished.”

Removal of the Christ Candle