



Tabernacle Presbyterian Church
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

Friday, April 7, 2023 | 12:30p
Good Friday Service

AN EXPLANATION OF THE GOOD FRIDAY TENEBRAE SERVICE

This is a service of “tenebrae,” which means “darkness,” which includes Scripture, music, prayers and a meditation followed by seven selected readings from the Gospels marking Jesus’ betrayal, arrest and crucifixion. At the conclusion of each reading a candle will be extinguished and the lights dimmed until the Sanctuary is immersed in darkness. Worshipers are asked to leave the Sanctuary in silence, remembering the sacrifice of our Lord.

PRELUDE | Matt Kauffman, *Organist*

“O Sacred Head” —*Dietrich Buxtehude*

“Adagio for Strings” —*Samuel Barber*

✝ CALL TO WORSHIP | Rev. L. John Gable
from Isaiah 53

Leader: Who has believed what we have heard?

People: Surely He has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we account Him stricken, struck down by God and afflicted.

Leader: But He was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon Him was the punishment that made us whole.

People: And by His bruises we are healed.

Unison: In this great promise of our faith, we come to worship God.

✝ HYMN | # 221

“O Sacred Head, Now Wounded” —*Passion Chorale*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION | Rev. Terri Thorn

Gracious God, on this holy day we wait on You to offer the hope that comes from the cross to earth’s darkest places. Where pain is deep and affection is denied, let Your love break through. Where justice is perverted, let righteousness prevail. Where peace has no chance, let lovingkindness live on. Where truth is trampled underfoot, let Your Spirit rise up. Where fear paralyzes, let forgiveness bring new life. Eternal God, reach into the silent darkness of our souls with the radiance of the cross and the gracious mercy of Your love. These and all things we pray together and in the silence of our hearts, in Jesus’ name.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: "This saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance: that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross, that we might be dead to sin and alive to all that is good and right and just."

I declare to you in the name of Jesus Christ:
You are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God.

✝ HYMN | #215 (*First stanza only*)

"Wondrous Love" — *Wondrous Love*

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER | Rev. Terri Thorn

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Philippians 2:5-11 (*pew Bible page 954*)

Philippians 1:27 (*pew Bible page 953*)

MESSAGE | Rev. L. John Gable

Worthy

"I urge you to live a life worthy of the Gospel."

MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER AND REFLECTION

✝ HYMN | #228

"Were You There?" — *Were You There*

THE SERVICE OF TENEBRAE

Readers: Rev. L. John Gable, Rev. Terri Thorn,
Amy McLean, Jennifer Wirt

The Shadow of Betrayal | *Matthew 26:20-25*

The Shadow of Inner Agony | *Luke 22:39-44*

The Shadow of Loneliness | *Matthew 26:40-45*

The Shadow of Desertion | *Matthew 26:47-50, 55-56*

The Shadow of Accusation | *Matthew 26:59-67*

The Shadow of Mockery | *Mark 15:12-20*

The Shadow of Death | *Luke 23:32-46*

THE EXTINGUISHING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE | *Please exit in silence, remembering the death of our Lord; meditating on His undying love for us.*

Thanks for coming!
We hope you'll come back
for more Holy Week events:

PM GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

Friday, April 7 | 7p

Sanctuary

EASTER EGG HUNT

Bring your whole family and invite friends!

Saturday, April 8 | 10a

Tab's East Lawn

EASTER SUNDAY / RESURRECTION DAY

SUNRISE EASTER SERVICE

7:30a, McKee Chapel

Continental Easter Breakfast

8:30a-10a, Dining Room

Easter Celebration Service

10a, Sanctuary

CAN I GET A WITNESS?

SUNDAY, APRIL 16

Someone once made the very keen insight that *"If the announcement of the Easter day is true (which it is!) then the Sunday after Easter should be the largest attended service of the year!"* Plan to join us on **Sunday, April 16, at 8a or 10a** in person or for our live-stream of **"Can I Get A Witness?"** when we will hear testimony from several of our fellow Tab members as to what it means to them to say that **"Jesus is alive!"**

Congratulations to



Rev. Terri A. Thorn

who was elected as Tab's Associate Pastor!
Rev. Terri's installation will occur during the
10a Worship Service on April 16
with a celebration reception
(hosted by the DAPNC)
immediately following in the Dining Room.



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