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Tabernacle Presbyterian Church  
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

April 7, 2023 | 7p Good Friday Service

# Good Friday 7p

## AN EXPLANATION OF THE GOOD FRIDAY TENEBRAE SERVICE

*This is a service of “tenebrae,” which means “darkness.” The service 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

“O Sacred Head” —*Dietrich Buxtehude*

“The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to John” —*Luis de Victoria*  
*Adapted by Charles S. Thatcher*

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

O sacred head, now wounded, with grief and shame weighed down;  
Now scornfully surrounded with thorns, Thine only crown;  
O sacred head, what glory, what bliss till now was Thine!  
Yet, though despised and gory, I joy to call Thee mine.

What Thou, my Lord, hast suffered was all for sinners’ gain:  
Mine, mine was the transgression, but Thine the deadly pain.  
Lo, here I fall, my Savior! ’Tis I deserve Thy place;  
Look on me with Thy favor, and grant to me Thy grace.

What language shall I borrow to thank Thee, dearest friend,  
For this Thy dying sorrow, Thy pity without end?  
O make me Thine forever; and should I fainting be,  
Lord, let me never, never outlive my love to Thee.

### 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

## Tonight’s Worship Participants

Rev. L. John Gable  
*Senior Pastor*

Rev. Terri Thorn  
*Associate Pastor*

Valentina Huang  
Matt Kauffman  
*Organists*

Sanctuary Choir

Dorothy Benz-Buchanan  
*Soloist*

✝ Please stand if able.

## 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.

## MINISTRY OF MUSIC |

"They Crucified My Lord" —arr. John Carter

*He was oppressed, and He was afflicted, yet He opened not His mouth;  
Like a lamb led to the slaughter and as a sheep before it's shearers is dumb.  
So He opened not His mouth.*

*They crucified my Lord, and He never said a mumbalin' word;  
They crucified my Lord, and He never said a mumbalin' word;  
Not a word, not a word, not a word.*

*They nailed Him to the tree, and He never said a mumbalin' word;  
They nailed Him to the tree, and He never said a mumbalin' word;  
Not a word, not a word, not a word.*

*They pierced His hands and side, and He never said a mumbalin' word;  
They pierced His hands and side, and He never said a mumbalin' word;  
Not a word, not a word, not a word.*

*He bowed His head and died, and He never said a a mumbalin' word;  
He bowed His head and He died, and He never said a mumbalin' word;  
Not a word, not a word, not a word, not a word.*

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

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.

## ✝ HYMN | "Wondrous Love" —Wondrous Love

*What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul?  
What wondrous love is this, O my soul?  
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss  
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul?*

## SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Philippians 2:5-11 (pew Bible page 954)  
Philippians 1:27 (pew Bible page 953)

## RESPONSE | "O, Divine Redeemer" —Charles Gounod

*Ah! Turn me not away, receive me tho' unworthy;  
Hear Thou my cry, behold, Lord, my distress!  
Answer me from Thy throne, haste Thee, Lord, to mine aid,  
Thy pity shew in my deep anguish!*

*Let not the sword of vengeance smite me,  
though righteous Thine anger,  
O Lord! Shield me in danger, O regard me!  
On Thee, Lord, alone will I call.*

*O Divine Redeemer!  
I pray Thee, grant me pardon, and remember not,  
remember not my sins!  
Forgive me, O Divine Redeemer!*

✝ Please stand if able.

## MESSAGE NOTES

### MISSED A SERMON?

Did you miss a sermon?  
Or do you want to hear it again? Or read it? All of the sermons our pastors have delivered are available on the Tab website under sermons. Check it out!

Night gathers round my soul; fearful, I cry to Thee;  
Come to mine aid, O Lord!  
Haste Thee, Lord, haste to help me!  
Hear my cry! Save me Lord in Thy mercy;  
Come and save me, O Lord, save,  
in the day of retribution,  
From death shield Thou me, O my God!  
O Divine Redeemer, have mercy! Help me, my Saviour!

MESSAGE | Rev. L. John Gable

### Worthy

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

✝ HYMN | "Were You There?" — *Were You There*

Were you there when they crucified my Lord?  
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?  
O! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.  
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree?  
Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree?  
O! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.  
Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree?

Were you there when they pierced Him in the side?  
Were you there when they pierced Him in the side?  
O! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.  
Were you there when they pierced Him in the side?

Were you there when the sun refused to shine?  
Were you there when the sun refused to shine?  
O! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.  
Were you there when the sun refused to shine?

Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb?  
Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb?  
O! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.  
Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb?

### THE SERVICE OF TENEBRAE

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

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

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

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

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

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

The Shadow of Death | Keva Rop  
*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.*

✝ Please stand if able.

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

### 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



*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.

You won't want to miss this historic and important chapter  
in the life of Tabernacle Presbyterian Church!

### 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!"**