

GOOD FRIDAY

April 2, 2010

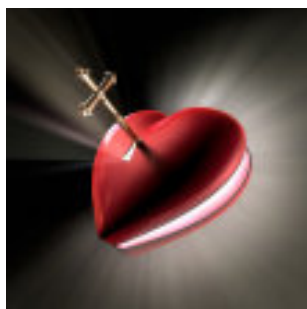
Westwood Community Church

TENEBRAE

WORSHIP

Christ's Light

Christ's Love



Our worship this morning is taken from an early Christian service called Tenebrae. The name Tenebrae is the Latin word for "darkness" or "shadows." This morning we will experience only a small portion of Christ's pain and suffering on the day of His crucifixion. One of the most conspicuous features of our worship is the gradual extinguishing of candles until only a single candle, considered a symbol of our Lord, remains. As it gets darker we can reflect on the great emotional and physical pain that was very real for Jesus that first Good Friday.

Responsive Reading

Leader

God is light, and there is no darkness in him at all.

Congregation

God's light came into the world, but people loved the darkness more than the light...

Leader

...his life brought light to everyone.
The light shines in the darkness,
and the darkness can never extinguish it.

Congregation

Jesus spoke to the people ... and said, "I am the light of the world. If you follow me, you won't have to walk in darkness, because you will have the light that leads to life."

Leader—Prayer:

Most gracious God, look with mercy upon your family gathered here for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was betrayed, given into sinful hands, and suffered death upon the cross. Strengthen our faith and forgive our betrayals as we enter the way of His passion; through Him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen

SHADOW OF BETRAYAL

Matthew 26:14-25

1st Candle

Song *You Are My King (Amazing Love)*

Lord's Supper

Matthew 26:26-29

Video "Carry My Cross" *Third Day*

SHADOW OF DESERTION

Matthew 26:30-46

2nd Candle

Song *All for Love*

SHADOW OF ACCUSATION

Matthew 26:47-56

3rd Candle

Song

*Jesus Loves Me/
Oh How He Loves You & Me*

SHADOW OF DENIAL

Matthew 26:57-75

4th Candle

Song

Lamb of God

SHADOW OF REMORSE

Matthew 27:1-10

5th Candle

Song

What Wondrous Love is This

SHADOW OF CRUCIFIXION

Matthew 27:11-23

6th Candle

Song

How Deep the Father's Love

SHADOW OF AGONY

Matthew 27:24-31

7th Candle

Solo

Crown of Thorns

SHADOW OF REJECTION

Matthew 27:32-44

8th Candle

Song

Above All

SHADOW OF DEATH

Matthew 27:45-54

Christ Candle Extinguished

Silence

Christ Candle Re-lit

CHRIST'S SACRIFICE OF LOVE

Isaiah 53:4-9

Time of Quiet Reflection

Please Exit in Silence

Easter Sunday

April 4

Breakfast 9:30 am

Each family - please bring Easter bread,
muffins or buns ready to serve.
Include enough to share with a few guests.
Thank you for contributing.

Celebration Worship 11:00 am

Gather in worship as a family
to celebrate Christ's victory over the grave.

Flowers for decorating the tomb & garden will be available for everyone to pick up as you enter the sanctuary.

Activity bags for your children
will also be available from the ushers.
