

Shadows: A Service of Tenebrae

Maundy Thursday

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church

March 20, 2008

* Indicates to please stand if able

Prayer of Invocation

Responsive Reading (Isaiah 53:3-6)

One He was despised and rejected of all,
a man of sorrows, acquainted with grief and we hid our faces
from him. He was despised, and we knew him not.

**All Surely he has borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows.
Yet we knew him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted.**

One But he was wounded for our transgressions. He was bruised
for our iniquities. The chastisement of our peace was upon
him, and with his stripes we are healed.

**All All we like sheep have gone astray. We have turned each
of us to our own ways, and God has laid on him the
iniquity of us all.**

*Hymn (Herzliebster Jesu)

Ah, holy Jesus, how have you offended,
that we to judge, you have in hate pretended?
By foes derided, by your own rejected,
O most afflicted!

Who was the guilty? Who brought this upon you?
Alas, my treason, Jesus, has undone you!
'Twas I, Lord Jesus, I it was denied you;
I crucified you.

Silence

The Watch

Scripture Reading: Matthew 26: 36-45 (Rev. John Borthwick)

Choral Meditation: "Could you not watch" arr. Hal Hopson

Soloist: Muriel Clemmer

(The first candle is extinguished)

for in your sight shall no man living be justified.

One Deliver me, O Lord, from my enemies, for I fly unto you for
safety.

**All Teach me to do your will, for you are my God.
Your spirit is good. Lead me into the land of
righteousness.**

Silence

THE CRUCIFIXION

Scripture Reading: Luke 23:26-34 (Dorothea Faulkner)

Choral Meditation: "A Woven Crown" Anna Laura Page
(The sixth candle is extinguished)

Responsive Reading: (Psalm 38:1,4,6, 8,10,21)

One O Lord, rebuke me not in your wrath,
Neither chasten me in your displeasure.

**All For my iniquities have gone over my head, and as a
heavy burden, I can bear them no more.**

One I am troubled. I am bowed down greatly. I go mourning all
the day long.

**All I am feeble and sore broken. I have cried out by reason
of the disquietness of my heart.**

One My heart pants. My strength fails me. The light of my eyes
is gone from me.

All Forsake me not, O Lord. O my God, be not far from me.

Silence

THE COMMENDATION

Scripture Reading: Luke 23:39-47 (The Rev. John Borthwick)

Choral Meditation: "Hymn of Mercy" Dan Forrest
(The seventh candle is extinguished)

Responsive Reading: Psalm 51: 1-3, 5-6, 10-11

One Have mercy upon me, O God, according to your loving kindness. According to the multitude of your tender mercies, blot out my transgressions.

All Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. I acknowledge my transgressions, and my sins are ever before me.

One Behold, I was raised in iniquity, and in sin did my mother conceive me. Behold, you desire truth in the inward parts, and in the hidden parts you shall make me to know wisdom.

All Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not from your presence, and take not your holy spirit from me.

Silence

THE BETRAYAL

Scripture Reading: Matthew 26:47-56 (Karen Dimock)

Choral Meditation: “Out of the Depths” K. Lee Scott
(The second candle is extinguished)

Responsive Reading: (Psalm 6:1-2,5)

One O Lord, rebuke me not in your anger, nor chasten me in your displeasure.

All Have mercy upon me, O Lord, for I am weak. O Lord, heal me in my distress.

One For in death there is no remembrance of you. In the grave who shall give you thanks?

All The Lord has heard my supplication. The Lord will receive my prayer.

Silence

THE DENIAL

Scripture Reading: Matthew 26:57-75 (Wendy Toth)

Choral Meditation: “Were we there?” Craig Courtney
Soloist: Muriel Clemmer
(The third candle is extinguished)

Responsive Reading: (Psalm 102:1-2,11-12)

One Hear my prayer, O Lord, and let my cry come unto you.

All Hide not your face from me in the days when I am in trouble. Incline you ear unto me when I call.

One My days are like a shadow that wanes, and I am withered like the grass.

All But you, O Lord, shall endure forever, and your remembrance unto all generations.

Silence

THE GUILT

Scripture Reading: Matthew 27:1-5 (Jay Maret)

Choral meditation: “Come to the Cross” Joseph Martin
(The fourth candle is extinguished)

Responsive Reading: (Psalm 32:1-2,7,10)

One Blessed are they whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are concealed.

All Blessed are they unto whom the Lord punishes not wickedness, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

One The Lord is our hiding place. He shall protect us from trouble, and shall surround us with songs of deliverance.

All Many sorrows shall be to the wicked, but those who trust in the Lord shall receive mercy.

Silence

THE JUDGMENT

Scripture Reading: Luke 23: 12 – 25 (Mary Rife)

Choral Meditation: The Carpenter’s Son Craig Courtney
(The fifth candle is extinguished)

Responsive Reading: (Psalm 143:1-2,9-10)

One Hear my prayer, O Lord. Give ear to my supplications. In your faithfulness and in your righteousness, answer me.

All Enter not into judgment with your servant,

Responsive Reading: (Psalm 130)

One Out of the depths have I cried unto you, O Lord. Lord, hear my voice, and let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications.

All **If you, Lord, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who shall stand? But there is forgiveness with you, that you might be feared.**

One I will wait for the Lord. My soul waits, and in his word do I hope.

All **My soul waits for the Lord more than they who watch for the morning.**

Let us hope in the Lord. For with the Lord there is mercy and with him is plenteous redemption, and he shall redeem us from all our iniquities.

***Hymn: “Ah, Holy Jesus”**

For me, kind Jesus, was your incarnation,
your mortal sorrow, and your life’s oblation;
your death of anguish and your bitter passion,
for my salvation.

Therefore, kind Jesus, since I cannot pay you,
I do adore you, and will ever pray you,
think on your pity and your love unswerving,
not my deserving.

Scripture Verse: John 16:16

A little while and you shall not see me, and again, a little while, and you shall see me.

(The Christ candle is hidden from view)

The Lord’s Prayer

(The Christ candle is returned to altar)

“Elegy” (Flute: Karen Penwarden) Michael Conway Baker

Silent Meditation

The congregation is invited to depart in silence.