



Silver Spring Presbyterian Church

Good Friday

April 3, 2026, 7:30 pm

Please silence your cell phone.

INVITATION TO CHRIST'S PASSION

Opening Words

Rev. Lisa Chase

Hymn #220

["Go to Dark Gethsemane" vv. 1-2](#)

PROCLAIMING CHRIST'S PASSION

Scripture

John 12:20-36

Rev. Dr. Don Wahlig

Meditation

"Light in the Darkness"

Rev. Dr. Wahlig

ANTHEM

"Come Find His Rest"

Dan Forrest

Sanctuary Choir with String Quartet
Mandy Bevenour, Soloist

THE FIRST LIGHT:

The Darkness of Gethsemane

Duet:

"The Old Rugged Cross"

Bob Buyers and John Compton, vocalists
Erica Ickes, piano

THE SECOND LIGHT:

The Darkness of Betrayal

Matthew 26:20-25

Austin Shoop

Hymn #206

["This Is the Night" vv. 1-2](#)

THE THIRD LIGHT:

The Darkness of Desertion

Rev. Chase

L: Jesus said, "You will all become deserters because of me this night."

P: Though all become deserters because of you, I will never desert you.

L: "I tell you, this very night, before the rooster crows, you will deny me three times."

P: Even if I have to die with you, I would never desert you.

Hymn "In the Garden" see insert

THE FOURTH LIGHT: The Darkness of Grief

Luke 22:39-46 Rev. Dr. Wahlig

ANTHEM "Forsaken" Dan Forrest
Sanctuary Choir with String Quartet

THE FIFTH LIGHT: The Darkness of Accusation

Mark 14:43-65 Austin Shoop

DUET "Via Dolorosa"
Janet Schrader and Jose Venereo, vocalists
Sydney Bevenour, guitar
Erin Stefanic, violin
Erica Ickes, piano

THE SIXTH LIGHT: The Darkness of Crucifixion

Matthew 27:27-38 Rev. Chase

Hammering of the nails

ANTHEM "She Stood in Silent Love" Patti Drennan
Sanctuary Choir with String Quartet

THE SEVENTH LIGHT: The Darkness of Death

Luke 23:44-49 Rev. Dr. Wahlig

Hymn #228, vv. 1-4 ["Were You There?"](#)
V. 1 When they crucified my Lord V. 3 When they pierced him in the side
V. 2 When they nailed him to the tree V. 4 When the sun refused to shine

THE EIGHTH LIGHT: The Darkness of the Tomb

John 19:38-42 Austin Shoop

Hymn #228, v. 5 ["Were You There?"](#)

RESPONDING TO CHRIST'S PASSION

Ringling of the Bell (33 times)

Nathan Wieseman

ANTHEM:

“And Can It Be?”

Dan Forrest

Sanctuary Choir with String Quartet

Silent Reflection

John 3:16

Rev. Chase

Closing Prayer

Rev. Dr. Wahlig

O crucified Jesus, Son of the Father,
Conceived by the Spirit and born of Mary,
Holy temple of God and gate of Heaven,
We worship you, the Eternal Word.

O crucified Savior, sanctuary of justice,
Burning flame of love and Ruler of our hearts,
Lamb of God and bearer of our sins,
We praise you, Redeemer of the World.

Lord, look with mercy upon us; Lamb of God, have mercy upon us. Amen.

EXITING IN DARKNESS

Recession of the Christ Candle

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Thank you to those who joined the choir for Good Friday!

String Quartet

Violins: Erin Stefanic and Caleb Stelle

Cello: Hope Bowling

Viola: Erin Weaver

Piano: Erica Ickes

We thank Bill and Cheryl Moore for ushering tonight,
and thank you to Roy McLain for dimming the lights.

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Dr. Donald B. Wahlig	Senior Pastor/Head of Staff
Rev. Lisa S. Chase	Associate Pastor
Tracy Wieseman	Director of Music
Austin Shoop	Youth Director
Ryan Edwards	Worship Tech Specialist
Erica Ickes	Organist
Emily Cocores	Preschool Director
Diane G. Rabold	Business Manager
Priscilla Biller	Office Manager
John Clegg	Sexton

We are a Stephen Ministry congregation.

Our Mission is to love and praise God, love and nurture our church family, and love and serve our neighbors,

through worship, prayer, fellowship, education, hands-on work, financial support and compassionate care,

in order to follow Jesus and make known the Kingdom of Heaven.

Our Vision is to be a grace-filled family of faith sharing Christ's love with all.

Our Values:

Glorify God: Glorify and praise God through discipling, sharing faith and serving with love

Show Compassion: Compassion expressed as care and concern for all

Share Hospitality: Inclusive hospitality through welcome, acceptance and fellowship

Nurture Relationships: Nurture relationships through respect, support and communication

Steward God's gifts: Faithful stewardship of all God's gifts



Soli Deo Gloria

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Go to Dark Gethsemane

1 Go to dark Geth - sem - a - ne, all who feel the
 2 Fol - low to the judg - ment hall; view the Lord of
 3 Cal - vary's mourn - ful moun - tain climb; there, a - dor - ing
 4 Ear - ly has - ten to the tomb where they laid his

tempt - er's power; your Re - deem - er's con - flict see;
 life ar - rained; O the worm - wood and the gall!
 at his feet, mark that mir - a - cle of time,
 breath - less clay: all is sol - i - tude and gloom.

watch with him one bit - ter hour; turn not from his
 O the pangs his soul sus - tained! Shun not suf - fering,
 God's own sac - ri - fice com - plete; "It is fin - ished!"
 Who has tak - en him a - way? Christ is risen! He

griefs a - way; learn from Je - sus Christ to pray.
 shame, or loss; learn from him to bear the cross.
 hear him cry; learn from Je - sus Christ to die.
 meets our eyes. Sav - ior, teach us so to rise.

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This Is the Night

Capo 1: (Em) Fm (D) E^b (Em) Fm (D) E^b

1 This is the night, dear friends, the night for weep - ing,
 2 This night the trai - tor, wolf with - in the sheep - fold,
 3 This night Christ in - sti - tutes his ho - ly sup - per,
 4 This night the Lord by slaves shall be ar - rest - ed,
 5 O make us shar - ers, Sav - ior, of your Pas - sion,

(Em) Fm (C) D^b (G) A^b (Am) B^bm (C) D^b (Bsus) (B7) Csus C7

when powers of dark - ness o - ver - come the day,
 be - trays him - self in - to his vic - tim's will,
 blest food and drink for heart and soul and mind;
 he who de - stroys our slav - er - y to sin;
 that we may share your glo - ry that shall be;

(G) A^b (Dsus) E^bsus (D) E^b (Am) B^bm (Em) Fm (Bm7) Cm7

the night the faith - ful mourn the weight of e - vil
 the Lamb of God for sac - ri - fice pre - par - ing;
 this night in - jus - tice joins its hand to trea - son's,
 ac - cused of crime, to crim - i - nals be giv - en,
 let us pass through these three dark nights of sor - row

(C) D^b (Am7) B^bm7 (Em) Fm (Am7) B^bm7 (Em) Fm (Bm7) Cm7 (Em) Fm

where - by our sins the Son of Man be - tray.
 sin brings a - bout the cure for sin's own ill.
 and buys the ran - som - price of hu - man - kind.
 that judg - ment on the righ - teous Judge be - gin.
 to Eas - ter's laugh - ter and its lib - er - ty.

Were You There

1 Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? (Were you
 2 Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? (Were you
 3 Were you there when they pierced him in the side? (Were you
 4 Were you there when the sun re - fused to shine? (Were you
 5 Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? (Were you

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 there?) Were you there when the sun re - fused to shine?
 there?) Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

O! Some-times it caus - es me to

trem - ble, trem - ble, trem - ble. Were you

there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? (Were you there?)
 there when they nailed him to the tree? (Were you there?)
 there when they pierced him in the side? (Were you there?)
 there when the sun re - fused to shine? (Were you there?)
 there when they laid him in the tomb? (Were you there?)