

First Presbyterian Church of Bethlehem



April 10, 2020



WE GATHER

RINGING OF THE CHIMES

CALL TO WORSHIP

THE SERVICE OF SHADOWS

THE SHADOW OF AGONY OF THE SPIRIT

Matthew 26:36-56

Extinguish First Candle

HYMN

Go to Dark Gethsemane

Verses 1-2

#97

REDHEAD

1 Go to dark Gethsemane,
All that feel the tempter's power;
Your Redeemer's conflict see,
Watch with Him one bitter hour;
Turn not from His griefs away,
Learn from Jesus Christ to pray.

2 Follow to the judgment hall;
View the Lord of Life arraigned;
O the wormwood and the gall!
O the pangs His soul sustained!
Shun not suffering, shame, or loss;
Learn from Christ to bear the cross.

SILENT REFLECTION

THE SHADOW OF ACCUSATION

Matthew 26:57-68

Extinguish Second Candle

SPECIAL MUSIC O Lord Remember

Jane Marshall

Rebecca Ripley, Soprano

O Lord, remember not only the men and woman of good will, but also those of ill will. But do not remember all of the suffering they have inflicted upon us:

Instead remember the fruits we have borne because of this suffering—our comradeship, our loyalty to one another, our humility, our courage, our generosity, the greatness of heart that has grown from this trouble.

When our persecutors come to be judged by you, let all of these fruits that we have borne be their forgiveness.

SILENT REFLECTION

THE SHADOW OF DENIAL

Matthew 26:69-75

Extinguish Third Candle

HYMN

#100

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross Verses 1-2

ROCKINGHAM

1 When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.

2 Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
Save in the death of Christ my God;
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to His blood.

SILENT REFLECTION

THE SHADOW OF CONDEMNATION

Matthew 27:1-2, 11-26

Extinguish Fourth Candle

SPECIAL MUSIC Passion Chorale

setting Max Reger

SILENT REFLECTION

THE SHADOW OF CRUCIFIXION

Matthew 27:27-44

Extinguish Fifth Candle

HYMN

#98

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

PASSION CHORALE

1 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.

2 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,
Vouchsafe to me Thy grace.

SILENT REFLECTION

THE SHADOW OF DEATH

Matthew 27:45-56

Extinguish Sixth Candle

SPECIAL MUSIC "*Preghiera*" (Prayer)

Oreste Ravanello

SILENT REFLECTION

THE SHADOW OF BURIAL

Matthew 27:57-66

SOLEMN REPROACHES FROM THE CROSS

Extinguish Christ Candle

SENDING HYMN

#102

Were You There?

WERE YOU THERE

1 Were you there when they crucified my Lord? (Were you there?)
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they crucified my Lord? (Were you there?)

2 Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree? (Were you there?)
Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree?
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree? (Were you there?)

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

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

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE (Silence)