



Service of Darkness

- West Hills Church -

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Maundy Thursday, April 14, 2022 7:00 PM

Preparation for Worship

O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

arr. Rodriguez

There Is a Fountain

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

arr. Rodriguez

What Wondrous Love Is This

O Sacred Head Now Wounded

arr. Sorenson

Welcome

Andy Hamer

Prelude

My Jesus, I Love Thee

arr. Sorenson

Call to Worship

Kevin Gibson

Song

Lead Me to the Cross

The Darkness of Betrayal

Scripture

Matthew 26:20-25

Bill Spiecker

Musical Meditation

Thirty Pieces of Silver

Kevin Gibson

Candles Are Extinguished

The Darkness of Desertion

Scripture

Matthew 26:31-35; 69-75

Chris Neil

Hymn

My Jesus, I Love Thee

Candles Are Extinguished

The Darkness of Agony

Scripture

Matthew 26:36-45

Karen Jarvis

Hymn

Jesus Paid It All

Candles Are Extinguished

Sharing of the Lord's Supper

Song Medley

O the Blood of Jesus

The Darkness of the Crowd

Scripture

Matthew 27:11-26

Julie Burgess

Song

How Deep the Father's Love for Us

Candles Are Extinguished

The Darkness of Humiliation

Scripture

Matthew 27:27-44

Kathy Padilla

Hymn

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Candles Are Extinguished

The Darkness of the Cross

Scripture

Matthew 27:45-54

William Scheopner

Candles Are Extinguished

Musical Meditation

He Never Said a Mumbalin' Word

Kevin Gibson

Scripture

Matthew 27:55-61

Trink Traudt

The Removal of the Christ Candle

Hymn

Were You There

Please depart in silence.

About the Service of Darkness

The origins of this service date back at least to the Medieval Ages. The original format of this type of service was spread out over a period of three days. Tonight, as we progress through the service, candles will be extinguished, which symbolize the desertion of the disciples and friends of Christ. Near the end of the service, the Christ Candle will be removed from the sanctuary. The removal of the Christ Candle represents the death of Christ.

The word “Maundy” comes from the Latin for command (mandatum). The scripture reference related to this term is John 13:34, “A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another.”

Special thanks to those that are assisting with worship this evening.

Candle Extinguisher: Janet Laughlin

Greeters: Jeff and Esther Smith

Musicians: Kevin Gibson, Kathy Leach, Patty Richie

Readers: Julie Burgess, Karen Jarvis, Chris Neil, Kathy Padilla, William Scheopner, Bill Spiecker, Trink Traudt

Worship Tech: Dallas Grafton, Jonathan Scheopner, Greg Schuchmann

Worship Environment: Peggy Kelley

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Holy Week Schedule

Journey to the Cross Interactive Experience:

Maundy Thursday: 12:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Good Friday: 4:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Easter Sunday: 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Easter Sunday Worship:

10:00 am

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