

Orangewood Presbyterian Church

April 15, 2022

Tenebrae Service



A river of God's love flowing into the dry places of our communities

- **Jesus Christ is already at work in our communities; we seek to join that work.**
- **Our communities are wherever God plants us: Monday through Saturday—as well as Sunday.**
- **We create servant relationships with our communities, to become better disciples of Jesus Christ.**

On the banks, on both sides of the river, there will grow all kinds of trees for food. Their leaves will not wither nor their fruit fail, but they will bear fresh fruit every month, because the water for them flows from the sanctuary. Their fruit will be for food, and their leaves for healing.

Ezekiel 47:12

Welcome to Orangewood! We are delighted that you chose to worship with us today. At the conclusion of the service, please join us for fellowship on the patio, where you can also learn more about church activities. So that we may note your presence with us, we invite you to fill out a visitor card, located on the back of the pew.

An enlarged copy of the hymns and a system for the hearing impaired are available. Please ask an usher for assistance.

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In Preparation for Worship

Congregation responsively reads lines in bold text
*All who are able, please stand

As the voluntary begins, you are invited to prepare yourself silently for worship,
by meditating upon the following poem:

*What language shall I borrow
To thank Thee dearest friend,
For this Thy dying sorrow,
Thy pity without end?
O make me Thine forever;
And should I fainting be,
Lord let me never, never
Outlive my love to Thee*

Service of Tenebrae

Introit	<i>Lamb of God</i>	Orange Pealers
Call To Worship		
Leader: Watch and pray, that you may not enter into temptation!		
People: The spirit is willing but the flesh is weak.		
Leader: Behold, the hour is at hand,		
People: And the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners.		
*Hymn #826	<i>Lift High the Cross</i>	
Assurance of Pardon		
Lesson #1	Matthew 26:30-46 Christ's Agony in the Garden	Bernale Wright
Choral Anthem	<i>Lord, I Call to You!</i>	Mozart/Hopson
Lesson #2	Matthew 26:47-56 Christ's Arrest	Dennis Proffitt
*Hymn #220	<i>Go to Dark Gethsemane</i>	
Lesson #3	Matthew 26:57-75 Christ's Trial Before Caiaphas the High Priest	Judy Proffitt
Anthem	<i>Arise My Soul, Arise!</i> Cindy Baker, Violin	Dan Forrest
Lesson #4	John 18:28-40 Christ's Trial Before Pilate	Greg Harris
*Hymn #218	<i>Ah! Holy Jesus</i>	
Lesson #5	John 19:1-16a Christ's Scourging and Condemnation	Luci Sherwood

Choral Anthem

Thy Will Be Done

Craig Courtney

Lesson #6

John 19:16b-30

Becky Cederquist

Christ's Crucifixion on Calvary

*Hymn #213

In the Cross of Christ I Glory

Lesson #7

John 19:31-42

Ken Page

Christ's Burial

Tolling of the Bell

Return of the Christ Candle

THE SERVICE OF TENEBRAE focuses on Christ's trial, crucifixion, and burial. As the Scripture is read, the lights in the Sanctuary are gradually dimmed, symbolizing the manner in which all of those surrounding Christ deserted him, until the only remaining light is the Christ candle. Following the last reading, the Christ candle itself is extinguished and the room is left in total darkness. This utter darkness is a metaphor for what the world would be like without God. The bell is tolled thirty-three times (one for each year of Christ's life), and then the lit Christ candle is brought back into the Sanctuary as a symbol of our hope in the resurrection. Following the return of the Christ candle, you are invited to remain in meditation for as long as you wish. When you depart, please be mindful of those who remain to pray.

Easter

Easter Sunrise Service—6:30 am on the patio

Traditional Service—10:30 am in the Sanctuary

African Fellowship—11:30 am in Page Hall

The **“One Great Hour of Sharing”** offering will be received at the Easter Services. This offering joins that of other Presbyterians across the country in funding vital mission projects around the world.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Ken Page Pastoral Liturgist
Chuck Sedgwick Organist

READERS

Bernale Wright
Dennis Proffitt
Judy Proffitt
Greg Harris
Luci Sherwood
Becky Cederquist

ORANGEWOOD STAFF

Pastor	The Rev. Kenneth G. Page
Director of Music	Dr. Charles N. Sedgwick
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