

MAUNDY THURSDAY – April 1, 2021 at 7 PM

Tenebrae: A Service of Handwashing, Holy Communion, & Shadows

VIDEO PRELUDE

*The Last Supper*¹

CALL TO WORSHIP

HYMN

*What Wondrous Love Is This*²

What wondrous Love is this, oh my soul, oh my soul?
What wondrous Love is this, oh my soul?
What wondrous Love is this, that caused the Lord of bliss,
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul?
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul?

To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing,
To God and to the Lamb I will sing,
To God and to the Lamb who is the great I Am,
while millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing;
While millions join the theme, I will sing.

LITANY OF CONFESSION

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

HYMN RESPONSE

Amazing Grace

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost but now am found; was Lost, but now I see.

INTRODUCTION TO ACT OF HANDWASHING

ACT OF HANDWASHING

PRAYER

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION & THE LORD'S PRAYER

SHARING THE ELEMENTS

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

HYMN RESPONSE

*I Love to Tell the Story*³

I love to tell the story of unseen things above.
Of Jesus and his glory; of Jesus and his love.
I love to tell the story, because I know tis true.
It satisfies my longing, as nothing else can do.
I love to tell the story. Will be my theme in glory.
To tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

¹ *The Last Supper* video is an emotional presentation of Jesus' Last supper with his friends. This a creative work and thus, the imagery and dialogue are not to be understood as biblical absolutes, nor are the order of the events necessarily displayed in a chronological order, but are meant to serve as flash-backs or flash-forwards. The songs playing beneath the video are: "Lift Your Eyes" by *Twelve Titans Music* and is from the *Black Becomes the Sun* album and "Subversion of the Sovereign" by *Secession Studios*.

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³ Public Domain. Author of song: Kate Hankey (1866) Author of Refrain: William G. Fischer (1869)

A SERVICE of SHADOWS⁴

The Shadow of Betrayal

SCRIPTURE - Matthew 26:20-25

SUNG RESPONSE

*More Love to Thee, O Christ*⁵

More love to thee, O Christ. More love to thee!
Hear Thou the prayer I make, on bended knee.
This is my earnest plea: More love, O Christ to Thee!
More love to Thee. More love to Thee.

THE LIGHT DIMINISHES

The Shadow of the Agony of Spirit and Arrest

SCRIPTURE - Matthew 26:36-50

SUNG RESPONSE

*Go to Dark Gethsemane*⁶ (Verse 1, only)

Go to dark Gethsemane, go and 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.

THE LIGHT DIMINISHES

The Shadow of Denial

SCRIPTURE - Matthew 26:69-75

SUNG RESPONSE

*Ah, Holy Jesus*⁷ (Verses 1 and 2)

Ah, holy Jesus, how has thou offended,
That we to judge thee, have in hate pretended?
By foes derided, by thine own rejected,
O most afflicted!

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

THE LIGHT DIMINISHES

⁴ Calvin Institute of Christian Worship: Service of Tenebrae. 01 April 2011

< <https://worship.calvin.edu/resources/resource-library/tenebrae-a-service-of-shadows/> >

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The Shadow of Accusation

SCRIPTURE - Matthew 27:11-14, 20-29

SPECIAL MUSIC

*O Sacred Head, Now Wounded*⁸

Gloria Moyer, Dulcimer

THE LIGHT DIMINISHES

The Shadow of Crucifixion and Humiliation

SCRIPTURE - Matthew 27:31-43

SUNG REPOSE

*Alas, and Did My Savior Bleed*⁹

Alas! And did my Savior bleed, and did my Sovereign die!
Would he devote that sacred head, for sinners such as I?

Was it for crimes that I have done, he groaned upon the tree?
Amazing pity! Grace unknown and love beyond degree?

THE LIGHT DIMINISHES

The Shadow of Death

SCRIPTURE - Matthew 27:45-54

(STREPITUS)

SUNG RESPONSE

On a Hill Far Away (verses 1-3)

On a hill far away, stood an old-rugged cross - the emblem of suffering and shame.
And I love that old Cross where the dearest and best, for a world of lost sinners was slain.

(Refrain)

*So, I'll cherish the old-rugged cross, till my trophies at last I lay down.
I will cling to the old-rugged cross and exchange it some day for a crown.*

Oh, that old-rugged cross, so despised by the world, has a wondrous attraction for me.
For the dear Lamb of God left his glory above, to bear it on dark Calvary.

(Sing Refrain)

In that old-rugged cross, which bore Love so divine - a wondrous beauty I see.
For 'twas on that old cross, Jesus suffered and died, to pardon and sanctify me.

(Sing Refrain)

EXTINGUISH LIGHT

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The Shadow of Burial

SCRIPTURE - Matthew 27:57-60

SUNG RESPONSE

Were You There?

Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

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 when they laid Him in the tomb?

SILENT MEDITATION

The CHRIST CANDLE IS RETURNED

BENEDICTION

THE SERVICE ENDS IN SILENCE