

MARY TAYLOR MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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GOOD FRIDAY

March 30, 2018
7:30 p.m.

Order of Worship

(* Those who are able may stand. °°° Late arrivals will be seated.)

THE BELL TOLLS – *Welcoming us to worship God*

PRELUDE “Herzliebster Jesu” J. Brahms

A WORD OF WELCOME

(Offerings may be left in the plates by the doors in the Narthex and by Dodd Hall.)

INTROIT “Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley”

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Christ himself bore our sins in body on the tree.

People: That we might die to sin and live to righteousness.

Leader: Let us pray: Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ was lifted high upon the cross so that he might draw the whole world to himself. Grant that we, who glory in this death for our salvation, may also glory in his call to take up our cross and follow him; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*HYMN #159 “Lift High the Cross” Crucifer

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COLLECT FOR GOOD FRIDAY *(seated, unison)* Hymnal #284

THE PSALTER Psalm 22 Hymnal p.752
(Response 1)

THE SUFFERING SERVANT Isaiah 52:13 – 53:12 Bible p.669

HYMN #292 *(seated)* “What Wondrous Love Is This” Wondrous Love

THE MESSAGE “What Wondrous Love Is This” Dr. Bodt

THE SERVICE OF TENEBRAE (“*shadows*”)

Portions of the Passion from the Gospel of John alternate with hymns.

John 18:1-9 Hymn #297: “Beneath the Cross of Jesus”

John 18:10-21 Hymn #290, vss. 1-3: “Go to Dark Gethsemane”

John 18:22-32 Anthem: “Lamb of God” arr. by L. Mayfield
(The Adult Choir)

John 18:33-40 Hymn #289: “Ah, Holy Jesus”

John 19:1-10 Hymn #504: “The Old Rugged Cross”

John 19:11-21 Hymn #286: “O Sacred Head, Now Wounded”

John 19:22-30 Hymn #287: “O Love Divine, What Hast Thou Done”

John 19:31-42

DUET “What Wondrous Love Is This” Wondrous Love
Mary Lou Kampert, harp Barbara Repetsky, soprano

THE LORD’S PRAYER Hymnal #895

We depart in silence after the prayer Jesus taught his disciples. The final hymn and benediction are omitted to signify that we are waiting for the coming resurrection and to show the essential unity among the services of the Great Three Days.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Greeter: Barbara Berglund **Acolyte:** Amanda Repetsky

Lectors: *(in order of speaking)* Pastor Brian Bodt, Pastor Dani Levine, Jane Vink, Beth O’Brien, Carol Galloway, Don Hastings, Shelly Lapadula and Nancy Bennett

Ushers: David Doyle, Dennis Darak and Stacey Riccardi

Musicians: Dr. Riccardi, Mary Lou Kampert, Barbara Repetsky

WELCOME TO GOOD FRIDAY WORSHIP

Tenebrae (“Darkness”) is based on a 12th century late night/early morning service meditating on the Passion of Christ. Interspersing hymns with the passion reading is an adaptation of the pastor. Good Friday is the second day of the *Triduum Sacrum* (“the three sacred days”) of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday by which we recall our Lord’s suffering and death.

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Mary Taylor Memorial United Methodist Church is part of the world-wide family of Methodist churches. We are a Reconciling Congregation, welcoming all people regardless of sexual orientation.

THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD, EASTER DAY, April 1

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*7 a.m. Easter sunrise service at Gulf Beach
hosted by the "GUTS" youth group*

7:30 – 9:45 a.m. *Breakfast by the Men's Club in Dodd Hall. All welcome.*

8:30 and 10 a.m. *Identical Resurrection services of Holy Communion
with music by Bell and Adult Choirs and,
at 10 a.m., the Praisemakers children's choir.*

*The message: "Fools For Christ" will be based on Acts 10:34-43; Psalm
118:1-2, 14-24; 1 Corinthians 4:8-13 and John 20:1-18.*

**Please bring a flower on Easter to place in the wire-mesh cross
in front of the church. Watch as the resurrection blooms!
No Sunday School or "GUTS" youth group on Easter Day.**

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