Tenebrae (Latin for “shadows” or “darkness”) is a solemn observance of Jesus’ passion and death. Tenebrae services generally occur between Wednesday and Friday of Holy Week. The service marks Jesus’ journey to Golgotha and allows for extended meditation through proclamation of the word in scripture and sermon, as well as through music, increasing darkness, and silent reflection. At Duke Chapel we gather on the evening of Good Friday to enter into the dramatic narrative of Jesus’ betrayal, arrest, and crucifixion, and to reflect on God’s sacrificial love.
The congregation is asked to remain silent during the prelude as a time of prayer and meditation.

Prelude

O Welt, ich muss dich lassen (two settings) Johannes Brahms
(O World, I Must Leave Thee) (1833–1897)

Herzliebster Jesu
(Ah, Holy Jesus)

Greeting

*Opening Hymn 292 (found in the hymnals located in the pew racks)

What Wondrous Love Is This

Prayer for Illumination

Almighty Father, as we hear your word tonight, look with mercy on this your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was content to be betrayed and given up into the hands of sinners and to suffer death upon the cross; who is alive and glorified with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.


Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon—Father, Forgive Us

Anthem

A Hymn to God the Father John Ness Beck
(1930–1987)

Wilt Thou forgive that sin where I begun,
Which is my sin, though it were done before?
Wilt Thou forgive that sin through which I run
And do run still, though still I do deplore?
When Thou hast done,
Thou hast not done,
For I have more.

Wilt Thou forgive that sin which I have won
Others to sin, and made my sin their door?
Wilt Thou forgive that sin which I did shun
A year or two, but wallowed in a score?
When Thou hast done,
Thou hast not done,
For I have more.

I have a sin of fear that when I’ve spun
My last thread, I shall perish on the shore;
Swear by Thyself, that at my death Thy Son
Shall shine as he shines now and heretofore;
And, having done that,  
Thou hast done,  
I fear no more.  

—John Donne (1572–1631)

The Passion of our Lord

Lesson I—Matthew 26:36–46  
Jesus’ disciples fall asleep in the Garden of Gethsemane.

First Candle Extinguished

Response—Hymn 290, stanza 1 (congregation and choir)  
Go to Dark Gethsemane

Lesson II—Matthew 26:47–56  
Judas betrays Jesus with a kiss.

Second Candle Extinguished

Response—Hymn 291, stanza 1 (choir only)  
He Never Said a Mumbalin’ Word

Lesson III—Matthew 26:57–68  
Jesus before the Sanhedrin

Third Candle Extinguished

Response—Hymn 299, stanza 3 (congregation and choir)  
When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Lesson IV—Matthew 26:69–75  
Peter’s denial

Fourth Candle Extinguished

Response—Hymn 289, stanzas 1 and 2 (congregation and choir)  
Ah, Holy Jesus

Lesson V—Matthew 27:15–26  
Jesus before Pilate

Fifth Candle Extinguished

Response—Hymn 288, stanzas 1 and 2 (congregation and choir)  
Were You There

Lesson VI—Matthew 27:27–44  
The soldiers mock Jesus.

Sixth Candle Extinguished
RESPONSE—Hymn 286, all stanzas (choir only)
O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

PASSION CHORALE

LESSON VII—Matthew 27:45–50
The death of Jesus

CHRIST CANDLE EXTINGUISHED
(Silence will be observed while the bell tolls 33 times to signify each year of Jesus’ life.)

LESSON VIII—Matthew 27:51–54
Surely he was the Son of God.

SILENCE
The end of the service is signified by the illumination of the draped cross.
Please remain seated in silence until the side aisles are lighted to facilitate leaving. Silence is observed throughout the sanctuary from this time forward. Each person is encouraged to pray and meditate as long as he or she desires, then to depart in silence. If you would like to receive anointing with oil and prayers for healing, ministers will be in the Memorial Chapel after the worship service.

*All who are able may stand.

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Saturday, April 15: Holy Saturday
  3:00 p.m. Bach Cantata Series ~ St. John Passion
  8:00 p.m. Catholic Easter Vigil Mass

Sunday, April 16: Easter Sunday
  6:30 a.m. Easter Sunrise Service at Duke Gardens South Lawn ~
          Preacher: Bishop William Willimon (Duke Divinity School)
  9:00 a.m. Service of Worship with Holy Communion ~
          Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Luke A. Powery
  11:00 a.m. Service of Worship ~
          Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Luke A. Powery
  4:00 p.m. Choral Evensong
  5:00 p.m. The Complete Bach Organ Works ~ Miracles

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