



GOOD FRIDAY WORSHIP APRIL 18, 2025 6:30 PM

Gathering Music Welcome

Call to Worship

One: This day seems to be all about death, Jesus;

All: what else is it when you are arrested,

accused. beaten, betrayed, crucified?

One: But, when we look a little closer, we discover it's really all about life;

All: integrity unbowed by expediency, love unchanged by hatred,

One: humility undeterred by power, truth untainted by lies: All: and real, vibrant, fearless life breaking through it all.

One: You died, Jesus, because you refused to settle for anything less, than genuine, eternal life,

All: for you, and for us all.

One: Teach us to live by the same creed, to refuse to cling to a life that is less than real, less than honest, humble and loving;

All: and to be so resolute in our quest for life, that we will always be ready to die in order to find it and share it. Amen.

Silence

*Hymn #288

"Were You There?" Vs 1 & 4

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 the sun refused to shine? Were you there when the sun refused to shine? Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble. Were you there when the sun refused to shine?

Unison Prayer

God of the long night, thank you for being a God not just of solidarity but of deep and raw emotion. A God who did not endure violence in silence but who spoke and cried as your body was broken on the cross. Help us to understand that our memory of you becomes more whole when we remember you alongside the injustices with which you suffered in solidarity: the hunger, the abuse, the loneliness of the world. Today let us grieve the path of the cross – illness, violence, alienation, the degradation of land, and all pain unspoken. Let us weep and rest. Reveal yourself to us, remind us of a God who knows the weight of oppression, and help us believe that truly you are with us. That your cause is our cause – no less than justice and liberation in life and death. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Silence

Reflection

Silence

Tenebrae Service

A Service of Tenebrae, or "Shadows," is based on a twelfth—century late night/early morning service and is an extended meditation on the passion of Christ. Throughout the reading, the candles will be extinguished and the lights in the room will be darkened. You are invited to join in the singing of the songs "Stay with Me" and "Jesus, Remember Me" that are incorporated into the passion narrative.

Hymn #2198 "Stay with Me"

Stay with me, remain here with me, Watch and pray, watch and pray.

Hymn #488 "Jesus, Remember Me"

Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom. Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

Silence

*Hymn #288 "Were You There?" Vs 1 & 5

Were you there when they crucified my Lord? Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

*Please stand as you are able

This service is being livestreamed.

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Human by Cole Arthur Riley

Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble. Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

Dismissal and Going Forth

Please depart the sanctuary in silence. You are invited to pick up a copy of the poem "this moment matters," a reflection to be read on Holy Saturday. Go in peace.



Thank you for worshipping with PBUMC! You make this gathering richer, brighter, and better by your participation. *All* are welcome at PBUMC!

Please join us for Easter Sunday services:

Easter Sunday

6:00 am Easter Sunrise service, Crown Point/Mission Bay 10:00 am Easter service at Pacific Beach UMC Following the service, PB UMC's Annual Easter Egg Hunt

8:30 am and 10:00 am Easter Services at La Jolla UMC

Participating in this evening's service Rev. Lori Leopold, Rev. Bob Rhodes Music: Ron Jessee, Lesley Brogan

Scripture Readers: Susie Virgilio, Tim Adams, Mary Margaret Rowe, Adam Marshall Technical support: BL Wild, Brian Kaplan, Craig Roberts

For pastoral support or spiritual conversation, please contact Pastor Lori at the church office or via the <u>website</u>. Want to know what's happening at PB UMC? Sign up for our weekly emails! We have several different categories you can sign up for: there's the weekly news with a rundown of that week's sermon and events happening soon, a weekly email with prayer requests, a monthly email with a link to our Beach



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