

Prelude

\*Call to Evening Worship

Jesus said: I am the light of the world.

**Anyone who follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have eternal light.**

If I say, "Let the darkness cover me and the light around me turn to night," darkness is not dark to you, O God.

**The night is as bright as the day; darkness and light to you are both alike.**

**Let us worship in light and dark this night.**

\*Hymn

*What Wondrous Love is This*

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!

What wondrous love is this, O 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.

When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down,  
when I was sinking down, O my soul!

When I was sinking down beneath God's righteous frown,  
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul, for my soul,  
Christ laid aside His crown 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.

Evening Collect

God be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray: **Gracious God, you give us the sun to illumine the day and the moon and stars to shine by night. Kindle in us the flame of your love that our lives may shed abroad the radiance of your light and the world may be full of the splendor of your glory, through Jesus Christ, who shines in us. Amen.**

Phos Hilaron (Joyous Light) ~ Lighting of the Candles

*The "Phos Hilaron," meaning "gracious light," is an ancient liturgy known as the "Candlelight Hymn" dating back to at least the 3<sup>rd</sup> century. It was used at vesper services and is traditionally chanted, as Pastor Karen will this evening.*

O holy radiance joyous light, O splendid glory shining bright.  
Immortal Father, heavenly One, O blessed Jesus Christ the Son.  
We see the sunshine fade to night, and welcome in the evening light.  
To Father, Son and Spirit raise our hymns of wonder, love and praise.  
Unceasingly our tongues shall laud, your worth Begotten one of God.  
O Breath of life, let all proclaim, the glory of your wondrous name.

Confession of Sin

**Most merciful God,**

**We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart;**

**We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

**We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.**

**For the sake of your son Jesus Christ have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Hear us in the silent time of confession.... (silence)...**

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father (Creator), 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory; forever. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

## The Sacrament of Communion

*All are welcome to join in communion. We will celebrate communion by intinction: taking a piece of bread and dipping it in the cup. Our cup contains grape juice.*

Invitation to the Table

Words of Consecration

Words of Institution

Prayer of Thanksgiving

**Jesus, our Teacher,**

**We have traveled this long, dusty Lenten journey with you.**

**You have shown us Your love by becoming a humble servant, by washing feet, and by setting this table.**

**May we humble ourselves, serve your people, and invite all to our table.**

**You feed us and call us your friends, sending us out to love as you love.**

**May we share our bread and share our hope.**

**May this meal of grace lead us into lives of greater compassion and sacrifice.**

**Jesus, our crucified and risen Savior,**

**May we continue walking this Lenten journey with you even into these last hard days. Amen.**

## Tenebrae Service - Extinguishing the Light

At the Table

John 13: 1-17 ~ Thaddeus

John 14: 1-7 ~ Thomas

John 14: 8-14 ~ Philip

Response: **Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom.**

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## Saying Farewell

Matthew 26: 20-25 ~ Judas

John 15: 12-20 ~ James

Matthew 26: 30-35 ~ Matthew

Response: **Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom. Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom.**

## In the Garden

Luke 22: 39-44 ~ Simon

Mark 14: 32-42 ~ John

Matthew 26: 47-56 ~ James

Matthew 26: 57-66 ~ Andrew

Response: **Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom. Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom.**

## Hope is Lost

Matthew 26: 69-75 ~ Simon Peter

Mark 15: 16-20 ~ Bartholomew

Solo

*Were You There*

Keith Ciccone

A Spark in the Darkness: John 1

Please depart in silence to preserve this time of meditation.