

SUNSET DRIVE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
A Service of Tenebrae

seven o'clock in the evening

A service of Tenebrae, or "darkness," is based on a twelfth-century late night service and is an extended meditation on the passion of Christ. During the readings and singing, eight candles are extinguished. The ninth candle, known as the Christ candle, will be ceremonially removed from the hall during the "burial verse of the hymn, "Were you There?"

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited,

People: but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness.

Leader: And being born in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death - even death on a cross.

People: Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that every knee should bend, in heaven and on the earth and under the earth,

All: and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

*HYMN #159 "Lift High the Cross" (stanzas 1-2)

A GOOD FRIDAY PRAYER (in unison)

Almighty God, graciously behold this your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death upon the cross; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, for ever and ever. Amen.

A Time of Reading, Singing and Reflection on the Passion of Jesus Christ

THE FIRST READING The Betrayal of Jesus John 18:1-11
Pew Bible, pg 594

HYMN #289 "Ah, Holy Jesus" (stanzas 1-3)

THE SECOND READING Jesus Before the High Priest John 18:12-14, 19-24
Pew Bible, pg 150-151

HYMN #292 "What Wondrous Love Is This" (stanzas 1-3)

THE THIRD READING Peter Denies Christ John 18:15-18, 25-27
Pew Bible, pg 150-151

THE FOURTH READING Jesus Before Pilate John 18:28-38a
Pew Bible, pg 151

HYMN #289 "Ah, Holy Jesus" (stanzas 4, 5)

THE FIFTH READING Jesus Sentenced to Death John 18:38b-19-16
Pew Bible, pg 151-152

HYMN #167 "Canticle of Christ's Obedience"

THE SIXTH READING The Crucifixion of Jesus John 19:17-27
Pew Bible, pg 152-153

HYMN #292 "What Wondrous Love Is This" (stanza 4)

THE SEVENTH READING The Agony of Jesus John 19:28-37
Pew Bible, pg 153

HYMN #294 "Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed" (stanzas 1-2, 5)

THE EIGHTH READING The Burial of Jesus John 19:38-42
Pew Bible, pg 153

HYMN #288 "Where You There" (stanza 1-4)

THE NINTH READING The Suffering Servant Isaiah 52:13-53:12
Pew Bible, pg 800-801

MEDITATIVE THOUGHT

HYMN #288 "Where You There" (stanza 5)

*DISMISSAL

GOING FORTH IN SILENCE

SUNSET DRIVE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Over 128 years of serving God and the Community

Staff

Pastor: Tom Murphy
Secretary: Lisa Thacker
Custodian: Angie Coffman
Music Coordinator: Brenda Hoover
Youth Coordinator: Lacey Roberts
Organist: Susan Holsinger
Scripture Readers:
Pastor Glen Langston
Lacey Roberts
Youth Members



Sunday, April 16th Easter Services

Easter Sunrise Service at 6:30 am,
Easter Sunrise Service and breakfast will happen again this year at Grandles' cabin. We will meet at the church at 6:00 a.m. and caravan up for a 6:30 service. The road will probably be rough. Usually only 4 wheel drives go. The Grandles' will provide the eggs, sausage, orange juice, coffee, plates and utensils. People attending should bring a breakfast food to share such as a casserole, muffins, fruit, juice, milk, etc....

Easter Worship Service at 10am, at Sunset Drive UMC



"Seeking to live our faith, growing in our discipleship, and reaching out to others."