



*107th Good Friday
Community Service
March 30, 2018*

Ecumenical Observance of Good Friday

St. Luke's United Methodist Church

March 30, 2018 — 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Welcome

We at St. Luke's United Methodist Church welcome you to this Good Friday service. May this service be a blessing to you in your Lenten journey, and may this time of worshipping together strengthen the spirit of ecumenism in our community.

During the organ interludes people are asked to move forward, so there is room for those who will arrive later. These interludes also provide an opportunity for people to leave if they are unable to stay for the entire service. **Please be sure that all cell phones and pagers are turned off during your stay.**

Even as we remember today the supreme sacrifice of love that Christ made, so we give gifts to continue the spirit of compassion. Your offering will be given to PIN (People in Need), a ministry of caring and compassion here in Dubuque. Offering plates are found at the exit.

We wish to thank all the preachers, liturgists, and musicians for the gracious spirit with which they share their God-given abilities. These people represent a variety of churches and denominations, and their participation fosters our understanding of Christian unity. Thank you!

St. Luke's United Methodist Church Staff and Volunteers

Pastor	Rev. Chuck Layton
Reader	Sue Hattel
Altar Stewards	Margie Breese, Morgan Frazer
Organist	Dr. Chuck Barland
Chimer	Heather Williams
Hosts	Invitation & Welcome Team
Ushers/Greeters	Marilyn Conklin, Lynn Kerker, Gary Reid
Audio/Visual Technicians	Paul Clark & Chris Kohlmann

“The Seven Last Words of Christ”

A TIME OF GATHERING (11:45 a.m.)

Please sit toward the front to allow room in the back for others arriving later.
An asterisk (*) in the bulletin denotes the invitation to stand, if you are able.

Bold text denotes text to be read by the people in unison.

UMH denotes the red hymnal, TFWS denotes the black songbook

Prelude Lenten Meditation Dr. Chuck Barland, organ

THE PROCESSION OF THE CROSS

(12:00 p.m.)

Sue Hattel, Reader; Rev. Chuck Layton, Cross Bearer;

Margie Breese, Morgan Frazer, Altar Stewards

The Reproaches, with Silence and Response

Following the reading of each “reproach” there will be a moment for silent reflection. Then, when the organ sounds the tone, the following hymn will be played one time through. Then we will sing the hymn:

Hymn “Jesus Remember Me” UMH 488

Response UMBoW

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

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

Leader: Let us pray:

All: 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 his death for our salvation, may also glory in his call to take up our cross and follow him; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Solo “Meditation” Henryk Wieniawski
Ann Duchow, violin; Dr. Chuck Barland, piano

THE SECOND WORD

(12:35 p.m.)

“Today you will be with me in Paradise.” — Luke 23: 43

Lesson Luke 23: 39-43 Rev. David Kruse
Walker United Methodist Church

Solo Variations on “O Sacred Head, Now Wounded” by Hans S. Hassler
Chris Kohlmann, flute; Keith Rippe, piano arr. Karen Kuehmann

Prayer (in unison) LBG

God of peace and glory, who sent Jesus to teach and inspire the multitudes and call us all to discipleship, help us to celebrate the triumph of humility and the satisfaction of servanthood. We rejoice that Christ shared our humanity and lifted the self-esteem of the lowly. May all the world receive Christ’s spirit and give thanks for your steadfast love. Amen.

Reflection Rev. Annette Kruse
Walker United Methodist Church

* Hymn “Are Ye Able” UMH 530

Music Interlude

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Stripping of the Sanctuary Peace Candle

THE FOURTH WORD

(1:25 p.m.)

“My God, why have you forsaken me?” — Mark 15: 34

Lesson Mark 15: 33-34 Caprice Jones

Solo “Let My Cry Come Before You, O Lord” by Warren Hermodson
Roxanne Rollefson, Ruth Assmus, vocals;
Dr. Chuck Barland, piano

Prayer (in unison) LBR

**Meet us, loving God, at the place of the skull,
when we had hoped for a peaceful garden.
Meet us in our defeats,
when we had hoped for victory.
Meet us in our temptation,
when we had hoped for clear and easy decisions.
Meet us here, O God, in this healing moment,
for we need you now.
Amen.**

Reflection Rev. Dianne M. Grace
Chaplain, Hospice of Dubuque

* Hymn “Lamb of God” TFWS 2113

Music Interlude

Please sit toward the front to allow room in the back for others arriving later.

Stripping of the Sanctuary Candlesticks

THE SEVENTH WORD

(2:30 p.m.)

“Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.” — Luke 23: 46

Lesson Luke 23: 44-49 Elizabeth Swan
Presbyterian student at UDS

Solo “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross” arr. David Maddux
Ann Lorenz, vocal; Dr. Chuck Barland, piano

Prayer (in unison) LBG

In the loneliness of Good Friday, we come to you, God, wondering how to find your will in the midst of tragedy. All the grief and sorrow we have known is rekindled at the cross. The pain is more than we can bear. Where can we find any meaning in all of this? Thorns and nails and bitter tears cannot be your intent for your children. What ever happened to love? Where is truth to be found in all of this? Silent God, answer our cries. Amen.

Reflection Bonnie Sue Lewis, Ph.D.
Professor of Mission and World Christianity,
University of Dubuque Theological Seminary

* Hymn “Sing, My Tongue, the Glorious Battle” UMH 296

Music Interlude

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Stripping of the Sanctuary Covering the Pulpit and Lectern

A TIME OF MEDITATION

Silence

Prayer (in unison)

RD

Jesus, crucified and living Savior, we are huddled together in doubt and fear like the disciples of long ago. We do not want to be separated; we do not want to be forsaken; we do not want to say “good-byes”; we do not want to follow you with a cross.

But even as we know you bid us follow you into brokenness and death, we also know that you have gone before – you have faced danger and conquered doubt.

As we remember the Good Friday events of long ago, we are brought closer to each other and feel your presence with us. We know that we can go with you, because your promise abides with us. Amen.

Meditation

“Were You There”
Rev. Chuck Layton, vocal

by William Smith

The Lord’s Prayer (in unison)

The Ecumenical Text

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.

Solo

“Nearer My God to Thee”
Otto Krueger, trumpet

by S.F. Adams &
L. Mason

* Tolling of the Tower Chime 33 times, for the 33 years of Jesus’ earthly life

Departure, in reverence



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