

**Friday, April 3, 2026**  
ST. ANDREWS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
DUNEDIN, FLORIDA

A WORD TO OUR GUESTS

# *Welcome!*

We're glad you are here. We know you have many choices of what to do with your time. We are happy that you chose to spend it with us this evening. We want you to know that in order to make this the best possible experience for you...

We will go out of our way to:

- Be clear about Jesus. Present as clear a picture as we can of the positive, hopeful, life-changing message of Jesus Christ.
- Make sure you feel welcome. Our commitment is to make sure you feel accepted, valued and never judged.
- Make what you wear a non-issue. You are dressed perfectly. Jesus cares about you, not your clothes. We feel the same way.
- Let you be anonymous. We won't single you out or make you feel awkward. We'll introduce ourselves, but not be pushy.
- Talk in words that make sense. We won't talk in "Bible talk" and if we use special words, we'll carefully explain them.
- Not pressure you to give. No guilt. Believe it or not, we don't care whether you give money. You are our welcome guest today.
- Take care of your children. We are as nuts about the safety and care of your children as we are about Jesus.
- Love you. Even if we don't know you yet, we know God loves you and, therefore, so do we.

## GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE - 7:00 P.M.

### GATHER IN SILENCE

#### Silent Meditation

Tenebrae is a prolonged meditation on Christ's suffering. Readings trace the story of Christ's passion, music portrays his pathos, and the power of silence and darkness suggests the drama of this momentous day. As lights are extinguished, we ponder the depth of Christ's suffering and death. By the time the service ends, all of the candles will be extinguished and we will leave in silence and darkness. You are welcome to stay to meditate or pray and to leave when you are ready.

#### Prelude

*O Man, Bewail Thy Grievous Fall*  
- J.S. Bach

Mark Hunter,  
Organist

#### \*Greeting and Call to Worship

Rev. Dr. David Hunsicker, Jr.

Leader: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

**People: Amen.**

Leader: Blessed be the name of the Lord our God,

**People: who redeems us from sin and death.**

Leader: For us and for our salvation, Christ became obedient unto death, even death on a cross.

**People: Blessed be the name of the Lord.**

#### Opening Prayer

Rev. Dr. David Hunsicker, Jr.

\*Congregational Hymn *Beneath the Cross of Jesus* #216

## **The Shadow of Betrayal**

Scripture Reading: *Matthew 26:20-25* - NIV

Elder Nicole Shields,  
reader

*<sup>20</sup> When evening came, Jesus was reclining at the table with the Twelve. <sup>21</sup> And while they were eating, he said, "Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me."*

*<sup>22</sup> They were very sad and began to say to him one after the other, "Surely you don't mean me, Lord?"*

*<sup>23</sup> Jesus replied, "The one who has dipped his hand into the bowl with me will betray me. <sup>24</sup> The Son of Man will go just as it is written about him. But woe to that man who betrays the Son of Man! It would be better for him if he had not been born."*

*<sup>25</sup> Then Judas, the one who would betray him, said, "Surely you don't mean me, Rabbi?"*

*Jesus answered, "You have said so."*

### **Special Music**

*Sharing Paschal Bread and Wine*  
by Mary L. Bringle and Sally A. Morris  
Soloists: Emma Nickel, Mia George,  
Ian Indorf, Rohan Blum

Chancel Choir

## **The Shadow of the Agony of Spirit and Arrest**

Scripture Reading: *Matthew 26:36-50* - NIV

Elder Edie Wiseman,  
reader

*<sup>36</sup> Then Jesus went with his disciples to a place called Gethsemane, and he said to them, "Sit here while I go over there and pray." <sup>37</sup> He took Peter and the two sons of Zebedee along with him, and he began to be sorrowful and troubled. <sup>38</sup> Then he said to them, "My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death. Stay here and keep watch with me."*

*<sup>39</sup> Going a little farther, he fell with his face to the ground and prayed, "My Father, if it is possible, may this cup be taken from me. Yet not as I will, but as you will."*

*<sup>40</sup> Then he returned to his disciples and found them sleeping. "Couldn't you men keep watch with me for one hour?" he asked Peter. <sup>41</sup> "Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak."*

*<sup>42</sup> He went away a second time and prayed, "My Father, if it is not possible for this cup to be taken away unless I drink it, may your will be done."*

*<sup>43</sup> When he came back, he again found them sleeping, because their eyes were heavy.<sup>44</sup> So he left them and went away once more and prayed the third time, saying the same thing.*

*<sup>45</sup> Then he returned to the disciples and said to them, "Are you still sleeping and resting? Look, the hour has come, and the Son of Man is delivered into the hands of sinners.<sup>46</sup> Rise! Let us go! Here comes my betrayer!"*

*<sup>47</sup> While he was still speaking, Judas, one of the Twelve, arrived. With him was a large crowd armed with swords and clubs, sent from the chief priests and the elders of the people. <sup>48</sup> Now the betrayer had arranged a signal with them: "The one I kiss is the man; arrest him."<sup>49</sup> Going at once to Jesus, Judas said, "Greetings, Rabbi!" and kissed him.*

*<sup>50</sup> Jesus replied, "Do what you came for, friend."*

*Then the men stepped forward, seized Jesus and arrested him.*

## **Congregational Response**

**People: "Shadows lengthen into night."**

**\*Congregational Hymn**    *Go to Dark Gethsemane #220*

### **The Shadow of Denial**

Scripture Reading: *Matthew 26:69-75 - NIV*

Edler Carol White,  
reader

*<sup>69</sup> Now Peter was sitting out in the courtyard, and a servant girl came to him. "You also were with Jesus of Galilee," she said.*

*<sup>70</sup> But he denied it before them all. "I don't know what you're talking about," he said.*

*<sup>71</sup> Then he went out to the gateway, where another servant girl saw him and said to the people there, "This fellow was with Jesus of Nazareth."*

*<sup>72</sup> He denied it again, with an oath: "I don't know the man!"*

*<sup>73</sup> After a little while, those standing there went up to Peter and said, "Surely you are one of them; your accent gives you away."*

*<sup>74</sup> Then he began to call down curses, and he swore to them, "I don't know the man!"*

*Immediately a rooster crowed. <sup>75</sup> Then Peter remembered the word Jesus had spoken: "Before the rooster crows, you will disown me three times." And he went outside and wept bitterly.*

## **Congregational Response**

**People: "Shadows lengthen into night."**

### **Poem**

*"Judas, Peter"* by Luci Shaw  
Elder Edie Wiseman, reader

### **The Shadow of Accusation**

Elder Amanda Bowman,  
reader

Scripture Reading: *Matthew 27:11-14, 20-29 - NIV*

*<sup>11</sup> Meanwhile Jesus stood before the governor, and the governor asked him, "Are you the king of the Jews?"*

*"You have said so," Jesus replied.*

*<sup>12</sup> When he was accused by the chief priests and the elders, he gave no answer. <sup>13</sup> Then Pilate asked him, "Don't you hear the testimony they are bringing against you?" <sup>14</sup> But Jesus made no reply, not even to a single charge—to the great amazement of the governor.*

*<sup>20</sup> But the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowd to ask for Barabbas and to have Jesus executed.*

*<sup>21</sup> "Which of the two do you want me to release to you?" asked the governor.*

*"Barabbas," they answered.*

*<sup>22</sup> "What shall I do, then, with Jesus who is called the Messiah?" Pilate asked.*

*They all answered, "Crucify him!"*

<sup>23</sup> *"Why? What crime has he committed?" asked Pilate.*

*But they shouted all the louder, "Crucify him!"*

<sup>24</sup> *When Pilate saw that he was getting nowhere, but that instead an uproar was starting, he took water and washed his hands in front of the crowd. "I am innocent of this man's blood," he said. "It is your responsibility!"*

<sup>25</sup> *All the people answered, "His blood is on us and on our children!"*

<sup>26</sup> *Then he released Barabbas to them. But he had Jesus flogged, and handed him over to be crucified.*

<sup>27</sup> *Then the governor's soldiers took Jesus into the Praetorium and gathered the whole company of soldiers around him. <sup>28</sup> They stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him,<sup>29</sup> and then twisted together a crown of thorns and set it on his head. They put a staff in his right hand. Then they knelt in front of him and mocked him. "Hail, king of the Jews!" they said.*

## **Congregational Response**

**People: "Shadows lengthen into night."**

**\*Congregational Hymn**

*Ah, Holy Jesus #218*

**The Shadow of Crucifixion and Humiliation**

Elder Steve Oakes,

Scripture Reading: *Matthew 27:31-43 - NIV*

reader

<sup>31</sup> *After they had mocked him, they took off the robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him away to crucify him.*

<sup>32</sup> *As they were going out, they met a man from Cyrene, named Simon, and they forced him to carry the cross. <sup>33</sup> They came to a place called Golgotha (which means "the place of the skull"). <sup>34</sup> There they offered Jesus wine to drink, mixed with gall; but after tasting it, he refused to drink it. <sup>35</sup> When they had crucified him, they divided up his clothes by casting lots.<sup>36</sup> And sitting down, they kept watch over him there. <sup>37</sup> Above his head they placed the written charge against him: this is jesus, the king of the jews.*

<sup>38</sup> Two rebels were crucified with him, one on his right and one on his left.<sup>39</sup> Those who passed by hurled insults at him, shaking their heads <sup>40</sup> and saying, "You who are going to destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself! Come down from the cross, if you are the Son of God!" <sup>41</sup> In the same way the chief priests, the teachers of the law and the elders mocked him. <sup>42</sup> "He saved others," they said, "but he can't save himself! He's the king of Israel! Let him come down now from the cross, and we will believe in him. <sup>43</sup> He trusts in God. Let God rescue him now if he wants him, for he said, 'I am the Son of God.'"

## Congregational Response

**People: "Shadows lengthen into night."**

**\*Congregational Hymn** *O Sacred Head, Now Wounded* #221

### **The Shadow of Death**

Scripture Reading: *Matthew 27:45-56* - NIV

Sherrill Roberson,  
reader

<sup>45</sup> From noon until three in the afternoon darkness came over all the land. <sup>46</sup> About three in the afternoon Jesus cried out in a loud voice, "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?" (which means "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?").

<sup>47</sup> When some of those standing there heard this, they said, "He's calling Elijah."

<sup>48</sup> Immediately one of them ran and got a sponge. He filled it with wine vinegar, put it on a staff, and offered it to Jesus to drink. <sup>49</sup> The rest said, "Now leave him alone. Let's see if Elijah comes to save him."

<sup>50</sup> And when Jesus had cried out again in a loud voice, he gave up his spirit.

<sup>51</sup> At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom. The earth shook, the rocks split <sup>52</sup> and the tombs broke open. The bodies of many holy people who had died were raised to life. <sup>53</sup> They came out of the tombs after Jesus' resurrection and went into the holy city and appeared to many people.

<sup>54</sup> When the centurion and those with him who were guarding Jesus saw the earthquake and all that had happened, they were terrified, and exclaimed, "Surely he was the Son of God!"

<sup>55</sup> Many women were there, watching from a distance. They had followed Jesus from Galilee to care for his needs.<sup>56</sup> Among them were Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James and Joseph, and the mother of Zebedee's sons.

## Congregational Response

**People: "Shadows lengthen into night."**

### Choir Anthem

*Here Lies He Now*  
by D.P. Thomas & J.S. Bach

Chancel Choir

### The Shadow of Burial

Scripture Reading: *Matthew 27:57-60* - NIV

Elder John Miller,  
reader

*<sup>57</sup> As evening approached, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who had himself become a disciple of Jesus. <sup>58</sup> Going to Pilate, he asked for Jesus' body, and Pilate ordered that it be given to him. <sup>59</sup> Joseph took the body, wrapped it in a clean linen cloth, <sup>60</sup> and placed it in his own new tomb that he had cut out of the rock. He rolled a big stone in front of the entrance to the tomb and went away.*

## Congregational Response

**People: "Shadows lengthen into night."**

### Quartet Response

*Were You There?*  
Emma Nickel, Mia George,  
Ian Indorf, Rohan Blum

### Silent Meditation

### Dismissal

Leader: May Jesus Christ who for our sakes became obedient unto death, even death on a cross, keep you and strengthen you.

**People: Amen.**

### Leave in Silence

\*Please stand as you are able.

### **Those With Special Needs**

Janet Calve	Bo & Patsy Perry
Bill Douglas	Greg Nichols
Mary Ann Beall	Ken Giesow
Kirk & Donna Yates	Linda Dremstedt
Patty Ingman	Ron & Betty Smay
Barry Dowdy	Angie Castillejo-Rocha
Ron Roberson	Cal & Trish Pierson

### **Those Serving in the Military**

Jeremy Roberson (Navy)  
Ingrid Weishaupt (Army Reserve)  
Pete Weishaupt (Navy Reserve)

### **Those Who Grieve**

### **Those in the Hospital**

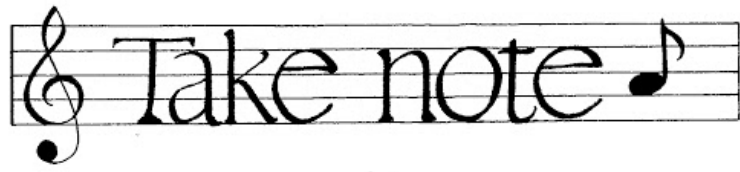
### **Those Who Are in Homes, Assisted Living, Nursing Homes & Rehab Centers**

Kay Hirst, Lake Seminole Square, Seminole  
Sue Koutsourais, The Gables Assisted Living, Palm Harbor  
Dee Nickels, St. Marks Memory Care, Palm Harbor

### **Out of the Area**

Lu Anne Erskine, 2805 Atlantic Blvd. Vero Beach, FL 32960  
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In addition, please pray for our church, the church universal, our community, our nation and our world, those in distressing circumstances, and those in authority.



# Easter Services

**Garden Service**  
**9:30 am**

**Traditional Service**  
**11:00 am**

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