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April 3, 2026
(12:00pm & 7:00pm)

Welcome to our “*Tenebrae service*”. *Tenebrae* means darkness or shadows. The sanctuary will slowly grow darker as we hear the seven last words of Christ from the cross.

Please remain silent before and after the service.

Please silence your cell phones. Child care is available at 7pm. On the white 3x5 cards, you are invited to write down prayers, whatever is real and honest between you and God. They will be nailed to the cross during worship. Following worship, they will be destroyed.

THE SEVEN WORDS FROM THE CROSS

(After each reading, a candle is extinguished, and a solo reflection is sung.)

Please remain silent and use this time for prayer.

WELCOME AND INVOCATION

CALL TO WORSHIP: *Jesus, Lover of My Soul* arr. K. Buckwalter (7pm)
Art & Music Director Michelle Lum, Handbell Choir
Mallory Bacon (oboe), Micaela Lum (piano)

PRAYER OF THE DAY (People read/sing **bold** words.)

THE HYMN: O Sacred Head, Now Wounded #351 vv. 1-2

THE FIRST WORD FROM THE CROSS: Luke 23:33-34
Extinguishing of the First Candle
Solo Reflection on First Word Andy Degan

THE SECOND WORD FROM THE CROSS: Luke 23:39-43
Extinguishing of the Second Candle
Solo Reflection on the Second Candle

THE HYMN: O Sacred Head, Now Wounded #351 vv. 3-4

THE THIRD WORD FROM THE CROSS: John 19:25b-27
Extinguishing of the Third Candle
Solo Reflection on the Third Candle

THE FOURTH WORD FROM THE CROSS: Matthew 27:45-46
Extinguishing of the Fourth Candle
Solo Reflection on the Fourth Candle

THE HYMN: When I Survey the Wondrous Cross #803 vv. 1-2

THE FIFTH WORD FROM THE CROSS: John 19:28-29
Extinguishing of the Fifth Candle
Solo Reflection on the Fifth Candle

THE SIXTH WORD FROM THE CROSS: Luke 23:44-46
Extinguishing of the Sixth Candle
Solo Reflection on the Sixth Candle

THE HYMN: When I Survey the Wondrous Cross #803 vv. 3-4

THE MESSAGE: “*The 8th Word from the Cross*” Pastor David R. Mattson

THE OFFERING (All donations will go to Lutheran World Relief.)

LENTEN OFFERTORY: *And Can It Be?* By Dan Forrest Michelle Lum (12pm)
Sanctuary Choir (7pm)

WORDS OF INSTITUTION, THE LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO THE SACRAMENT

HOLY COMMUNION

(All who believe that Christ is present in this sacrament are welcome. Non-communicating children may come forward for a blessing. For those that prefer, white grape juice is located in the center of the tray. Gluten Free wafers are available upon request. Ushers will guide you forward.)

MUSIC DURING HOLY COMMUNION:

Lamb of God (People repeat each phrase after the leader.)

Adagio from Concerto for Oboe and Violin in C Minor, BWV 1060 by J.S. Bach
Mallory Bacon, Kathy Person, Micaela Lum

NAILING OF PRAYER CONCERNS TO THE CROSS

(Fold the white card in half. Ushers will be there to guide you in nailing your prayer card to the cross. After nailing the card, continue on to an open spot at the rail for Holy Communion. After communing, please return to your seats for prayer.)

POST COMMUNION BLESSING AND PRAYER

THE FINAL WORD FROM THE CROSS: John 19:30
Extinguishing the Seventh Candle

Congregation sings **Jesus, Remember Me** (Taize) while Altar is stripped.

PLACING FIVE DROPS OF WINE ON THE ALTAR (Represents the wounds of Christ.)

CLOSING PRAYER AND BLESSING

THE HYMN: Were You There #353 vv. 1-2, 5

REMOVAL OF CHRIST CANDLE (Please leave the Sanctuary in silence.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANKS to our musicians, lectors, volunteers, and ushers for helping during Good Friday services.

Easter/Resurrection Sunday

April 5, 2026 - 6:30am (outside), 8:30am, 10am
Special Music - Bells, Trumpet, Choirs. Refreshments.
Eggstravaganza - 11am

SUNDAY SCHOOL is during Sunday morning services (children ages 4-5th grade). Children leave after the Children's Message and return before Holy Communion. There will be no Sunday School on Easter Sunday. Questions - Children's Ministry Director Molly Healey - childrensministry@mygloriadei.org.

APRIL NEWSLETTER is available at the Welcome Table. Pick one up and join in.

ART INSTALL - Help the Art Ministry with our install (Super Bloom) tomorrow at 9am. Questions, speak with Art & Music Minister Michelle Lum.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY on Wednesdays, 10am begins April 8. All Women are invited to join Pastor David and Deacon Daneen for this weekly study. Knudson Hall.

MEN'S BREAKFAST - 2nd Sunday/month, 8:30am. Great food, fellowship, and brief Bible study led by Pastor David. Knudson Hall. All men are invited.

LUNCH AND LASER TAG FOR HIGH SCHOOLERS - Next Sunday, April 12th @ Laserland in Mission Viejo, noon. Call the church office for details.

CLOSET CLEAN-OUT CLOTHING EXCHANGE: April 12, 1pm-5pm, Bankson Hall. Bring clothes on hangers. Women's clothes, handbags, shoes, etc. men's clothes as well. Then shop around for FREE. Drop off items between noon-4pm Saturday, April 11 in Bankson Hall. See the flyer at the Welcome Table.

ALL MUSIC GROUPS - Bell Choir, Sanctuary Choir, Chorale - begin again on Thursday, April 16. Join in for the remainder of the season. Questions, speak with Michelle Lum.

CONGRATULATIONS to all the kids who received their First Communion: Caroline Brodrick, Charlotte Mayfield, Henry Overton, Kennedy Merchant and Owen Healey.

WOMEN'S TEA - Saturday, April 25, 2pm. Sign-up! \$30. Catered, traditional tea.. (No cost for table hostesses and military families). Hats encouraged!

GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY - PETTING ZOO - Sunday, April 26, please join us to visit with all the animals out by the parking lot during the morning.

ART WORKSHOP: Crepe Paper Flowers - Thursday, April 30 from 10:30am-12:30pm. Learn how to make beautiful flowers out of crepe paper! In this workshop, you'll see a variety of techniques to create some realistic, life-sized flowers for you to take home.

SARA GROVES CONCERT: Saturday, May 2, 7pm, Gloria Dei. Tickets available at the Welcome Table on a first-come, first-served basis. (\$25 suggested donation).

CALL COMMITTEE UPDATE - Next, they meet with the Assistant to the Bishop. Please keep them in your prayers as they begin search for an Associate Pastor.

XTRA PRAYERS - Candle station (by organ pipes) is available before & after services.

MEMORIAL SERVICE for Barb McKeown will take place on Saturday, April 11, 11am.

UPCOMING SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES: Serra's Pantry, Los Angelitos Orphanage, Laundry Love, and more. Call the office for all the details/dates.

OFFERING - Thank you for supporting Gloria Dei! Place check/money in donation boxes or give via Venmo app - @GloriaDei-DanaPoint or Zelle - gloriadei@mygloriadei.org. You can also donate via credit/debit card through Vanco: mygloriadei.org/donate or go to QR code to right.

