



The Presbyterian Church of Okemos & Okemos Community Church
Good Friday Service of Tenebrae
April 18, 2025

Prelude *O Man, Bewail Thy Grievous Fall* J.S. Bach
Dr. Marlene Brewbaker, organist

Welcome Pastor Lisa Schrott

Call to Worship

One: Blessed be the name of the Lord our God;

All: who redeems us from sin and death.

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

All: Blessed be the name of the Lord.

Prayer of the Day

Pastor Dillon Burns

God who asked for a drink, God who was killed by the state, God who offered love and grace even from the cross— we are at a loss for words. What do we do with this day? The air is heavy. Our hearts are heavy. The suffering of this world feels particularly close, spilling out all over us. And yet, even in this space, we know you are moving. Even in this space, we know that this is not the end. Give us the heart to hear this story and the courage to let it change us. Gratefully we pray, amen.

* **Hymn #221**

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded, vs. 1-3
[Passion Chorale]

Offering

Pastor Lisa Schrott

Invitation

Offering

To support the Okemos Community Pantry

Offertory

Herzliebster Jesu
[Ah, Holy Jesus]

Johannes Brahms

Prayer of Dedication

The Passion of the Lord: Service of Tenebrae

Gounod: Requiem Mass & Messe Chorale in G minor (see insert)

Featuring the Choirs of Okemos Community Church & the Presbyterian Church of Okemos

Directed by Alex Gerleman & Westin Sorrel

Chamber Orchestra:

Brett Boyer, Amy Cheng, Mira Cheng, Sunil Kiim
Jennifer Pepper, Cole Sheffer, Leonid Tsoy, Jian Xiong

Vocal Soloists:

Elia Meekhof, Amira Coleman, Landon Black, Roger David

Introit /Kyrie

Betrayal and Arrest of Jesus: Mark 14: 43-52
Candle Extinguished

Dorinda VanKempen

Dies Irae Part 1

Jesus Before the Council: Mark 14:53-65
Candle Extinguished

Pastor Allie Williams

Peter Denies Jesus: Mark 14:66-72
Candle Extinguished

Pastor Lisa Schrott

Dies Irae Part 2

Jesus Before Pilate: Mark 15:1-15
Candle Extinguished

Pastor Dillon Burns

The Soldiers Mock Jesus: Mark 15:16-20
Candle Extinguished

Dorinda VanKempen

Sanctus

Benedictus

The Crucifixion of Jesus: Mark 15:21-32
Candle Extinguished

Pastor Allie Williams

The Death of Jesus: Mark 15:33-41
Candle Extinguished

Pastor Lisa Schrott

Pie Jesu

The Burial of Jesus: Mark 15:42-47
Paschal Candle Extinguished

Pastor Dillon Burns

Agnus Dei

Depart in Silence

** Please rise in body or spirit*

Ushers: Bill & Barbara Given, Jack Harkema, David Horner, Tom Schaberg

The **Presbyterian Church of Okemos** welcomes you to join us on Easter Sunday for the worship service at 10:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary or online. The service will include communion and special music from a Brass Quintet, Handbell Choir and Chancel Choir and singing of the Hallelujah Chorus. You are invited to stay for Easter brunch following the service hosted by our Parish Life Committee. We welcome all.

Celebrate Jesus' resurrection with us at **Okemos Community Church** in a joyful and musical service at 10:00 a.m. on Easter Day! Worship will include special music, "A Time For All" that brings the resurrection story to life for all ages, and communion. Special Easter Activity bags are available for kids and youth as they worship! This year's Easter Offering will go to benefit the Okemos Community Food Pantry to feed the hungry right here in our own community. After worship you are invited to stay for fellowship and fun including: Easter Brunch, Easter Egg Hunt For Kids with a visit from the Easter Bunny!, Tween and Teen "Build Your Own" Easter Baskets, and Easter Flowers for purchase. Nursery care is available for children birth-4yrs old.