

FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

1000 Douglas Avenue, Las Vegas NM 87701

April 15, 2022

5:30 p.m.

Assisting in Worship This Evening

Rev. Katie Palmer – First United Presbyterian Church

Accompanist – Em Krall

Director of Music – Karyl Lyne

Soloists – Karyl Lyne

Readers – Mark Gillingham, Peter Linder, Judy Long, Mary Schipper, Beth Urech

Tech Crew – Carol Linder, D.R. Palmer, Tom Trigg



GOOD FRIDAY

Please join us for a celebration of the Resurrection
on Sunday at 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER AROUND THE WORD

MEDITATION – *Every day of the year is a good day to think more deeply about Good Friday, for Good Friday is the drama of the love by which our every day is sustained.* – Richard John Newhaus

Please enter in silence

WORDS OF WELCOME

Rev. Katie Palmer

CALL TO AWARENESS (from John 12:12-17)

One: The crowd heard Jesus was coming to Jerusalem and gathered to meet him.

All: They took palm branches and began shouting: Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna!

One: Jesus rode into town on a young donkey he had found.

All: Still the crowd shouted: Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord, the King of Israel!

One: The crowd that had been with Jesus when he called Lazarus out of the tomb continued to testify to Jesus' identity.

All: But soon the voice of the crowd would be raised against Jesus: Crucify him! Crucify him!

STRIPPING OF THE CHANCEL

***UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

Eternal God of unchanging power and light, we gather to remember the passion of your son Jesus and to ask that you look with mercy on your whole church. May your word remind us of your incarnation and your work done through Jesus. Bring to completion your saving work so that the whole world may see the fallen lifted up, the old made new, and all things brought to wholeness through Christ.

***OPENING HYMN** *This Is the Night*, v. 1, 4, 5 (GTG #206)

THE SERVICE OF SHADOWS

The Shadow of Betrayal – John 13:21-30 Peter Linder
Response *The Betrayal* by Janet Martin
Mary Schipper, Reader
First Candle Extinguished

The Shadow of Agony – John 12:27-28a Beth Urech
Response *What Wondrous Love Is This*, v. 1-2 (GTG #215)
Second Candle Extinguished

The Shadow of Arrest – John 18:1-11 Judy Long
Response *Ah, Holy Jesus*, v. 1 (GTG #218)
Third Candle Extinguished

The Shadow of Accusation – John 18:28-37 Mark Gillingham
Response *In All Our Grief*
Karyl Lyne, Soloist
Fourth Candle Extinguished

The Shadow of Mockery – John 19:1-5a Mary Schipper
Response *Jesus Before Pilate* by Stephen Greenleaf Bulfinch, Part I
Beth Urech, Reader
Fifth Candle Extinguished

The Shadow of Crucifixion – John 19:5b-16a Judy Long
Response *Jesus Before Pilate* by Stephen Greenleaf Bulfinch, Part II
Beth Urech, Reader
Sixth Candle Extinguished

The Shadow of Grief – John 19:16b-22 Peter Linder
Response *God's Naked Lamb* by David L. Hatton
Mark Gillingham, Reader
Seventh Candle Extinguished

RESPONSIVE READING (from John 10:11, 18:37)

One: Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd who lays down his life for the sheep."
All: Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to the shepherd's voice.
One: Again, he said, "For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth."
All: Let us hear the voice of truth.

The Shadow of Death – John 19:28-30
Christ Candle Extinguished

O How He Loves You and Me
Karyl Lyne, Soloist

—Silent Meditation of the People—

*Please remain in silent reflection until you are ready to leave.
As you leave, we ask that you leave the sanctuary and the building in silence.
Go in peace.*

* Please stand if you are able