



# First Presbyterian Church

870 West College, Jacksonville, IL

Bringing Hope: Every Hour, Every Day

Maundy Thursday—Tenebrae

April 9, 2020, 7:00 pm

- **Look for the livestream video on our Facebook page** ([www.facebook.com/firstpresjax/](http://www.facebook.com/firstpresjax/)) The livestream will begin at 6:45pm, and worship will begin at 7:00 pm.
- **Go to this link on our website** <http://firstpresjax.org/live/> We will do our best to have this available at 7:00 pm, but at the latest it will be posted on Good Friday.

Ring of the Hour

A Word of Welcome

Rev. Jonathan Warren

Opening Voluntary

“Abide With Me”

Craig Curry

Call To Worship:

1 Cor 11, John 13

Leader: In the dark of the evening, guided by candlelight,

**People: we come to remember and give thanks.**

Leader: In the solemnness of this hour, guided by prayer,

**People: we come to worship, to be fed by God’s Spirit, to be filled with Christ’s amazing love.**

\*Hymn

“Lead Me to Calvary”

Duncannon

1 King of my life, I crown Thee now

Thine shall the glory be

Lest I forget Thy thorn-crowned brow

Lead me to Calvary (Refrain)

2 Show me the tomb where Thou wast laid,

Tenderly mourned and wept;

Angels in robes of light arrayed

Guarded Thee whilst Thou slept. (Refrain)

*Refrain:*

Lest I forget Gethsemane,

Lest I forget Thine agony;

Lest I forget Thy love for me,

Lead me to Calvary.

## Sunday

Prayer of Thanksgiving:

**Holy God, in this sacred and solemn week when we see again the depth and mystery of Your redeeming love, fix our eyes upon Christ. Once, glad disciples shouted “Hosanna” and then turned away. Help us to follow where He goes, to stop where He stumbles, to listen when He cries, to hurt as He suffers, to bow our heads in sorrow when He dies, so that when raised to life again we may share Your endless joy.** — *Church of Scotland*

*The First Candle is Extinguished*

## Monday

Scripture: Mark 11:15-18

<sup>15</sup> Then they came to Jerusalem. And he entered the temple and began to drive out those who were selling and those who were buying in the temple, and he overturned the tables of the money changers and the seats of those who sold doves; <sup>16</sup> and he would not allow anyone to carry anything through the temple. <sup>17</sup> He was teaching and saying, "Is it not written, 'My house shall be called a house of prayer for all the nations'? But you have made it a den of robbers." <sup>18</sup> And when the chief priests and the scribes heard it, they kept looking for a way to kill him; for they were afraid of him, because the whole crowd was spellbound by his teaching. <sup>19</sup> And when evening came, Jesus and his disciples went out of the city.

Solo

"O Sacred Head"  
First verse

Craig Courtney

Prayer:

**Great God, cleanse Your church of fake piety, overturn our greed, and let us be a holy people, repentant, prayerful, and ready to worship You in Spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*The Second Candle is Extinguished*

## Tuesday

Scripture: Matthew 21:28-32

<sup>28</sup> "What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' <sup>29</sup> He answered, 'I will not'; but later he changed his mind and went. <sup>30</sup> The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, 'I go, sir'; but he did not go. <sup>31</sup> Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. <sup>32</sup> For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.

Solo

"O Sacred Head"  
Second verse

Craig Courtney

Prayer:

**Loving God, whose mercy never ends, even as Jesus came not to judge but to save us, so may we, His believing people, seek to reach people everywhere with Your saving Word; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*The Third Candle is Extinguished*

### Wednesday

Scripture:

Mark 12:1-12

<sup>1</sup> Then he began to speak to them in parables. "A man planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a pit for the wine press, and built a watchtower; then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. <sup>2</sup> When the season came, he sent a slave to the tenants to collect from them his share of the produce of the vineyard. <sup>3</sup> But they seized him, and beat him, and sent him away empty-handed. <sup>4</sup> And again he sent another slave to them; this one they beat over the head and insulted. <sup>5</sup> Then he sent another, and that one they killed. And so it was with many others; some they beat, and others they killed. <sup>6</sup> He had still one other, a beloved son. Finally he sent him to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' <sup>7</sup> But those tenants said to one another, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him, and the inheritance will be ours.' <sup>8</sup> So they seized him, killed him, and threw him out of the vineyard. <sup>9</sup> What then will the owner of the vineyard do? He will come and destroy the tenants and give the vineyard to others. <sup>10</sup> Have you not read this scripture: 'The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; <sup>11</sup> this was the Lord's doing, and it is amazing in our eyes?' <sup>12</sup> When they realized that he had told this parable against them, they wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowd. So they left him and went away.

Hymn

"What Wondrous Love is This?"

Wondrous Love

1 What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,  
what wondrous love is this, O my soul!

What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss  
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,  
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul!

2 When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down,  
when I was sinking down, sinking down,  
when I was sinking down  
beneath God's righteous frown,  
Christ laid aside his crown for my soul, for my soul,  
Christ laid aside his crown for my soul!

Prayer:

**Almighty God, who has trusted us to labor faithfully in Your vineyard, deliver us from our impulse to reject You; save us from our desire to do things our way, so that we may be profitable stewards and receive the rewards You have promised, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*The Fourth Candle is Extinguished*

## Thursday

Scripture:

Mark 14:22-25; 32-36

<sup>22</sup>While they were eating, he took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to them, and said, "Take; this is my body." <sup>23</sup>Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, and all of them drank from it. <sup>24</sup>He said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. <sup>25</sup>Truly I tell you, I will never again drink of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God." <sup>32</sup>They went to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples, "Sit here while I pray." <sup>33</sup>He took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be distressed and agitated. <sup>34</sup>And he said to them, "I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and keep awake." <sup>35</sup>And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. <sup>36</sup>He said, "Abba, Father, for you all things are possible; remove this cup from me; yet, not what I want, but what you want."

Prayer:

**Eternal God, whose covenant with us is never broken, we confess that we have failed to fulfill Your will for us. We betray our neighbors and desert our friends, and run in fear when we should be loyal. God, have mercy on us, weak and willful people. Unite us to Christ, who is the bread of life and the vine from which we grow in grace, to whom we praise forever. Amen.**

Solo

"O Sacred Head"

Craig Courtney

Third verse

## *The Fifth Candle Is Extinguished*

## Friday

Scripture:

Mark 15:1-15

<sup>1</sup>As soon as it was morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council. They bound Jesus, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate. <sup>2</sup>Pilate asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" He answered him, "You say so." <sup>3</sup>Then the chief priests accused him of many things. <sup>4</sup>Pilate asked him again, "Have you no answer? See how many charges they bring against you." <sup>5</sup>But Jesus made no further reply, so that Pilate was amazed. <sup>6</sup>Now at the festival he used to release a prisoner for them, anyone for whom they asked. <sup>7</sup>Now a man called Barabbas was in prison with the rebels who had committed murder during the insurrection. <sup>8</sup>So the crowd came and began to ask Pilate to do for them according to his custom. <sup>9</sup>Then he answered them, "Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?" <sup>10</sup>For he realized that it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed him over. <sup>11</sup>But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release Barabbas for them instead. <sup>12</sup>Pilate spoke to them again, "Then what do you wish me to do with the man you call the King of the Jews?" <sup>13</sup>They shouted back, "Crucify him!" <sup>14</sup>Pilate asked them, "Why, what evil has he done?" But they shouted all the more, "Crucify him!" <sup>15</sup>So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified.

Prayer:

**How great is Your love, O God, for which Jesus willingly took up a cross and lay down His life. Work in us such true faithfulness that we may cast out sin, welcome mercy, and live in wonder, praising the perfect gift of Jesus Christ the Savior. Amen.**

Voluntary

“Ah Holy Jesus”

Johann Cruger

### *The Sixth Candle is Extinguished*

Reflection:

Rev. Jonathan Warren

Scripture:

Mark 15:33-38

<sup>33</sup>When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. <sup>34</sup>At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice, “Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?” which means, “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?” <sup>35</sup>When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, “Listen, he is calling for Elijah.” <sup>36</sup>And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying, “Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down.” <sup>37</sup>Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last. <sup>38</sup>And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom.

Special Music:

“Were You There?”

Spiritual

### *Depart in Silence*

#### ~ TODAY'S WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS ~

Pastor: Rev. Jonathan Warren

Director of Music & Organist: Christine Smith

Pastoral Assistant: John Nelson

Choir Director: Stephanie Soltermann

Sound Technician: Steve Holt

*This service is an adaptation of the ancient Tenebrae service dating from the eighth century. It commemorates the suffering and death of Christ and was originally celebrated on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday of Holy Week. The literal translation of the Latin “Tenebrae” is “shadows.” While it is sometimes portrayed as a service of shadows, in more recent years it has been presented as a ceremony progressing from light to darkness. As the candles are extinguished, they symbolize the fading loyalty of the disciples and friends of Jesus. They also portray the fading light of the world as Christ was departing from it.*

#### **MORE WAYS TO WORSHIP**

- **Listen to the sermons:** [Google Podcast](#) | [Apple Podcast](#) | [Spotify](#) (recorded and available later in the week. Click the links or go to our website to listen [www.firstpresjax.org](http://www.firstpresjax.org))
- If you are still unable to worship with us with any of these options, please call the office at (217-245-4189) and we will send you a printed bulletin with sermon and/or CD.

## ~ PRAYER REQUESTS ~

**Megan Clemmons**, great-niece of Mable Simmons; **Heather Cole**, sister of Helen Cole Kuhn; **Lila Feary**, aunt of Alexa Crumley; **Larry Ladd**; **Michael Woods**, a colleague at Illinois College; **Nancy Bradbury**; **Rachel Flynn**, neighbor of the Ladd's; **Tim Olson**; **Darrel Hittner**, father of Lisa Wade; **Kevin Brodie**, friend of many at ISD; **Peggy Post**, **Marsha Nelson's mother**; **Richard Mansell**; **Shirley Husa**; **Shelly Cochran**, friend of the Tiffanys; **Lee Spencer**, Clayton's father; **Patsy**, friend of Barb Bucy; **LaNise Kirk**; **Bertha Bucy**, Mike's mother; **Sue Linde**; **Earl Innes**, father of Joy Tiffany; **Linda Noble**, Barb Bucy's sister; **Lori Oldenettel**; **Judy Vieira**; **Wilma Walker**; **Ted and Linda Birdsell**; **Sam and Sue Scheets**; **Mona Cody**; **Karen Ladd**; **the community of Cookeville Tennessee**, the hometown of Stefanie Byrd - Financial Assistant; **Mari and Cornell Kane**; **Ashley Wade**; **Nathan Price**, great-grandson to Evelyn Mason; **Ron York**, Adam's father; **Billy Hollendonner**; **Jennifer Bible**; **Talisa Slade**, daughter of Wanda Cody, our custodian Paul's wife; **Bob Sibert**; **Family and friends** at the death of Devin Fick, relative of the Ott's.

*Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Philippians 4:6-7*

### **A COUPLE OF THINGS THAT WILL HELP YOUR WORSHIP EXPERIENCE:**

Plan to download the bulletins ahead of time. You can print it out, or just have it on your computer to refer to. This will help you more fully participate in the worship service.

- [Easter Sunday, April 12 Bulletin CLICK HERE \(PDF\)](#)
- [Children's April 12 Bulletin CLICK HERE \(PDF\)](#)

A lot of us tend to multitask while in front of a screen, and we encourage you to do your best to be as present as you would be if you be in church. Silence your phones and center your heart on worship. Consider creating a worshipful space around the area where you will be joining in worship. Light a candle and minimize distractions. Children are always welcome at First Presbyterian Church worship services and this is no different. Like we usually have, there will be a special Children's Time during worship. For those with children, consider getting out crayons and other things to keep their hands busy.

**GIVING TO FIRST PRESBYTERIAN** - Don't forget you can always give to support the mission and ministry of FPC, even if you are not physically in worship by simply mailing your check to First Presbyterian Church, 870 W. College Ave. Jacksonville, IL 62650, by setting up "Bill Pay" with your financial institution (if account number is needed use 870-870-870).

**UPCOMING SERVICES** (Watch or listen by using the way listed above)

**Easter Sunday, April 12 - 10:00 am** – recorded live from our church sanctuary (live feed begins at 9:45 am). We have special musical guest: Caleb Holloway! **For the Bulletin CLICK HERE (PDF)**. **For the Children's Bulletin CLICK HERE (PDF)**. Remember, the first Easter didn't happen at a church. It happened outside of an empty tomb, while the disciples were sequestered in a home, grief-stricken, and wondering what was going on. We know the feeling. (*Per State requirements, only worship leaders in building.*)

**Sunday, April 19** - Tim Chipman will be preaching the sermon!

**SUNDAY VIRTUAL COFFEE HOUR** – Immediately following worship on Sunday, we invite everyone to share virtual coffee and donuts via zoom video conference. Join by clicking the link below and follow instructions to open meeting, or by calling the telephone number.

<https://www.google.com/url?q=https://us04web.zoom.us/j/288470660?pwd%3D3DTFFzM2ErakVBSEdMamQ2aVM5aH->

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Call 312-626-6799, enter meeting ID and Password below:

Meeting ID: 288 470 660 Password: 017724

### **EASTER MISSION CHALLENGE:**

**Support our Jacksonville Area Community Food Center** by donating food and medical supplies or giving funds (see below).

**Support the Presbyterian Church Day Care Center** by donating disinfecting wipes, gloves, baby wipes, paper plates, chocolates, and homemade masks.

**Support the Jacksonville Public Schools Foundation** by donating funds for our families who need additional internet and support for school. [CLICK HERE](#) to donate online or send contributions to 211 W. State Street, Jacksonville, IL 62650.

**Spread Christ's hope** to neighbors, friends and others by: drawing/coloring with sidewalk chalk, sending hand-written notes, calling and praying this Easter season (until May 31)

**DONATE FOOD, TOILETRIES AND MEDICAL SUPPLIES** - The City of Jacksonville/Morgan County has established a drop-off location for local residents to donate food, toiletries and medical supplies to aid in community COVID-19 response/ relief. Medical supplies will be pushed out to first responders and health care providers within Morgan County. Curbside service will be provided by the City of Jacksonville staff. Please stay in your car when you arrive. Collection will begin on Monday March 30th, at 9 am and will be reevaluated at the end of each week. **Location:** Jacksonville Area Community Food Center at 316 E. State Street, Jacksonville, IL 62650. Hours: Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to noon.

**Suggested food/toiletries include:** Juice/Gatorade, Canned meats, fruits, beans, vegetables and soups, Ramen noodles, Peanut butter, Cake/brownie/muffin mixes, JELL-O or Pudding, Boxed potato and pasta sides, Breakfast foods (oatmeal, cereal, pancake mix and syrup), Crackers, Rice and beans, Flour and sugar, Sliced bread, Dry soup beans, Instant milk, Margarine, Sliced cheese, Toilet paper, Individual bar soap, Laundry soap.

**Medical Supplies Include:** Boxed, unused N95 masks, Boxed, unused surgical type masks (procedural masks), Wrapped or boxed vinyl gloves (no powder), Clean, unused gowns, Clean, handmade masks, Hand sanitizer, Bleach wipes, Alcohol wipes.

**A DAY CARE UPDATE** - We are currently operating under an emergency license to care for essential worker's and healthcare worker's children. Currently, we are serving 36-43 on a daily basis. We are keeping all staff employed. We are disinfecting everything even more than we did before. If you would like to donate items, we can always use: disinfecting wipes, gloves, baby wipes, paper plates, chocolates to keep the staff sane, and homemade masks (we have instructions available if anyone would like to sew them - we have 35 staff and are soon going to be mandated to wear them - currently we have none). Yesterday, we received five cases of toilet paper, so we are covered there!! Thank you! ~ Kathy Fellhauer

**COMMUNICATION AND GRACE** – Our Elders and Deacons are calling our church family to check-in with you (and your family) and to pray for you. If you have not received a call, please inform the church office [office@firstpresjax.org](mailto:office@firstpresjax.org) or (217) 245-4189. Please be sure to call and check-in with one another, in and beyond our church family. There may be times we don't send information needed, please be patient and offer grace. Please let us know if you have any thoughts or if you need something. This is a difficult and uncertain time, so if you need to talk to someone, please don't hesitate to call your Jonathan Warren (217) 418-3206 or John Nelson (217) 248-0634.

**JOIN OUR NEW FACEBOOK GROUP - PRESBYTERIANS WITH PURPOSE: Sharing Christ's Hope in a Crisis** - During these times of uncertainty and questions, there is hope and comfort in sharing our joys and our disappointments; our blessings and our challenges; our faith and our fears ... together in fellowship with God's grace and mercy. This group page is for you ... and any and all who want or need to connect with others during these times of challenges and questions. We will be sharing reflections and thoughts from several of our church family and friends in hopes that you find comfort in their words. We want this space to be a safe place to ask those questions, share experiences (both good and not-so-good), and find optimism in the reality and facts of this current crisis. This is not a place for political opinions but instead offers an opportunity for reflection and dialogue while facing these challenges. Please share this group with anyone you think might appreciate being included. And remember, we all have a purpose. Being part of a ministry that calls us to enhance our faith, especially in difficult times gives all of us a chance to be and see the light. Bringing Hope...Every Hour. Every Day. [CLICK HERE](https://www.facebook.com/groups/221761382271153/) to go to the Facebook Group (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/221761382271153/>). The Continuing Education Committee also is encouraging "Presbyterians with Purpose" members to continue our Easter Time Inspirations because Easter isn't over on April 12. Easter Season itself is 50 days long, ending on Pentecost, May 31. So, we are inviting all of our church family and friends to submit your own Easter time thoughts and reflections, which may include a scripture and/or prayer through this Facebook page. If you have any questions call Nancy Bork at 217-473-8112 or Marcy Jones at 217-370-3770.