



Lisle

Good Friday
April 18, 2025
6:30 pm



**DIAMOND
LAKE
LUTHERAN
CHURCH**

Welcome to Diamond Lake Lutheran Church!

We are so glad you are here! If you'd like more information about this community of faith, please fill out a Welcome card (found in the pew pockets near the hymnals) and place it in the offering plate or hand it to an usher following worship. Take the Grow card with you if you wish! Please leave your nametag on during the fellowship time.

Children in Worship

Children are encouraged to be present for worship—build-your-own activity bags are located in the narthex, along with children's bulletins. A nursery is located on the lower level if you need it. Please ask an usher for directions. If you are a nursing parent, you are welcome to nurse anywhere. If you would like privacy, there is a nursing room in the nursery downstairs.

Special Assistance

Hearing devices and large print bulletins are available. Please see the ushers for assistance.

Participating in Today's Service

Pastor: Rev. Andrea Roske-Metcalf

Assisting Minister: Kris Pearson

Pianist/Organist: Dr. Kevin Hobbs

Handbell Choir Director: Chuck

Linderkamp

Acolyte: Sue Nelson

Greeters: Cynthia Dickison, Stephanie

Johnson

Reader: Sue Haffield

Ushers: William Johnson, Julie Schmidt

A/V Tech: John Nelson, Frank

Anderson, Matthew Brent

Nursery: Mary Teurman

Pursers: Carissa Brent, Jon Brunsberg

GOOD FRIDAY WORSHIP

A Service of Shadows

We gather in silence this night. We will spend time in prayer, silence, and song as we contemplate Jesus' sacrifice and death which reveal the depth of God's love for us. Some of the songs are meant to be sung several times in repetition, as the words and music become our sung prayer, so allow yourself to sink into the music as we sing. One candle is extinguished during each song.

We invite you to stand in body or in spirit each time the † symbol appears.

PRELUDE

12 Danzas españolas, No. 2, Granados

WORDS OF WELCOME

† GATHERING LITANY (based on Lamentations 1:12)

All you who pass this way

look and see the shadow of sin.

All you who pass this way

look and see the weight of the world.

All you who pass this way

look and see the suffering of our Saviour.

All you who pass this way

look and see the sorrow of Jesus Christ.

Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world.

Amen.

† GATHERING HYMN

Go to Dark Gethsemane.....ELW 347 (v. 1-3)

SERMON ON THE STEPS

THE SHADOW OF CONDEMNATION

READING: LUKE 23:32-34

Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing.” And they cast lots to divide his clothing.

PRAYER

Let us pray.

Forgiving Christ, when the world condemns us, when wrong is done to us, when we carry the weight of things that are too much to forgive, come alongside us in the darkness and give us the grace to be forgiven and forgiving. Amen.

Silence

HYMN

Our Father, We Have Wandered.....ELW 606

THE SHADOW OF SEPARATION

READING: LUKE 23:35-43

And the people stood by watching, but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, “He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!” The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine and saying, “If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!” There was also an inscription over him, “This is the King of the Jews.”

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying,

“Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!” But the other rebuked him, saying, “Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.” Then he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come in your kingdom.” He replied, “Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise.”

PRAYER

Let us pray.

Reconciling Christ, we are weighed down by sin and separation, a world that is not at peace, a people who are not whole. You reached out to the thief, you welcomed him to God’s side. Come alongside us in the darkness and bring grace and peace to everything that is broken. Amen.

Silence

HYMN

Jesus, Remember Me (repeated).....ELW 616

THE SHADOW OF SORROW

READING: JOHN 19:25-27

Meanwhile, standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother’s sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, “Woman, here is your son.” Then he said to the disciple, “Here is your mother.” And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

PRAYER

Let us pray.

Loving Jesus, we carry the weight of the people we love. We are

concerned for their sorrows and suffering. Our care for them is deep, and sometimes there is not much we can do. Come alongside us in the darkness and cradle the ones we love in your strong hands. Amen.

Silence

HYMN

Ah, Holy Jesus.....ELW 349 (v. 1,2,5)

THE SHADOW OF DESPAIR

READING: MARK 15:33-34

When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. 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?"

PRAYER

Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, you know what it is to feel that God is far away. You know what it is to call out for God's presence. Come alongside us in the darkness and help us call out for God. Amen.

Silence

HYMN

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

arr. Nancy A. Norman
Carillon Choir

THE SHADOW OF SUFFERING

READING: JOHN 19:28-30

After this, when Jesus knew that all was now finished, he said (in order to fulfill the scripture), "I am thirsty." A jar full of sour wine was standing there. So they put a

sponge full of the wine on a branch of hyssop and held it to his mouth. When Jesus had received the wine, he said, "It is finished." Then he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

PRAYER

Let us pray.

Suffering Savior, in all our thirst, in all our sickness, in all our longing, in all our pain, you are there. Come alongside us in the darkness and walk with us through all our suffering. Amen.

Silence

HYMN

Beneath the Cross of Jesus.....ELW 338

THE SHADOW OF DEATH

READING: LUKE 23:44-49

It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, while the sun's light failed, and the curtain of the temple was torn in two. Then Jesus, crying out with a loud voice, said, "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit." Having said this, he breathed his last. When the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God and said, "Certainly this man was innocent." And when all the crowds who had gathered there for this spectacle saw what had taken place, they returned home, beating their breasts. But all his acquaintances, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance watching these things.

PRAYER

Let us pray.

Dearest Jesus, even in death you are with us. When we mourn, when we are afraid, when we come to our own end, you have been there too.

**Come alongside us in the darkness and carry us through death to life.
Amen.**

Silence

HYMN

Stay with Me (repeated).....ELW 348

Silence

ANTHEM

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

arr. Matthew Prins
Carillon Choir

Depart in silence.

OFFERING

If you wish to leave an offering for the ministry of this congregation, a basket for this purpose is located in the back or you may give online.

We give thanks for all the ways members and friends of Diamond Lake Lutheran Church contribute to the mission and vision of this congregation—gifts of time, gifts of participation and expertise, as well as finances. Financial gifts to the general fund help to make possible both in-house and outreach ministries, as well as sharing of our resources with the wider community.

Give to the Mission of the Month

A donation to Transmission Ministry Collective helps ensure that transgender Christians have access to a faith community that affirms, uplifts, and walks alongside them. To make a gift to Transmission Ministry Collective, you may write a check payable to Diamond Lake Lutheran Church with “Mission of the Month” in the memo line and drop in an offering plate. Alternately, you may visit “Give Back” page at www.dllc.org or scan the QR Code and choose “Mission of the Month” from the drop-down menu.

To contribute to either the general fund and/or the Mission of the Month, please visit <https://dllc.breezechms.com/give/online> or scan the QR code.



We acknowledge that we gather as Diamond Lake Lutheran Church on the traditional land of the Wahpekute band of the Santee division of the Dakota people past and present.

Our mission: Stirred by the Spirit of Christ to learn, follow, and serve.

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Artist's Statement:



A Wide Embrace

by Lisle Gwynn Garrity

Inspired by Luke 23:32-49

Newspaper & gold leaf collage with digital drawing

I began this image contemplating Jesus' posture on the cross. The crucifix inherently spreads its victims' arms out wide, willing the body into the shape of surrender. There is no fighting back. It forces one to face death with open arms.

As I contemplated this, the iconic image of *Christ the Redeemer* in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, entered my imagination and my sketchpad.¹¹ While the sculpture was commissioned and created for several different reasons, I find it striking that the final design evolved into

Christ with open arms and hands, intended to be a symbol of peace.

In this image, I referenced the *Christ the Redeemer* statue, drawing Jesus' dying position into a posture of warm embrace. I omitted his face in order to focus merely on his arms stretched wide. I repeated this pattern four times, which formed the shape of an open cross. As I worked, I realized the image resembles a cross crosslet, which carries as many varied meanings as the crucifix itself.¹² In this image, my intention is to thwart the brutality and violence of the crucifix with the imagery of a wide embrace, which will soon become a symbol of death-defying resistance.

In the negative space at the center, I placed two sheep. They primarily represent the two men—charged as criminals—who die alongside Jesus on the cross. I depicted them as sheep to recall the parable of the lost sheep (Luke 15:1-7) and to portray them as what they are: vulnerable, desperate, helpless. One turns away; he sees Jesus' surrender on the cross as a pathetic and pointless defeat. The other trusts in the promise and sets his eyes on paradise. The one who turns away symbolizes all of the people who defy Christ at the end: those who cast lots, scoff, and mock him. The one who looks straight at us symbolizes all who remain steadfast: the Centurion, those who beat their chests, and those who stay, watching from a distance.

In the background, you will see glimpses of newspaper headlines and articles collaged together. In response to the noise and violence of this world, this image is a visual prayer for peace.

—Rev. Lisle Gwynn Garrity

