

The Christ Candle is Removed
Moment of Silent reflection
Time of Prayer
Our Profession of Faith The Apostles' Creed

**We Go Out in Confidence, Anticipating Sunday's
Renewal**

The Christ Candle is Restored
Video: It's Friday, But Sunday's Coming

Benediction
Closing Song

Man of Sorrows, What a Name Gray 482:1,3,4

Organ: Tom Molenaar
Music Ministry: Brad Smith (Oboe), Wendy Smith (Piano)



HERITAGE
CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

2857 S. 11th Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49009
heritagecrc.org + 269-372-3830

Welcome to Heritage Church!

We're glad you've come to worship with us! We hope you will experience a warm welcome as we worship God together and embrace the truth of Jesus Christ as our Savior and Lord. We are glad to have you with us and look forward to welcoming you back again soon.

If you would like to know more about what it means to become a follower of Jesus Christ, we encourage you to talk with our pastor or pick up the "Two Ways to Live" pamphlet at the information Center or available at twowaystolive.com

To learn more about Heritage, check out our website or consider attending a class designed to introduce you to who we are and why we are here. Please email us at churchoffice@heritagecrc.org or call the church office to let us know of your interest.

Our Mission

To introduce people to Jesus Christ,
to help them grow to be more like Him,
and then to reproduce the process in others.

Friday, April 18, 2025
Good Friday

GOOD FRIDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

A Tenebrae Service - April 18, 2025

The service of Tenebrae, meaning “darkness” or “shadows”, is a prolonged meditation on Christ’s suffering. Readings trace the story of Christ’s passion, music portrays his sorrow and suffering, and the power of silence suggests the drama of this momentous day. We ponder the depth of Christ’s suffering through mounting darkness; through the return of the persistent flame of the Christ candle at the conclusion of the service, we anticipate the joy of ultimate victory.

We Remember the Shepherd Coming as a Lamb

Words of Welcome

Responsive Reading

What’s happened? Why are you here?

We have come because they have crucified our Lord.

Who has crucified your Lord?

The Roman soldiers, at Pilate’s command, as requested by the Jewish leaders.

But I heard you yell “Crucify!” in the awful silence of your souls.

We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to our own way; and the Lord has laid on him the inequity of us all.

Opening Prayer

*Song

How Deep the Father’s Love For Us

Screens

We Gather at the Table and Share in His Death

Scripture: 2 Corinthians 5:21

Meditation: “The Lamb of God”

The Words of Institution

The Invitation

We Receive the Bread and the Cup

The Bread

The Cup

The Prayer of Dedication

We Reflect on the Cost of the Shepherd Becoming the Lamb

Introduction to the Tenebrae Liturgy

Unattractive and Undesirable

Isaiah 53:2

Matthew 26:3-4, 14-16, 20-30

Silent reflection and the first candle is extinguished

Song Ah, Holy Jesus, How Have You Offended Gray 386:1,2,4

Stricken and Forsaken by God the Shepherd

Isaiah 53:4,6

Mark 14:32-42

Silent reflection and the second candle is extinguished

Music Ministry “What Wondrous Love Is This”

Despised and Rejected by His Sheep

Isaiah 53:3

Matthew 26:59-75

Silent reflection and the third candle is extinguished

Song O Mighty Cross Green 317

Smitten, Afflicted, Pierced

Isaiah 53:5

Mark 15:1-20

Silent reflection and the fourth candle is extinguished

Song O Sacred Head Now Wounded Gray 383

Like a Lamb to the Slaughter

Isaiah 53:7

Matthew 27:33-54

Silent reflection and the fifth candle is extinguished

Music Ministry “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

Into a Nameless Grave

Isaiah 53:8-9

John 19:31-42

Silent reflection and the sixth candle is extinguished

Song Were You There Gray 377:1,2,3