

Shadows of Sacrifice

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Presented by the Chancel Choir

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The Shadow of Betrayal

Matthew 26:20-25

Is it I, Lord?

When it was evening he sat at the table with the twelve.

As they were eating he said, "One of you will betray me."

And sorrowful, they each began to say, "Is it I, Lord? Is it I, Lord?"

O master, tell me, Is it I, Lord? Is it I, Lord? Is it I, Lord?

O tell me, is it I, my Lord? Is it I, Lord?"

The Shadow of Inner Agony

Luke 22:39-44

Remove This Cup

And then he came unto the Mount of Olives, and his disciples, they did follow.

He said, "Pray that you may not meet temptation."

And he withdrew from them and knelt and prayed,

"Father, if thou art willing, Father, if thou art willing,

Remove this cup, remove this cup from me!

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Remove this cup, remove this cup from me!

Yet, not my will, not my will, but thine be done.

Not my will, but thine be done."

And there appeared to him an angel who gave strength to uplift him.

And being in agony he prayed again,

And his sweat drops became as blood upon the ground.

The Shadow of Loneliness

Matthew 26:40-45

'Tis Midnight

'Tis midnight and on Olive's brow the star is dimmed that lately shone.

'Tis midnight in the garden now, the suffering Savior prays alone.

'Tis midnight and for other's guilt, the Man of Sorrows weeps in blood.

Yet he who hath in anguish knelt is not forsaken by his God.

'Tis midnight and from heav'nly plains is borne the song that angels know.

Unheard by mortals are the strains that sweetly soothe the Savior's woe,

Sweetly soothe the Savior's woe, sweetly soothe the Savior's woe.

The Shadow of Desertion

Matthew 26:48-50

Friend, Why Are You Here?

Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying,

"The one I kiss is the man. Seize him!"

And he came to Jesus and said, "Hello Master!" and he kissed him.

And Jesus said, "Friend, why are you here?"

Friend, why are you here? Friend, why are you here?"

And then they came up and laid their hands on Jesus and seized him.

The Shadow of Accusation

Mark 15:8-15

Father, Forgive Them

And when they came to the place called The Skull,

There they crucified him, and the criminals, one on the right and one on the left.

And Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, Father, forgive them.

Father, forgive them for they know not what they do.

Father, forgive them for they know not what they do.

Father, forgive them, Father, forgive them,

Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do."

Choir and Congregation

Were You There?

Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.

Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

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Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble?

The Shadow of Death

Luke 23:47-78

O Thou Who Through This Holy Week

O thou who through this holy week did suffer for us all,

The sick to heal, lost to seek, to raise up them that fall.

We cannot understand the woe thy love was pleased to bear.

O Lamb of God, we only know that all our hopes are there.

Thy feet the path of suffering trod, thy hand the vict'ry won.

What shall we render to our God for all that he has done?

'Tis Finished, the Messiah Dies

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Cut off for sins, but not his own.

Accomplished is the sacrifice.

The great redeeming work is done.