



April 7, 2023

**Unitarian Universalist
Society of Geneva**

Tenebrae Service

Today's Worship Team

In the Pulpit: Rev. Scot Hull

Worship Associate: Deb Brod

Readers: Rhonda Robinson, David deCoriolis, Deb Brod

Technical Directors: Jeff Stibal, Gina Grupe-Stibal, Caroline Pickett, Scott Dotson

Musicians: Elena Spiegel, Sophia Spiegel, Cynthia Spiegel,
and Tom Zimmerman

Order of Worship

Ringing the Bell

Introit: *O Pastor animarum*, Hildegard von Bingen
O Shepherd of Souls
And o first voice
Through whom all creation was summoned,
Now to you,
To you may it give pleasure and dignity
To liberate us
From our miseries and languishing.

Welcoming Words

Interlude: *Sonata in B minor*, Domenico Scarlatti

Reading: "Maundy Thursday," by Clark Wells

Reading: "A Blessing for Traveling in the Dark," by Jan Richardson

Singing Meditation: *De Noche*, Jaques Berthier
By night we hasten in darkness
To search for living water.
Only our thirst leads us onward,
Only our thirst leads us onward.

Reading: "At Some Time," by Rebecca Bryan

Reading: "The Way Out," by Kathy Hurt

Singing Meditation: *Fear Not the Pain*, text by Rainer Maria Rilke, music by Rachel Pollak Kroc
Fear not the pain.
Let its weight fall back into the earth;
For heavy are the mountains,
Heavy are the seas.

First Gospel Reading: Mark, from 14:32

Musical Reflection: *When Jesus Wept*, William Billings, arr. Peter Paul Olejar

Second Gospel Reading: Mark, from 15:1

Musical Reflection: *The Crucifixion*, Samuel Barber

At the cry of the first bird
They began to crucify thee, o swan.
Never shall lament cease because of that;
It was like the parting of day from night.
Ah, sore was the suffering born
By the body of Mary's son.
But sorer still to him was the grief,
Which for his sake came upon his mother.

Third Gospel Reading: Mark, from 15:33

Musical Reflection: *Wondrous Love*, Southern Harmony tune, arr. Duane Funderburk

A Prayer for When Words Fail

Candles of Remembrance

Hymn of Comfort: *Comfort Me*

Comfort me, oh my soul
Sing with me...
Speak for me...
Comfort me...

Reading: "From Beginning to End," by Robert Fulgham

Reading: "The Last Good Days," by Lynn Unger

Sending Music: *Awaiting Dawn*, Ola Gjeilo

Conclusion: "Litany for the Shadows"



**Thank you for joining us this evening. May you have a most happy
and blessed Easter!**

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