

The Second Light -- The Darkness of Desertion

Leader: Jesus said to them, "You will all fall away because of me this night."

All: Though they all fall away because of you, I will never fall away.

Leader: Jesus said to them, "Truly I say to you, this very night before the cock crows you will deny me three times."

All: Even if I must die with you, I will not deny you.

Choir: Ich bins, ich sollte büßen J. S. Bach

THE SECOND CANDLE IS EXTINGUISHED

The Third Light -- Agony of the Spirit

Choir: Ich will hier bei dir stehen J. S. Bach

THE THIRD CANDLE IS EXTINGUISHED

The Fourth Light -- The Darkness of Misunderstanding

Scripture Reading Mark 14:3-6

THE FOURTH CANDLE IS EXTINGUISHED

The Fifth Light -- The Darkness of Broken Trust

Leader: His disciples said, "Ah, now you are speaking plainly, not in any figure! Now we know that you know all things, and need none to question you; by this we believe that you came from God." Jesus answered, "Do you now believe? The hour is coming, indeed it has come, when you will be scattered, all to their home, and will leave me alone."

All: Lord, when have we left you alone?

Leader: "I am not alone, for the Father is with me. I have said this to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world, you have tribulation. But be of good cheer. I have overcome the world."

All: Lord, when have we left you alone?

Hymn: HWB (blue) #247 "Jesus, remember me" (2 times)

THE FIFTH CANDLE IS EXTINGUISHED

The Sixth Light -- The Darkness of Disunity

A Litany for Unity

Leader: Lord, we are all your servants here, all striving to be united in Christ, yet unable to unite with each other. We are able to read and speak the words of Paul:

All: "Do your best to preserve the unity which the Spirit gives, by the peace that binds you together. There is one body and one spirit, just as there is one hope to which God has called you. There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism. There is one God and Father of all people, who is the Lord of all, works through all and is in all."

Leader: But the meaning of the words is lost in our disputes over our differences. We have spent many years pointing out how each group differs from the other. Let us now give equal time to our similarities.

All: We follow Christ that we might find you God. He is the path you set for us to walk, but we cannot tread that path alone.

Leader: We need guidance from you and from each other.

All: We follow the same path, the same teacher, the same God. Help us to respect our differences and work toward the oneness that we have in Christ Jesus, our Lord.

Leader: But Lord, we are not there yet.

THE SIXTH CANDLE IS EXTINGUISHED