**Worship from Home**

**First Congregational Church of Blue Hill, UCC**

**Maundy Thursday Service April 14, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.**

Welcome! We are glad to have you worshiping with us this evening.

**Call to Worship & Blessings of Communion Elements**

*Pastor Lisa*

**Monologue: The Shadow of Betrayal – Judas**

(*Based on Mt.26:20-25*)

Lord, have mercy

**Christ, have mercy**

Lord, have mercy.

*Judas extinguishes the first candle.*

***The Chimes Choir: “Doloroso"***

**Monologue: The Shadow of Inner Agony – Salome (The Mother of James and John)**

(*Based on Lk.22:39-46*)

Lord, have mercy

**Christ, have mercy**

Lord have mercy

*Salome extinguishes the second candle.*

***The congregation sings:* Wait for the Lord, whose day near. Wait for the Lord; keep watch; take heart.**

**Monologue: The Shadow of Desertion – John**

 (*Based on Mt.26:47-50;55-56*)

Lord, have mercy

**Christ, have mercy**

Lord, have mercy

*John extinguishes the third candle.*

***FCCBH Musical Consort: “O Sacred Head, Now Wounded”***

**Monologue: The Shadow of Denial – Peter**

(*Based on Mt.26:31-35*)

Lord, have mercy

**Christ, have mercy**

Lord, have mercy

*Peter extinguishes the fourth candle.*

***The congregation sings:* Wait for the Lord, whose day is near. Wait for the Lord; keep watch; take heart.**

**Monologue: The Shadow of Accusation – Mary Magdalene**

(*Based on Mt.26:59-67*)

Lord, have mercy

**Christ, have mercy**

Lord, have mercy

*Mary Magdalene extinguishes the fifth candle.*

***FCCBH Musical Consort: “Ah, Holy Jesus”***

**Monologue: The Shadow of Mockery – Thomas**

(*Based on Mk.15:12-20*)

Lord, have mercy

**Christ, have mercy**

Lord, have mercy

*Thomas extinguishes the sixth candle.*

***The congregation sings:* Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God’s holy name. Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life.**

**Monologue: The Shadow of Death – Mary, the Mother of Jesus** (*Based on Lk.23:33-46*)

Lord, have mercy

**Christ, have mercy**

Lord, have mercy

*Mary extinguishes the seventh candle.*

***A Duet: “Pie Jesu,” by Andrew Lloyd Webber***

*A moment of silence is observed in the darkness.*

*Mary continues:*

*Mary relights the central candle.*

***The congregation sings*: In the Lord I’ll be ever thankful. In the Lord, I will rejoice. Look to God, do not be afraid. Lift up your voices, the Lord is near. (x2)**

***Lisa: We invite you now to come forward to receive communion. You will each take a piece of bread and cup. Following communion, you may remain in the sanctuary for silent prayer, if you would like, or you may leave in silence.***

***Facing the Shadows – A Tenebrae Drama © John van de Laar***

Many thanks to our Chimes Choir and Musical Consort, to Sarah Schneider and Ann Boudreaux, and to our readers: Ruth Ryan as Judas, Gina Grogean as Salome, Charlie Ferden as John, Rick Alexander as Peter, BJ Harris as Mary Magdalene, Bill MacDowell as Thomas, and Karen Frangoulis as Mary, the Mother of Jesus.