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TENEBRAE

for Orchestra



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This work is dedicated to the memory of my grandfather, Nandy.

This work was commissioned by the CCM Concert Orchestra to be performed on April 11, 2019, conducted by Prof. Jiannan Cheng.

Duration: approximately 18 minutes

INSTRUMENTATION

3 Flutes (3rd = Piccolo)
3 Oboes (3rd = English Horn)
3 Clarinets (1st and 2nd = B♭, 3rd = E♭)
3 Bassoons (3rd = Contrabassoon)

4 F Horns
3 C Trumpets
2 Trombones
1 Bass Trombone
1 Tuba

Timpani

4 Percussionists (Vibraphone, Crotales,
Whip, Bass Drum, Xylophone)

Piano

Strings

PERFORMANCE INSTRUCTIONS

All accidentals remain for the rest of the bar in which they appear, applying only to the designated octave.

The *senza misura* sections are not to be conducted. They are notated in a free meter designed to help soloists simulate the rhythms of plainchant. Thus all rhythmic values given in these sections are approximate (rhythms throughout the rest of the work are to be played as notated).

The dotted barlines denote the conductor's beats which should be for soloists or small group only, not the entire orchestra. Normal musical time is resumed with the words "in time," at which a large downbeat may be given for the orchestra.

PROGRAM NOTE

For he shall grow up before him as a tender plant, and as a root out of a dry ground: he hath no form nor comeliness; and when we shall see him, there is no beauty that we should desire him.

He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were our faces from him; he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted.

But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.

He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth: he is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he openeth not his mouth.

—Isaiah 53:2-5, 7 (KJV)

Tenebrae for Orchestra is an extended meditation on the above text as well as on the beautiful Gregorian setting of it in the plainchant *Ecce vidimus eum*, from

the Tenebrae service of Maundy Thursday during Holy Week. The text speaks of a "lamb who opened not his mouth," which I found evocative musically, and I was particularly drawn to the connection between scourging and healing. The whip strokes violently interrupt the music several times until being subsumed into a slow, upward ascension to heaven. The piece is a long, darkness-to-light sort of journey, the darkest F phrygian eventually to E minor and finally E major. I was captivated by the picture of Jesus still there, innocent, silently enduring the beating and the whipping and the oppression and hatred and scorn, still there despite the worst, never opening His mouth, receiving it all fully, but with an inner light that the darkness can never reach and which eventually triumphs over it.

My grandfather—we called him Nandy—died last year, and his favorite passage was always this one: "and by His stripes, we were healed." This work is dedicated to his memory.

in memoriam Nandy
TENEBRAE

GARRETT MICHAEL GEORGE

A

Maestoso $\text{J} = 60$ rit. a tempo
 with great sadness

Piccolo
 Flutes 1.2
 Oboes 1.2
 English Horn
 Clarinet in Eb
 Clarinets in Bb 1.2
 Bassoon 1
 Bassoon 2
 Contrabassoon
 Horns in F 1.2
 Trombones 1.2
 Bass Trombone
 Tuba
 Timpani
 Percussion 1-4
 Piano

Maestoso $\text{J} = 60$ rit. a tempo
 with great sadness

Violin I
 Violin II
 Viola
 Violoncello divisi
 Contrabass

allarg.

B Piu mosso

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Picc.

Fl. 1.2

Ob. 1.2

Eng. Hn.

Eb Cl.

Bb Cl. 1.2

Bsn.

Cbsn.

Hn. in F

Tpt. 1.2.3 in C

Tbn. 1.2

B. Tbn.

Tba.

Timpani

Perc.

Pno.

Vn. I

Vn. II

Va.

Vc.

Cb.

allarg.

B Piu mosso

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C Poco meno mosso

rall.

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Picc. Fl. 1.2 Ob. 1.2 E♭ Cl. B♭ Cl. 1.2 Bsn. 1.2 Cbsn. Hn. in F 3.4 Tpt. 1.2.3 in C Tbn. 1.2 B. Tbn. Tba. Timp. Perc. 1 2 3 4 Pno.

Piccolo, Flute 1.2, Oboe 1.2, Eb Clarinet, Bb Clarinet 1.2, Bassoon 1.2, Bassoon/Corno di Bassetto, Horn in F, Trombone 3.4, Trompette 1.2.3 in C, Trombone 1.2, Bass Trombone, Tuba, Timpani, Percussion (4 sets), Piano.

C Poco meno mosso

rall.

Vn. I Vn. II Va. Vc. Cb.

Violin I, Violin II, Viola, Cello, Double Bass.

14

pp *mp* delicately *p*

mp delicately *p*

mp delicately *p*

mp delicately *p*

pizz. *mp* delicately *arco*

Measure 14: Piccolo, Flute 1.2, Oboe 1.2, Eb Clarinet, Bb Clarinet 1.2 play eighth-note patterns. Bassoon 1.2, Bassoon/Corno di Bassetto play sustained notes. Horn in F, Trombone 3.4, Trompette 1.2.3 in C, Trombone 1.2, Bass Trombone, Tuba, Timpani, Percussion (4 sets) play sustained notes. Piano plays eighth-note patterns. Measure 15: Violin I, Violin II, Viola, Cello, Double Bass play eighth-note patterns. Double Bass uses pizzicato technique.

D *Largo espressivo* $\text{♩} = 60$

E *Fugato. Lento* $\text{♩} = 72$ *poco rit.*

rit.

D *Largo espressivo* $\text{♩} = 60$

E *Fugato. Lento* $\text{♩} = 72$ *poco rit.*

rit.

F **A tempo**

G

H

Picc.

Fl. 1.2

Ob. 1.2

E \flat Cl.

B \flat Cl. 1.2

Bsn. 1.2

Cbsn.

1.2 Hn. in F

3.4

Tpt. 1.2.3 in C

Tbn. 1.2

B. Tbn.

Tba.

Timp.

1

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Perc.

3

4

Pno.

F **A tempo**

G

H

Vn. I

Vn. II

Va.

Vc.

Cb.

1. solo *mf* cresc.

1. *mf* cresc.

2. *mf* cresc.

fp *mf* cresc.

mf cresc.

53

I **Tempo I° (Maestoso $\text{♩} = 60$)**

Crotales l.v.

Perc.

Pno.

Tempo I° (Maestoso $\text{♩} = 60$)

I unis., marcato div. non vibr. unis., ord.

Vn. I **f** apass. **sf** — sub. **sfz** **f** ³

Vn. II **mf** **div.** **unis., marcato** **div. a 3,** non vibr. **unis., ord.**

Va. **mf** **div.** **unis., marcato** **div. a 3,** non vibr. **unis., ord.**

Vc. **mf** **div.** **unis., marcato** **div.** non vibr. **unis., ord.**

Cb. **mf** **div.** **unis., marcato** **div.** sub. **sfz** **f**

J Andante con moto $\text{♩} = 72$

63

Picc.

Fl. 1.2

Ob. 1.2

Eng. Hn.

Eb Cl.

Bb Cl. 1.2

Bsn. 1.2

Cbsn.

Hn. in F

3.4

Tpt. 1.2.3 in C

Tbn. 1.2

B. Tbn.

Tba.

Timp.

Perc.

Pno.

J Andante con moto $\text{♩} = 72$

63

Vn. I

Vn. II

Va.

Vc.

Cb.

K

78

Picc.

Fl. 1.2

Ob. 1.2

E♭ Cl.

B♭ Cl. 1.2

Bsn. 1.2

Cbsn.

L

Hn. in F

Tpt. 1.2.3 in C

Tbn. 1.2

B. Tbn.

Tba.

Tim.

M

Vibraphone con pedale I.v. I.v. to Xylophone

p

Perc.

Pno.

Vn. I unis., ord. *mp espr.*

Vn. II *mp espr.*

Va. unis., ord. *mp espr.*

Vc. unis., ord. *mp espr.*

Cb. *mp espr.*

N **O** **P**

98

Picc.

Fl. 1.2

Ob. 1.2

E♭ Cl.

B♭ Cl. 1.2

Bsn. 1.2

Cbsn.

Hn. in F 1.2

3.4

Tpt. 1.2.3 in C

Tbn. 1.2

B. Tbn.

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. 1

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Pno.

Vn. I

Vn. II

Va.

Vc.

Cb.

98

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Q **R** **S**

Picc.

Fl. 1.2

Ob. 1.2

Eb Cl.

Bb Cl. 1.2

Bsn. 1.2

Cbsn.

Hn. in F

3.4

Tpt. 1.2.3 in C

Tbn. 1.2

B. Tbn.

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Perc. 4

Pno.

Vn. I

Vn. II

Va.

Vc.

Cb.

137

T U

Picc.

Fl. 1.2

Ob. 1.2

Eng. Hn.

Eb Cl.

Bb Cl. 1.2

Bsn. 1.2

Cbsn.

Hn. in F

Tpt. 1.2.3
in C

Tbn. 1.2

B. Tbn.

Tba.

Timp.

Perc.

Pno.

Vn. I

Vn. II

Va.

Vc.

Cb.

1. solo
mp molto legato e espr.

1. solo
mp molto legato e espr.

mp legato

2.
1. solo
mp molto legato e espr.

3.4

p. *mp* *p.* *mp*

137

T U

mp

mp

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V

Picc.

Fl. 1.2

Ob. 1.2

Eng. Hn.

E♭ Cl.

B♭ Cl. 1.2

Bsn. 1.2

Cbsn.

Hn. in F

Tpt. 1.2.3
in C

Tpt. in C 1

pt. in C 2.3

Tbn. 1.2

B. Tbn.

Tba.

Timp.

Perc.

Pno.

Vn. I

Vn. II

Va.

Vc.

Cb.

W

Picc. *mf* *sfz*

Fl. 1.2 *mf* *sfz*

Ob. 1.2 *sfz*

Eng. Hn. *sfz*

E♭ Cl. *sfz*

B♭ Cl. 1.2 *mf* *sfz*

Bsn. 1.2 *sfz*

Cbsn. *mf* *sf* *sfz* *harm. gliss.*

Hn. in F 1.2 *sf* *sfz*

Tpt. in C 1 3.4 *sf* *sfz*

Tpt. in C 2.3 *sf* *sfz*

Tbn. 1.2 *sf* *sfz*

B. Tbn. *sf* *sfz*

Tba. *sf* *sfz*

Timp. *sf* *sfz*

Perc. 1
Perc. 2
Perc. 3
Perc. 4

Pno. *sf*

W

Vn. I *mf* *sfz*

Vn. II *unis., arco* *sf* *mf* *sfz*

Va. *sfz*

Vc. *div.* *f* *sfz*

Cb. *sf* *sfz*

molto rit. *sfz*

molto rit. *sfz*

TENEBRAE - Full Score (Transposed)

X *A tempo (♩ = 72)*

Picc. *ff molto apassionato e lyrico*

Fl. 1.2 *ff molto apassionato e lyrico*

Ob. 1.2 *ff molto apassionato e lyrico*

Eng. Hn. *ff molto apassionato e lyrico*

E♭ Cl. *ff molto apassionato e lyrico*

B♭ Cl. 1.2 *ff molto apassionato e lyrico*

Bsn. 1.2 *ff*

Cbsn. *ff*

Hn. in F 1.2 *ff molto apassionato e lyrico*

Tpt. 1.2.3 in C 3.4 *ff molto apassionato e lyrico*

Tpt. in C 1 *sf sf sf*

Tpt. in C 2.3 *sfz*

Tbn. 1.2 *ff*

B. Tbn. *ff*

Tba. *ff*

Tim. *ff*

Crotale

1

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Perc. 3

4

Xylophone

Whip

Bass Drum

Pno. *ff*

8vb

A tempo (♩ = 72)

Vn. I (8^{va}) *ff molto apassionato e lyrico*

Vn. II *ff molto apassionato e lyrico*

Va. *ff molto apassionato e lyrico*

Vc. *ff*

Cb. *ff*

div.

unis.

div.

div.

div. a 3

non vibr.

sfz

div. a 3, non vibr.

non vibr.

sfz

non vibr.

sfz

199

Picc.

Fl. 1.2

Ob. 1.2

Eng. Hn.

E♭ Cl.

B♭ Cl. 1.2

Bsn. 1.2

Cbsn.

Hn. in F

Tpt. 1.2.3 in C

Tbn. 1.2

B. Tbn.

Tba.

Timp.

Perc.

Pno.

Vn. I

Vn. II

Va.

Vc.

Cb.

div., non vibr.

div. a 3, non vibr.

div. a 3, non vibr.

div., non vibr.

div., non vibr.

l.v.

senza misura

Z ①

AA in time Tempo 1° ($\downarrow = 60$)

BB ①

CC Tempo 1° ($\downarrow = 60$)

Picc.

Fl. 1.2

1 Fl.

2 Fl.

Ob. 1.2

Eng. Hn.

E♭ Cl.

B♭ Cl. 1.2

Bsn. 1.2

Cbsn.

Hn. in F

Tpt. 1.2.3 in C

Tbn. 1.2

B. Tbn.

Tba.

Timp.

Perc.

Pno.

senza misura

Z ①

AA in time Tempo 1° ($\downarrow = 60$)

BB ①

CC Tempo 1° ($\downarrow = 60$)

Vn. I

Vn. II

Va.

Vc.

Cb.

senza misura

215 **DD** ① ② ③ ④

senza misura

215 **DD** ① ② ③ ④

Picc.

Fl. 1.2

Ob. 1.2

Eng. Hn.

Eb Cl.

Bb Cl. 1.2

Bsn. 1.2

Cbsn.

Hn. in F

3.4

Tpt. 1.2.3
in C

Tbn. 1.2

B. Tbn.

Tba.

Tim.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Perc. 4

Pno.

Vn. I

Vn. II

Va.

Vc.

Cb.

= ca. 68
1. solo

= ca. 112
solo

molto espr. e rubato

molto espr. e rubato

molto accel. molto rit.

mp

p

pp

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Picc. -

Fl. 1.2 -

Ob. 1.2 *p* *sf* *molto accel.* *rit.* *mp* *mf* *poco rit.* *mf*

Eng. Hn. *p* *espr.* *sf* *p* *mp* *p* *mf*

E♭ Cl. -

B♭ Cl. 1.2 -

Bsn. 1.2 -

Cbsn. -

Hn. in F 1.2 -

Tpt. 1.2.3 in C 3.4 -

Tbn. 1.2 -

B. Tbn. -

Tba. -

Timp. - *p*

Perc. 1 -

Perc. 2 -

Perc. 3 -

Perc. 4 -

Pno. -

Vn. I 229 -

Vn. II -

Va. -

Vc. *mf* *div.*

Cb. -

in time
(♩ = 60)

EE senza misura

237

Picc.

Fl. 1.2

Ob. 1.2

Eng. Hn.

Eb Cl.

Bb Cl. 1.2

Bsn. 1.2

Cbsn.

Hn. in F

Tpt. 1.2.3 in C

Tbn. 1.2

B. Tbn.

Tba.

Tim.

Perc.

Pno.

Vn. I

Vn. II

Va.

Vc.

Cb.

EE senza misura

237

div. a 3, sul tasto

pp

div. a 3, sul tasto

pp

EE senza misura

244

Picc.

Fl. 1.2

Ob. 1.2

Eng. Hn.

E♭ Cl.

B♭ Cl. 1.2

Bsn. 1.2

Cbsn.

Hn. in F

Tpt. 1.2.3
in C

Tbn. 1.2

B. Tbn.

Tba.

Timp.

Perc.

Pno.

Vn. I

Vn. II

Va.

Vc.

Cb.

4

5

6

7

molto accel.

rit.

sf

p

mp

mf

mp

p

espr.

FF **Tempo 1° (♩ = 60)**

GG

248 8 9

Picc.

Fl. 1.2

Ob. 1.2

poco rit.

Eng. Hn.

E♭ Cl.

B♭ Cl. 1.2

Bsn. 1.2

Cbsn.

Hn. in F

Tpt. 1.2.3 in C

Tbn. 1.2

B. Tbn.

Tba.

Tim.

Perc.

Pno.

Vn. I

Vn. II

Va.

Vc.

Cb.

FF **Tempo 1° (♩ = 60)**

GG

248 8 9

Vn. I

Vn. II

Va.

Vc.

Cb.

HH

Picc.

Fl. 1.2

Ob. 1.2

Eng. Hn.

E♭ Cl.

B♭ Cl. 1.2

Bsn. 1.2

Cbsn.

II

mf esp. *a 2*

JJ

mf esp. *a 2*

1.2

Hn. in F

3.4

Tpt. 1.2.3 in C

Tbn. 1.2

B. Tbn.

Tba.

Tim.

Perc.

1

2

3

4

Pno.

HH

Vn. I

Vn. II

Va.

Vc.

Cb.

II

unis.

unis. *div.* *unis.*

JJ

KK

271

Picc. Fl. 1.2 Ob. 1.2 Eng. Hn. Eb Cl. Bb Cl. 1.2 Bsn. 1.2 Cbsn.

LL solo *f espri.* *f espri.* *f espri.*

Hn. in F Tpt. 1.2.3 in C Tbn. 1.2 B. Tbn. Tba. Timp.

mp cresc. *mp cresc.* *pp* *molto* *f brillante* *f brillante* *f brillante* *sf* *sfz* *fp*

Perc. 1 2 3 4

Pno.

Vn. I

Vn. II

Va.

Vc.

Cb.

KK

LL *fp* *fp* *fp*

MM Largo e molto cantabile ♩ = 52

281

Picc.

Fl. 1.2 *solo* *f espres.* *sf*

Ob. 1.2

Eng. Hn.

E♭ Cl. *solo* *f espres.* *sf*

B♭ Cl. 1.2

Bsn. 1.2

Cbsn.

Hn. in F *fp*

Tpt. 1.2.3 in C *fp*

Tbn. 1.2 *fp*

B. Tbn.

Tba.

Timp.

Perc.

Pno.

Vn. I *fp*

Vn. II *fp*

Va.

Vc.

Cb.

MM Largo e molto cantabile ♩ = 52

281

Vn. I *fp*

Vn. II *fp*

Va. *tutti* *f* *sf* *3*

Vc. *tutti* *f* *sf* *3*

Cb. *mp dolce* *poco*

OO

molto rit.

PP A tempo ($\text{♩} = 52$)

301

Picc.

Fl. 1.2

Ob. 1.2

Eng. Hn.

E♭ Cl.

B♭ Cl. 1.2

Bsn. 1.2

Cbsn.

Hn. in F

Tpt. 1.2.3
in C

Tbn. 1.2

B. Tbn.

Tba.

Timp.

Perc.

Pno.

Vn. I

Vn. II

Va.

Vc.

Cb.

OO

molto rit.

PP A tempo ($\text{♩} = 52$)

301

Vn. I

Vn. II

Va.

Vc.

Cb.