Good Enough

Visual and Media Arts Ideas for Holy Week



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Holy Week Photos and Video Demonstration

To help you prepare for your Holy Week services with “Good Enough,” we did another photo shoot just to give you some ideas for Maundy Thursday and Good Friday. The photos have been added to our collection of homemade stock photos for the series that you are welcome to use in your projection media and social media posts, or just to inspire your own visuals.

Check out this video to see and hear commentary from Marcia about ideas for your installation! And see the next pages for photos and details.

You’ll notice that cross-boards were added to the ladder at various intervals (not every rung so as to leave one shelf that could have taller things on it), and the ladder was turned sideways, adding to the surface area and changing up the look a bit for Holy Week. You will adapt your ladders depending on what kind you used. The point is to create a slightly different (embellished) look, no matter how you do it.



Maundy Thursday

If you have been using our ladder garden idea throughout Lent and adding plants each week, you can still leave all that up and incorporate some new elements to reflect the shift in the story during Holy Week. Maybe you added palms on week 6 for Palm/Passion Sunday, and the installation looked full and ecstatic with the energy of Jesus' parade into Jerusalem. Now you'll be dimming the lights, adding rich purple hues, and other ritual elements to introduce a heavier tone.



In this photo, you can see that we've added battery-operated candles, which lend a nice touch with soft lighting, and are ideal for placing on the ladder since you wouldn't want open flames perched precariously over the elements!

Here is the link to purchase the LED lights that Marcia used for creating that lush purple glow. ***Disclaimer:*** At the time of this writing, that exact product seems to be sold out, but if you scroll down the page, you can view similar product options from the Novostella store and other sources that would accomplish the same goal.



Pictured below is a bowl with water and towel for foot washing (you could have one for display only and set up other stations around the space, depending on how many people you have in attendance and what your setup is going to be).

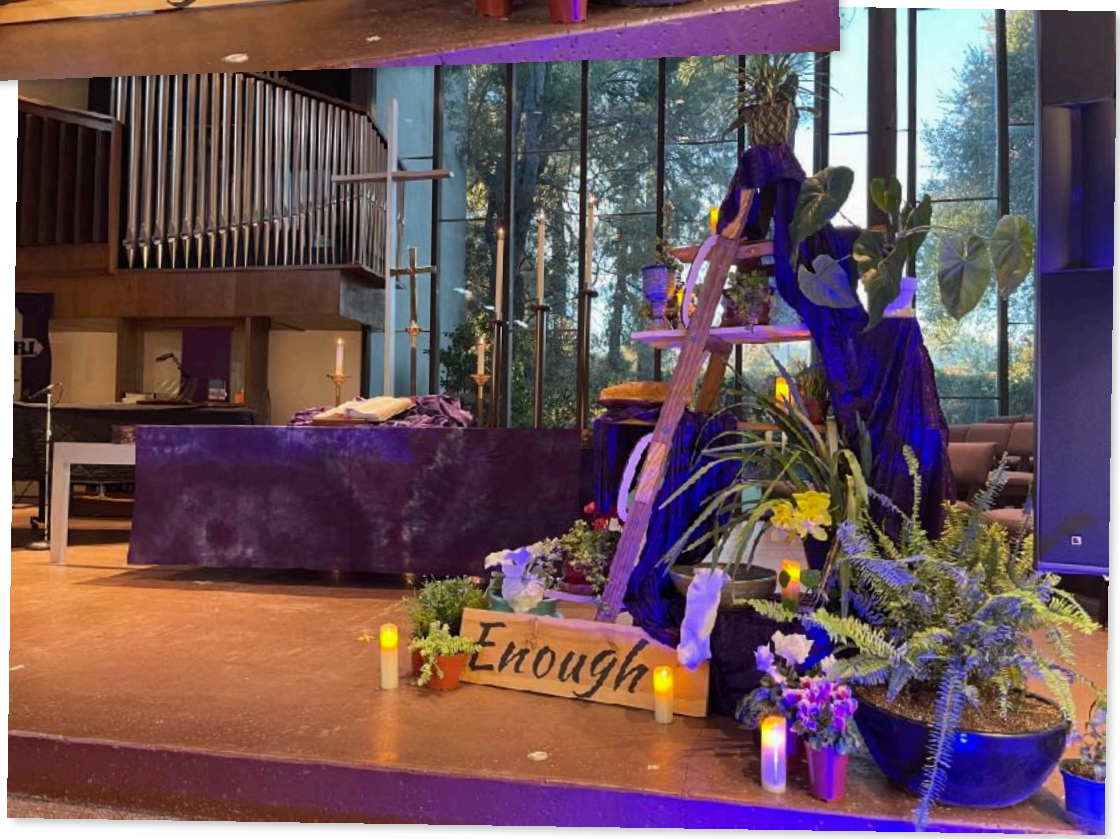


Here’s a photo showing the communion elements that you could also include in the installation.



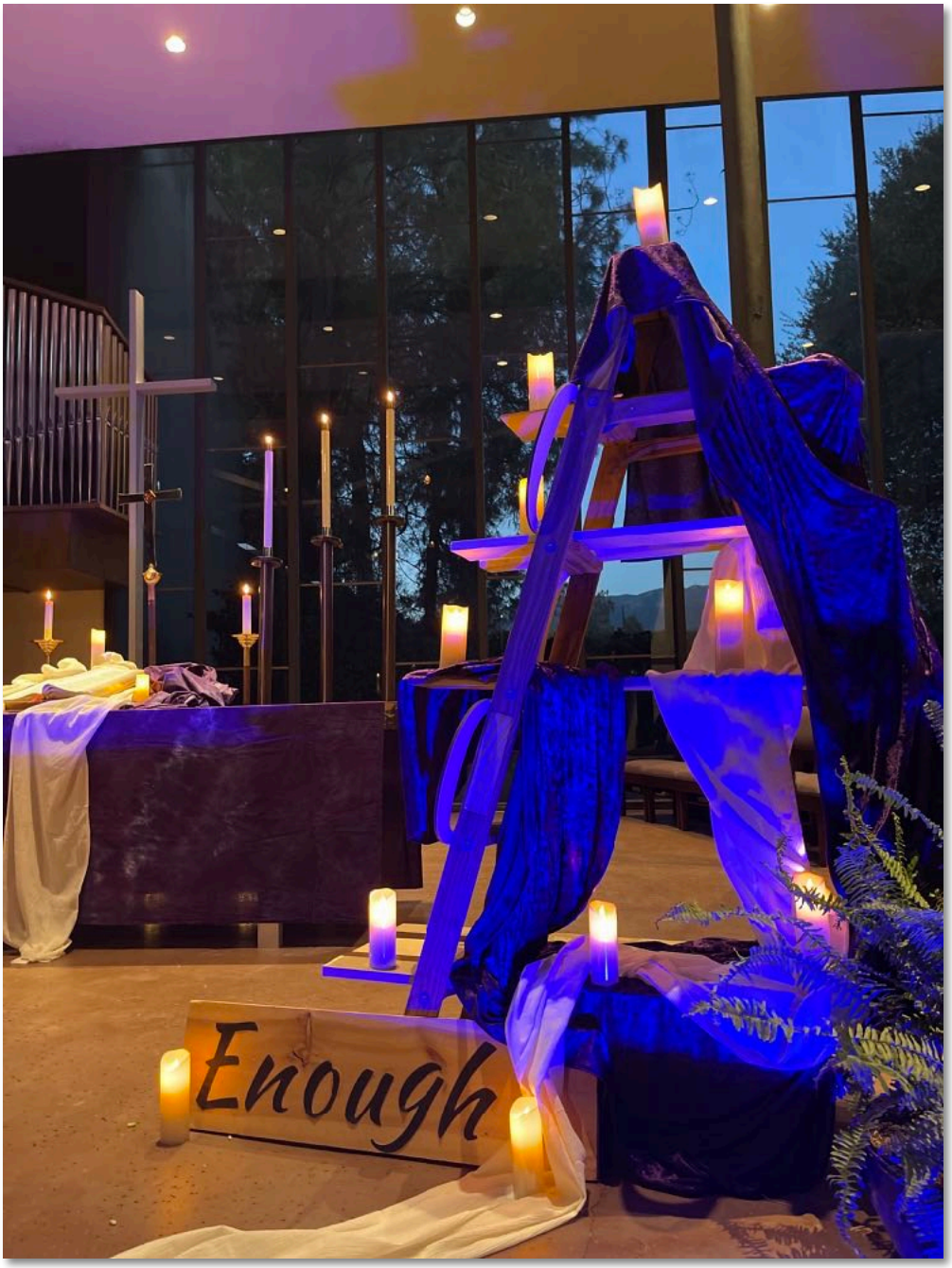
Another couple of views of the full display for Maundy Thursday:





Good Friday

For Good Friday, we decided to remove all the plants from the ladder garden and drape a white gauze fabric to evoke the theme of preparation for burial.



Another couple of photos:





If you choose to do the full Tenebrae service that we have provided in the Good Friday script and include the “Wrapped in Cloths of Care” burial ritual, you could set up another station similar to the one pictured below as the location for inviting participants to join in that closing part of the service. This station has the plants arranged in a kind of “garden” area, but the visual tone is still quite somber and reflective.

