

Maundy Thursday

April 1, 2021



1 Corinthians 11:26

For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Worship Participants

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Gathering

"It was just before the Passover Feast.

Jesus knew that the time had come for him to leave this world and go to the Father."

John 13:1a

Prelude: "From Jewish Life: Prayer"

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Welcome

Prayer of Preparation

*Call to Worship

In remembrance, we gather:

to be with the One who teaches us the meaning of faithfulness.

In remembrance, we worship:

lifting our voices to the One who calls us to love one another.

In remembrance, we feast:

breaking the Bread which makes us whole,

drinking the Cup which fills us with grace.

*Song: "Wonderful, Merciful Savior"

**1. Wonderful, merciful Savior, precious Redeemer and Friend;
Who would have thought that a Lamb could rescue the souls of men?
Oh, You rescue the souls of men.**

Chorus:

**You are the One that we praise, You are the One we adore.
You give the healing and grace our hearts always hunger for,
oh, our hearts always hunger for.**

**2. Counselor, Comforter, Keeper, Spirit we long to embrace;
You offer hope when our hearts have hopelessly lost the way,
oh, we hopelessly lost the way. (to chorus)**

**3. Almighty, infinite Father, faithfully loving Your own;
here in our weakness You find us falling before Your throne,
oh, we're falling before Your throne. (to chorus)**

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*God's Greeting

*Song: "Were You There"

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Sharing the Bread and Cup: "In My Father's Kingdom"

The Thanksgiving

Sending

*Song: "Ah, Holy Jesus, How Have You Offended"

*Benediction

**A bell rings 33 times for the 33 years of Jesus' life.*

We leave in silence.

"When they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives."

Mark 14:26

Song: "Behold the Lamb"

LUYH 840:4

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Let us join the saints of every time and place,
forever proclaiming God's praises:

**Holy, holy, holy are you, God of towel and basin.
We join heaven and earth in praising your holy name.
Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is the One who became a servant for us.
Hosanna in the highest!**

Holy are you, God of Redemption,
and blessed is Jesus Christ, our Servant, our Savior.
When the hour had come, he got up from grace's side,
took off his glory, tied humanity around his heart to cleanse us of our sins.
In the midst of his friends, in the congregation of his enemies,
he kept the promises made to you, to love us to the very end.
Our friend, he welcomed all;
our teacher, he modeled the life of obedience and faith;
our Redeemer, he endured the snares of death,
that we might have life with you.

Every time we eat the bread, our brokenness is made whole;
every time we drink from the cup, we receive unceasing grace;
every time we come to the Table, we remember that mystery called faith:

**In remembrance, we mourn Christ's death;
In remembrance, we look to the Day of Resurrection;
In remembrance, we await his return to us.**

Prayer of Consecration, concluding with the Lord's Prayer:

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come; thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

The Invitation

*We invite you to come to the communion station in the front of the sanctuary,
leaving your row to the left and moving clockwise. We ask that you take the bread
and juice back to your seats and we will eat and drink together after all are served.*

Reconciling

The Gospel Reading: John 13:1-17, 31b-35

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Prayer of Confession

Silence

Loving Lord,

you taught us compassion.

You took a servant's role and knelt at the feet of your friends.

You gave us a meal to remind us of your life-giving love.

You called us to love one another too.

Forgive us, Lord, for not practicing the compassion you modeled.

Forgive us, Lord, for wanting to be served rather than to serve.

Forgive us, Lord, for not loving as you called us to love.

Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Song of Dedication: "Ubi caritas et amor/Live in Charity"

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Listening

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture: I Corinthians 11:17-31

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Message

Dr. David Westfall

*Song of Response: "Behold the Lamb"

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Communing

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

May the God of last suppers be with you.

And also with you.

Open your hearts to God this night.

We open them to the One whose heart is broken this night.

In the midst of uncertainty and fears, we will praise God.

Our thanks are offered to the One

who walks and waits with us through long nights.