

The Invitation

We invite you to come down the center aisle to the communion table at the front of the sanctuary. You may partake at the table or take the elements back to your seats to eat and drink there.

Sharing the Bread and Cup

“Ah, Holy Jesus/When I Survey the Wondrous Cross” arr. J. Sanborn

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Sending**We Are Sent as Disciples**

Song: “Calvary”

LUYH 171:1

Soloist sings chorus and vs.1, congregation joins on final chorus

***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*

Maundy Thursday

April 6, 2023



A Table in the Wilderness

John 13:2b-5

And during supper Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him.

† *Last Supper* by John August Swanson

Worship Participants

Pastor: Dr. Joel Kok, Dr. David Westfall ♦ Piano: Will Breems, Joya Schreurs ♦ Viola: Derek Friend

Worship Leaders: Kara Jasper, Dave Schelhaas, Shannon Schreurs

Sound: Doug DeBoer ♦ Video: Marty Vander Plaats ♦ CCLI #493458 ♦ OneLicense #A-721171

Hearing Assistance

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God Gathers Us

"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: "Ah, Holy Jesus"

Welcome & Opening Prayer

*Song: "Speak to Us"

1. Can God make a feast in the wilderness?

O Lord, can you give us bread?

**We've seen the waters that flowed from the rock,
but we are hungry again; Lord we are hungry again.**

**Chorus: Speak to us in our need; speak to us in our hunger;
Lord, please help us to see you're the food that we long for.
Speak to us, speak to us, O Lord.**

**2. We work for the bread that the world can give,
for food that will not satisfy.**

**O come instead to the table of God and eat the true bread of life;
come eat the true bread of life. (to chorus)**

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*God's Greeting

*Song: "Meekness and Majesty"

LUYH 157

We Journey into the Wilderness

Call to Confession: Psalm 116:1-2

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Song: "O Christ, the Lamb of God"

LUYH 630

Prayer of Confession

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 Thanksgiving: "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" LUYH 965

God Feeds Us with His Word

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture: John 13:1-17, 34-35

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Meditation

Dr. David Westfall

*Song of Response: "Come, You Sinners, Poor and Needy"

**1. Come, you sinners, poor and needy, weak and wounded, sick and sore;
Jesus ready stands to save you, full of pity, love, and power.**

**2. Let not conscience make you linger, nor of fitness fondly dream;
all that he requires as fitness is to know your need of him.**

**3. Come, you weary, heavy laden, lost and ruined by the fall;
if you tarry till you're better, you will never come at all.**

**4. Come, arise, and go to Jesus, he will take you in his arms;
in the love of your dear Savior you are safe from all alarms.**

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God Provides a Table in the Wilderness

The Institution: 1 Corinthians 11

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.