

Maundy Thursday

April 1, 2021



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Worship on Facebook Premiere
Thursday at 7pm.

Gathering

Music to Prepare Us for Worship

*At the heart of the Maundy Thursday liturgy is Jesus' command
(Maundy=mandate/command)*

to love one another. As Jesus washed the feet of his disciples, we are called to follow his example as we humbly care for one another, especially the poor and the unloved.

At the Lord's table we remember Jesus' sacrifice of his life, even as we are called to offer ourselves in love for the life of the world.

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Dear Friends, Taste and see

C: That our Lord is good!

L: Glad are the ones

C: Who find refuge in God.

L: Trust in the Lord

C: And your life will lack nothing.

Song: The Old Rugged Cross

Prayer of the Day

Merciful God, **Jesus spent the last evening with his disciples in celebration and blessing, knowing what lay ahead. Gather us now in remembrance of what he went through, and count us among the faithful, for the sake of our Lord and savior. Amen.**

The Story

Scripture: **Luke 22:1-27**

Sermon

Song: I Want Jesus to Walk with me

Confession and Forgiveness

Friends in Christ, in this Lenten season we have heard our Lord's call to struggle against sin, death, and the devil—all that keeps us from loving God and each other. This is the struggle to which we were called at baptism. [We have shared this discipline of Lent with new brothers and sisters in Christ who will be baptized at the Easter Vigil.]

Within the community of the church, God never wearies of forgiving sin and giving the peace of reconciliation. On this night let us confess our sin against God and our neighbor, and enter the celebration of the great Three Days reconciled with God and with one another.

Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination.

Most merciful God,

**we confess that we are captive to sin
and cannot free ourselves.**

**We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

**For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us.**

**Forgive us, renew us, and lead us,
so that we may delight in your will
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved.

In the name of **☩ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.**

Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

Amen.

Hand/Foot Washing: A reading from the Gospel of John 13:1-15

Foot washing, the symbol for being a servant of others, is the starting point. We do this following the pattern that Jesus set. The foot washing teaches us how to receive forgiveness and how to show love to others.

All are invited to gather in their household and either wash their own feet/hands, or have their feet/hands washed by another worshiping with you today. We do this remembering God's invitation for us to join in serving and being served, which is the model for Christian life.

Song during Hand/Foot washing: Jesu, Jesu

Prayers for the World

Together we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

*Each petition will close with the words: God of Mercy
And you are invited to respond: **Hear our prayer***

The Feast

Setting the Table

*As we prepare our tables with gifts of bread, wine/juice, the children lead us as we pray together. Let us pray: **Come, Lord Jesus, be our guest. And let these gifts to us be blest. Blest be God who is our bread, may all the world be clothed and fed. Amen.***

Thanksgiving at the Table

The Lord is with you

And also with you

Lift up your hearts!

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

On the night in which he was betrayed...

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.
Forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.**

Invitation to the Meal

This is not my table or River of Hope's table, but rather this is Christ's table and all are welcome. If you hunger and thirst for grace and mercy that comes through Jesus Christ, then Christ has set this table just for you. Bring all that you are and all that you have to the table. You will be fed. You are forgiven. There is enough.

"This is the body of Christ given for you and the blood of Christ shed for you."

Communion Song – What Wondrous Love is This

Post Communion Prayer

Let us pray ..

**Lord Jesus, in a wonderful sacrament
you strengthen us with the saving power
of your suffering, death, and resurrection.
May this sacrament of your body and blood
so work in us that the fruits of your redemption
will show forth in the way we live,
for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.**

Amen.

Psalm

There is no benediction or closing to the liturgy, for the service is not ended until Easter morning.

You are invited into a moment of silence after hearing “30 pieces of silver” dropped into a basin. This money will be given to our Lenten Ministry Partner – McLeod Alliance for Victims of Domestic Violence.



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