

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

April 14, 2022

Maundy Thursday

7:00 P.M.

PRELUDE

Ich Ruf Du Dir, Herr Jesus Christ

JS Bach

WELCOME & INSTRUCTION

INTROIT

When Jesus Wept

P. Morton/W. Billings

When Jesus wept, the falling tear in mercy flowed beyond all bound.
When Jesus groaned, a trembling fear seized all the guilty world around.

CALL TO WORSHIP (setting the room)

Towel, basin, pitcher, cup & plate

Leader: In the past God spoke through the prophets at many times and in various ways,

People: **but in the last days God has spoken to us by God's Son, whom God appointed heir of all things, and through whom he made the universe.**

Leader: Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise— the fruit of lips that confess his name.

People: **Praise the Lord!**

HYMN #202

An Upper Room

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FIRST SCRIPTURE READING John 13:1-7, 31b-35

Jesus washes the disciples' feet

CALL TO CONFESSION

Leader: We know that nothing is able to separate us from the love of God found in Jesus Christ. Let us in freedom confess the wrong we have done.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Have mercy on us, O God, in your faithful love, in your great tenderness wipe away our offenses; wash us thoroughly from our guilt, purify us from our sin. For we are well aware of our offences, our sin is constantly in mind. Against you, and you alone, we have sinned, we have done what you see to be wrong, that you may show your saving justice when you pass sentence and your victory may appear when you give judgment. But you delight in sincerity of heart, and in secret you teach us wisdom. Thank you for your grace and your mercy. Lord, hear our silent prayer.

SILENT CONFESSION

<Demonstrating Washing feet>

CHORAL RESPONSE #227 Jesus Remember Me When I Come Into Your Kingdom

Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom (x2)

DECLARATION OF PARDON (responsively)

Leader: Hear the Good News; Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;

People: **That proves God's love toward us.**

Leader: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

People: **In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!**

All: **Glory to God!**

PSALTER

ANTHEM

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 12:1-14

HOMILY

Can We Remember?

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Unison)

The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation to the Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Gathering at the Table

(Come to the table in groups of 8-12 and circle the table to receive the bread and cup)

Prayer

HYMN #206

This Is the Night

My Neighbor

STRIPPING THE SANCTUARY (done after the last hymn, please leave in silence)

This is a MORE LIGHT Presbyterian Church!

A "More Light" Presbyterian church welcomes lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender persons to full participation in the life, ministry, and witness of the congregation. We work to expand the inclusiveness of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)



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GOOD FRIDAY – 4/15 - Join us at Noon here in the sanctuary as we rehearse the Passion of Jesus Christ. Horizon Youth Theatre will lead us in remembering and retelling Jesus' painful crucifixion.

Easter Saturday – 4/16 - 9 a.m. Special Easter program during the Men's & Women's Breakfast Group .

EASTER SUNDAY - April 17 - 6:30 am Sunrise Service in our Court Yard

We will shout, "He is Risen! HE IS RISEN INDEED!" Of course, we will all be wearing masks and social distancing- but we will meet in-person in the court yard. This service will be a brief grand celebration of the Resurrection! Mary found the tomb EMPTY! Jesus was not there!

An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare

1. An upper room did our Lord prepare for those he loved until the end: and his disciples still gather there to celebrate their risen friend.
2. A lasting gift Jesus gave his own: to share his bread, his loving cup. Whatever burdens may bow us down, he by his cross shall lift us up.
3. And after supper he washed their feet, for service, too, is sacrament. In Christ our joy shall be made complete: sent out to serve, as he was sent.
4. No end there is! We depart in peace. He loves beyond our uttermost: In every room in our Father's house Christ will be there, as Lord and Host.

This Is the Night

1. This is the night, dear friends, the night for weeping, When powers of darkness overcome the day, the night the faithful mourn the weight of evil where by our sins the Son of Man betray.
2. This night the traitor, wolf within the sheepfold, betrays himself in to his victim's will, the Lamb of God for sacrifice preparing: sin brings about the cure for sin's own ill.
3. This night Christ institutes his holy supper, blest food and drink for heart and soul and mind; this night injustice joins its hand to treason's, and buys the ransom price of humankind.
4. This night the Lord by slaves hall be arrested, he who destroys our slavery to sin; accused of crime, to criminals begiven, that judgement on the righteous Judge begin.
5. O make us sharers, Savior, of your passion, that we may share you glory that shall be; let us pass through these three dark nights of sorrow to Easter's laughter and its liberty.

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