

St. Andrews Presbyterian Church



March 28, 2024

Maundy Thursday

March 28, 2024

12:00 P.M.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE

"O Lord Have Mercy on Me"
"Be still and know that I am God."
(Please use this time to prepare for worship in silence.)

J.S. BACH
Psalm 46:10

CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist

This is a day of remembrance for us.

We lift up the cup of salvation and call upon the name of the Lord.

Throughout the generations, we have received and handed on to others what the Lord has given to us: water for washing; the towel of service; **the bread of his body; the cup of the new covenant; proclaiming the Lord's death until he comes again.**

OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN 203

"Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love"

CHEREPONI

*CONFESSION, PARDON AND PASSING THE PEACE

The proof of God's amazing love is this: while we were sinners Christ died for us. Because we have faith in him, we dare to approach God with confidence. In faith and penitence let us confess our sin before God and one another.

Holy God, you have called us to serve others as Christ has served us. We confess that we have not followed Christ's example as fully or as often as we desire. We turn away from people in need. True humility eludes us, and we hide our own vulnerability before others. Gathered on this Holy Thursday, we confess that we are capable of denying and betraying you and one another, no less than the first disciples. Forgive us, merciful God, and cleanse us of all our sin; then guide our feet to walk with you always. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

Silent Confession

*KYRIE

**Lord, have mercy,
Christ, have mercy,
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. **May the God of mercy, who forgives us all your sins, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. Amen.**

*THE PEACE

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. **And also with you.**

*(You are invited to exchange the peace with one another,
by words and gesture, signs of peace and reconciliation.)*

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Liturgist

THE HEBREW TESTAMENT READING: Exodus 12:1-14

The Word of the Lord.

Liturgist

Thanks be to God.

CHORAL ANTHEM

"Lamb of God"

Fauré

THE GOSPEL READING: John 13:1-17, 31b-35

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

"Embodying Christ's Love"

THE RESPONSE

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Unison)

We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus; for we know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to God's purpose. We are convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

*HYMN 498

"Loves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken"

BEACH SPRING

THE EUCHARIST

THE INVITATION TO THE TABLE

THE PRAYER OF GREAT THANKSGIVING (Responsive)

The Lord be 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 our thanks and praise.**

It is truly right and our greatest joy...who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

You are holy, O God of majesty...Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us...

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Traditional)

(Page 16, The Presbyterian Hymnal)

COMMUNION HYMN

"Drop, Drop Slow Tears"

GIBBONS

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

THE SHARING OF THE MEAL

(To receive communion when you come forward, please open your hands and a portion of bread will be given to you to partake. (If you prefer gluten free, please tell the server.) Then pick up a small cup from the tray and partake. As you return to your seat, there will be a basket in which you can place your cup. If you would like a server to come to you, please raise your hand.)

HYMN 507

"Come to the Table of Grace"

TABLE OF GRACE

Come to the table of grace. Come to the table of grace.
This is God's table; it's not yours or mine. Come to the table of grace.

2) Come to the table of peace...

3) Come to the table of love...

4) Come to the table of hope...

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (UNISON)

God of grace, your Son Jesus Christ left us this holy meal of bread and wine in which we share his body and blood. May we who have celebrated this sign of his great love show in our lives the fruits of his redemption; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

STRIPPING OF THE CHURCH AND SILENT PRAYER

SILENT RECESSIONAL

(All depart in silence. Please maintain silence until you exit the building. Worship continues tomorrow at noon at our Good Friday Service.)

PARTICIPANTS IN WORSHIP

The Rev. Dr. Anne Hébert, Pastor

Jim Trent, Liturgist

Dennis and Sally Keeney, Ushers

Jack and Judy Harnish, Greeters

Melissa Havlin and Chris Jahr, Communion Preparers

Tim Quist, Organist

Michael Beery, Music Director