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MAUNDY *Thursday* SERVICE



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MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE

Maundy Thursday is the Thursday before Easter on which Christians memorialize the last supper Jesus ate with his disciples. “Maundy” comes from the Latin “mandatum novum,” meaning “new commandment. In John 13:34, Jesus gives the disciples a new commandment; “Love one another.”

Prelude: “The Power of Jesus’ Love Medley” Les Fraaza

Call to Worship: Mark 14:22, 27, 32, 42

While they were eating, he took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to them, and said,

“**Take; this is my body.**”

When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. And Jesus said to them,

“**You will all become deserters; for it is written, ‘I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered.’**”

They went to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples,

“**Sit here while I pray.**”

After finding them asleep a third time, Jesus said,

“**Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand.**”

Hymn: “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God” (vs. 1,2,3) #275

Opening Prayer:

Lord Jesus -

Two thousand years later, we still celebrate your final Passover meal with the disciples as the ultimate experience of unity and togetherness. This sacred meal still makes us one – one with you and one with each other.

And yet the same night that your first shared this meal with the disciples, you experienced the ultimate disunity, the ultimate isolation, as we betrayed, denied, and deserted you. That night you were one – alone and abandoned by all.

We grieve that the price for our oneness was your aloneness; that our togetherness came at the cost of your isolation.

May we journey with you, Jesus, this year, in this season, so that we are united to your whole story, and so made whole ourselves.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon: Philippians 3:9-10

“I want to know Christ, and the power of the resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection of the dead.”

In knowing and following Jesus, through his suffering and through his victory, we are saved. Thanks be to God. **Amen.**

The Peace:

Since God has forgiven us in Christ Jesus, let us forgive one another. The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Hymn: “An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare” (vs. 1,4) #202

New Testament Reading: Mark 14:43-72

Message: “Betrayers & Witnesses”

Special Music: “Remember Me”
Stephanie Finamore & Melanie Hocker

The Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

The Invitation to the Lord’s Table and Words of Institution

The Prayer of Consecration & 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. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Sharing of the Elements

(We celebrate “Open Communion” at CCPC which means ALL baptized believers here today are welcome to share in our Lord’s Feast.)

Communion Music: Herb Westlund & Les Fraaza

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Offering

Offertory Music: “O How He Loves You and Me” Les Fraaza

Doxology: “Go to Dark Gethsemane” (vs. 1,2,3) #220

The Stripping and Washing of the Table:

All movable hangings and ornaments, except for the lectern bible, are removed from the chancel and altar. Then the altar is washed, reminding us that Jesus’ body was washed before burial, according to ancient custom.

Old Testament Reading: Psalm 41:5-13

Postlude: Les Fraaza

**Our service continues tomorrow at 6pm
with a CCPC original drama,**

“Who Was that Man?”