

Maundy Thursday

Order of Worship

PRELUDE

"Lamb of God" ~ McDonald
Wanda Cooper, Organ; Terry Raymond, Piano

GATHERING

Maundy Thursday begins the observance of a period of three holy days during which the last events of Christ's earthly life are remembered in preparation for the feast of Easter. As you enter the Sanctuary, use this time for silent meditation and preparation for worship.

GREETING

Leader: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

People: Christ has prepared a feast of love.

OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN

"I Need Thee Every Hour" ~ No. 397

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERING

"Tis Midnight and On Olive's Brow"
Linda Crowell, Soloist

*SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 13:1-17

SERMON

"A Throne or A Towel?"
Rev. Bill Price

A SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE II

No. 12

CONFESSION AND PARDON

**Merciful God,
we confess that we have not
loved you with our whole heart.
We have failed to be an obedient church.
We have not done your will,
we have broken your law,
we have rebelled against your love,
we have not loved our neighbors,
and we have not heard the cry of the needy.
Forgive us, we pray.
Free us for joyful obedience,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

No. 13

HOLY COMMUNION

The ushers will invite you forward to receive communion by the practice of intinction. You will be given a piece of bread that you may dip in the cup. After receiving, you are welcome to kneel at the altar for prayer.

(Gifts left at the altar during communion will be placed in Pastor's discretionary fund.)

SPECIAL MUSIC

"He Was Wounded" ~ Knoedler
Sanctuary Choir

*HYMN

"I Surrender All" ~ No. 354

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

As a sign of humility, please depart the Sanctuary in silence.

*Please stand as you are able.

On this night Christians commemorate the supper Jesus shared with his disciples before his crucifixion. Jesus also washed the disciples' feet (John 13:1-17), and instituted the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper (Matthew 26:26-29); Mark 14:22-25; Luke 22:13-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25).

Its name, "Maundy", comes from the Latin word "Mandatum", meaning command. This stems from Christ's words in John 13:34, "a new commandment I give to you, that you love one another." After the supper, during which Jesus modeled servant love for all of his disciples by washing their feet, he goes out of the city, crosses the Kidron Valley, and goes into the Garden of Gethsemane. The disciples follow him and the events of Good Friday begin.

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