

Maundy Thursday

April 9, 2020, 6:00 p.m.

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PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

On Maundy Thursday, the Church remembers the last evening Jesus shared with His disciples before His arrest and crucifixion. It marks three key events during that time: His washing of the disciples' feet, His institution of the Lord's Supper, and His new commandment to love one another.

As Jesus commands us to love another, let us always remember the amazing love He shows us, which He profoundly demonstrated that evening with His disciples. Jesus, the High King of Heaven, counts us not merely as His servants, but also as His friends. He showed us this by taking on the form of a servant to wash His disciples' feet.

In the Passover meal He shared with His friends, celebrating God's great act of deliverance in the Exodus account, Jesus assumed the role of the Paschal lamb, declaring that it is through His sacrifice that man is truly delivered. Though He knew the horrors of what that would mean for Him, Jesus willingly submitted to the Father's will by going to the cross for our sakes. This is made clear when later in the evening in the Garden of Gethsemane, Jesus said "Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me. Nevertheless, not my will, but yours, be done" (*Luke 22:42*).

Let us then, as we feast on the Word of God and at the Table of God, praise God for the amazing love He gives us, which is perfectly manifested in the willing sacrifice of His Son.



THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

PRELUDE: "There Is a Balm in Gilead"..... Charles Callahan

Samuel Metzger, organ

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.....George Robertson

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Good Friday Worship Service: *Visit 2pc.org/live at 12:00 p.m. tomorrow to worship with us online.*

Day of Prayer and Fasting: *We encourage you to join our congregation and sister churches and denominations tomorrow to pray and fast. Visit 2pc.org/easter to download the self-guided prayer packet.*

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CALL TO WORSHIP

HYMN OF WONDER: "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"..... HAMBURG

Words: Isaac Watts / Music: Lowell Mason; arr. Metzger / Galatians 6:14

1. When I sur - vey the won - drous cross on which the
2. For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the
3. See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sor - row and
4. Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were a

Prince of glo - ry died, my rich - est gain I
death of Christ my God: all the vain things that
love flow min - gled down: did e'er such love and
pres - ent far too small; love so a - maz - ing,

count but loss, and pour con - tempt on all my pride.
charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to his blood.
sor - row meet, or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
so di - vine, de - mands my soul, my life, my all.

INVOCATION

GOSPEL LESSON..... Matthew 26:36-46

HYMN OF RESPONSE: "How Deep the Father's Love for Us" TOWNEND

Words and Music: Stuart Townend; arr. Bruce Greer / Romans 5:8

1. How deep the Fa-ther's love for us, how vast be-yond all mea - sure;
 2. Be - hold the Man up - on a cross, my sin up - on his shoul - ders;
 3. I will not boast in an - y - thing: no gifts, no pow'r, no wis - dom;

that he should give his on - ly Son, to make a wretch his trea - sure.
 a - shamed, I hear my mock - ing voice call out a - mong the scof - fers.
 but I will boast in Je - sus Christ; his death and res - ur - rec - tion.

How great the pain of sear - ing loss; the Fa - ther turns his face a - way
 It was my sin that held him there un - til it was ac - com - plished.
 Why should I gain from his re - ward? I can - not give an an - swer.

as wounds which mar the Cho - sen One bring man - y un - to glo - ry.
 His dy - ing breath has brought me life; I know that it is fin - ished.
 But this I know with all my heart: his wounds have paid my ran - som.

James Ryan, violin

SCRIPTURE LESSONLuke 7:36-50

The grass withers, the flower fades,
but the Word of our God will stand forever. (*Isaiah 40:8*)

SERMON: Jesus and the Sinful WomanDan Burns

- I. How does the woman respond to Jesus? With heartfelt gratitude.
- II. How does Simon respond to Jesus? With scornful ingratitude.
- III. How will we respond to Jesus?

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

PROFESSION OF OUR FAITH The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;
and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried;
He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead;**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church;
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

GLORIA PATRI. GREATOREX

Music: Henry W. Greatorex / Psalm 29:2

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the

Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er

shall be, world with - out end. A - men, a - men.

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God, our heavenly Father,
we confess that we have doubted Your amazing love,
and rather than looking to Your Son, we have looked to ourselves.
Like Judas, we have betrayed Jesus.
Like Peter, we have denied Jesus.
Like the other disciples, we have forsaken Jesus.
Forgive us for our rebellion and our indifference towards His grace.
Have mercy on us, O God, Your weak and ashamed people.
Renew us in Christ, who is the Bread of Life and the Vine from whom we grow in grace.
It's in the matchless name of Jesus our Savior, we pray.**

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON. I John 1:9

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION AND 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 THE BREAD AND THE CUP

CHORAL MEDITATION: "Mercy" Craig Courtney

I dare not lift my guilty eyes. I hide my lips in trembling shame.
And in the darkness of my soul, I shrink from Your rekindling flame. Kyrie elison, have mercy.

In mercy cover me with grace and blot out my iniquity.
Renew my heart and wash me clean; grant with Your pardon purity. Kyrie elison, have mercy.

In equal measure of Your love, You promise mercy, tender compassion to the one who seeks Your face.
A broken heart, a fainting soul, a contrite spirit, together cry for Your forgiveness and Your grace.

Against You only have I sinned. My deeds are evil in Your sight.
Of Your forgiveness let me sing, and in my singing take delight. Kyrie elison, have mercy, have mercy.

Ensemble: Jauna Ellis, Lizzy Young, Christy Young, Calvin Ellis, and Keith Young

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Words: Elvina Hall / Music: John Grape / Isaiah 1:18

1. I hear the Sav - ior say, "Your strength in - deed is small,
 2. Lord, now in - deed I find your pow'r, and yours a - lone,
 3. For noth - ing good have I where - by your grace to claim —
 4. And when, be - fore the throne, I stand in him com - plete,

child of weak - ness, watch and pray, find in me your all in all."
 can change the lep - er's spots, and melt the heart of stone.
 I'll wash my gar - ments white in the blood of Cal - vary's Lamb.
 "Je - sus died my soul to save," my lips shall still re - peat.

Refrain

Je - sus paid it all, all to him I owe;

sin had left a crim - son stain, he washed it white as snow.

BENEDICTION

CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

ORGAN POSTLUDE: "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring" J.S. Bach