

Maundy Thursday commemorates Jesus' last supper with his disciples and the institution of the Lord's Supper when he told them of a new commandment to love one another. We call it Maundy Thursday due to the Latin *Dies Mandatum*, or "the day of the new commandment."

Participating in the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

You are invited to share in Holy Communion with us tonight. Our Directory for Worship reminds us "The opportunity to eat and drink with Christ is not a right bestowed upon the worthy, but a privilege given to the undeserving who come in faith, repentance, and love. All who come to the table are offered the bread and cup, regarding of their age or understanding." (W-3.0409). We encourage you to share in this meal of God's people.

Communion Bread. For those with special dietary needs, there is a small satin pouch in every bread pocket that contains a wheat-and gluten-free bread.

Communion Servers: Kathy Maclin, Tom Maclin

Assisting: John Willingham

Ushers: Cameron and Susan Craig, Julie Davis, Craig Myers, Mark Strasburg, Mindy and Scott Russell, Mike Waters

Greeters: Kathy Maclin, Connie Waters

Sound System: Jay Stough

The Sanctuary will be open for prayer and meditation tomorrow from noon to 3 pm

Offering. Tonight's gift will go to *One Great Hour of Sharing*, a PCUSA special offering that supports disaster and hunger relief efforts around the world.

Liturgy Notes: The prayer of confession comes from the *Book of Common Worship*, page 271

Maundy Thursday

March 29, 2018

7:30 p.m.

Gathering as God's Family

In preparation for worship, take the opportunity to speak to God, respecting each other's desire to meditate. At the close of the service, greet one another with joy.

Prelude *Beautiful Savior* David N. Johnson
Call to Worship Psalm 27:1, 4
The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear?
The Lord is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid?
One thing have I asked of the Lord; one thing I seek;
That I may dwell in the house of the Lord all of the days of my life.
*Hymn 314 *Longing for Light, We Wait In Darkness* CHRIST BE OUR LIGHT

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Confessing Our Sins to God

Prayer of Confession
**Eternal God, whose covenant with us is never broken,
we confess that we fail to fulfill your will.
Though you have bound yourself to us, we will not bind ourselves to you.
In Jesus Christ you serve us freely,
but we refuse your love and withhold ourselves from others.
We do not love you fully or love one another as you command.
In your mercy, forgive and cleanse us.
Lead us once again to your table and unite us to Christ,
who is the bread of life and the vine from which we grow in grace.**

Moment of Silent Reflection and Confession
Leader: We make these confessions asking, "Lord, have mercy."

Congregational Response 216 *Beneath the Cross of Jesus* ST. CHRISTOPHER
**Upon the cross of Jesus mine eye at times can see
the very dying form of One who suffered there for me;
and from my stricken heart with tears two wonders I confess:
the wonders of redeeming love and my unworthiness.**

Assurance of Forgiveness
Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel.
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

* Those who are able, please stand * * * Seating interludes



Tenebrae, Good Friday, March 30—7:30 pm

We recall the final hours of Jesus' life through a dramatic reading of the passion, including hymns and anthems

Easter Sunday, April 1—8:00, 9:30 & 11:15 am

We celebrate the joy of the resurrection

Nursery care (birth to age 4) available at all services

Children's Worship Time (age 4 to grade 1) will be available at 9:30 and 11:15 services on Easter



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**Hear the good news of salvation: Jesus died to show God’s love.
Such great kindness! Such great mercy! Come to us from heaven above.
Jesus Christ, how much I love you! Jesus Christ, you save from sin!
How I love you! Look upon me. Love me still and cleanse within.**

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Proclaiming God’s Word

Scripture Reading: John 13: 21-30

Pew Bible, NRSV (NT), p. 108

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem

Ubi Caritas

Maurice Duruflé

Chancel Choir

*Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est. Where charity and love are, God is there.
Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor. The love of Christ has gathered us together.
Exsultemus et in ipso jucundemur. Let us rejoice and be glad in it.
Timeamus et amemus Deum vivum. Let us revere and love the living God.
Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero. And from a sincere heart let us love one another .
Amen.*

Sermon

“Betrayal”

Rev. Keith Roberts

Responding to God’s Word

*Affirmation of Faith

Philippians 2:5-11

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

*Hymn 511

Come, Behold! The Feast of Heaven

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Offering of Our Gifts and Lives

Offertory

Litany

Franz Schubert

*Congregational Response 223

*When I Survey
the Wondrous Cross*

HAMBURG

**Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.**

*Prayer of Dedication

Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

Invitation

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

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.

Holy God, Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, with joy we praise you and give thanks to your name...

The Lord’s Prayer *(Traditional)*

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.

The Words of Institution

Communion of the People

(We will share in communion tonight by intinction. You are invited to come down the center aisle, receive bread from one of the ministers, dip the bread in a cup held by the elder and then return by the side aisle. If you are unable to come forward, we will bring the elements to you.)

Prayer of Commitment

Going Forth in God’s Name

*Hymn 547

Go, My Children, with My Blessing

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*Benediction

*Postlude

Cantata No. 4 “Christ Lay in Death’s Dark Prison”

J.S. Bach

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