

Maundy Thursday Service  
March 28, 2024 – 7:00 PM



CENTERING PRAYER

God of love, during Holy Week, we give you thanks for this night Jesus shared with his disciples. Between the public parade and the public charade is this intimate hour. Though even now we do not fully understand, we long to follow his example: to serve as he served, to heal as he healed, and to love as he loved. Jesus promised if we know these things and do them, we will be blessed. Help us, then, to know and to do all that Jesus taught. Though we betray and deny, we still come seeking your blessing. We cannot live unless you bless us. Amen.

PRELUDE

*O Sacred Head Now Wounded*

*Fenton Groden*

CALL TO WORSHIP

In the growing darkness we gather. Our Lenten journey brings us here.  
Jesus, our Teacher and Lord, sets before us a towel, a bowl, bread, a cup.  
Jesus gives us an example and a commandment ever new:  
to love one another as he loved us. This is how everyone will know we are his disciples, when we love another.  
Come, for our Savior invites us to worship, to the table, and to be made clean.

† HYMN

*“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”*

**Hymnal #223**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Holy God, you call us to serve others as Christ served us. We confess we do not follow your example as fully as we should. We turn away from people in need. True humility eludes us, and we hide our own vulnerability before others. You command us to love one another as you loved us. We confess we do not love so generously. Gathered on this Holy Thursday, we confess we are capable of denying and betraying you and one another. Forgive us, merciful God, and cleanse us of all our sin; then guide our feet to walk with you through the end. We continue to pray in Jesus’ name. (Silent Confession)**

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

† HYMN

**“What Wondrous Love Is This”**

**Hymnal #215**

SCRIPTURE READINGS

John 13:1-17, 31b-35

SERMON

**“The Hour Has Come”**

Rev. Dr. Dave Burgess

† AFFIRMATION OF 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.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Lenten Prayer  
Chancel Choir

arr. Patrick M Liebergen

† THE CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

The Invitation

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord’s Prayer

Breaking of the Bread and Sharing the Cup

Prayer after the Meal

† HYMN

**“Were You There”**

**Hymnal #228**

† CHARGE AND BLESSING

† STRIPPING OF THE CHURCH

† CHIMING OF THE BELLS

***Please observe a moment of silence.***

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