



**MAUNDY THURSDAY
ORDER OF WORSHIP
April 9, 2020: 7pm**

Please have a basin or sink and towel, a candle to light, a bit of wine and bread to share at hand.

Prelude: Op.14 No.5 Edward Elgar (Patty Meyer)

Ritual of Hand/Footwashing

SCRIPTURE READING: John 13: 1-5, 12-17 (Fred Breunig)

1 It was just before the Passover Festival. Jesus knew that the hour had come for him to leave this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end.

2 The evening meal was in progress, and the devil had already prompted Judas, the son of Simon Iscariot, to betray Jesus. 3 Jesus knew that the Father had put all things under his power, and that he had come from God and was returning to God; 4 so he got up from the meal, took off his outer clothing, and wrapped a towel around his waist. 5 After that, he poured water into a basin and began to wash his disciples' feet, drying them with the towel that was wrapped around him...

12 When he had finished washing their feet, he put on his clothes and returned to his place. "Do you understand what I have done for you?" he asked them. 13 "You call me 'Teacher' and 'Lord,' and rightly so, for that is what I am. 14 Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. 15 I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you. 16 Very truly I tell you, no servant is greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. 17 Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them.

*Please wash your own hands or the hands or feet of another person.
This symbolizes the humbling of ourselves in service to one another.
Washing our own hands in these times is in itself a gift to everyone.*

Words of Welcome and Introduction: Rev. Lise Sparrow

Introit: "Come O Thou Traveler Unknown" (Tony Barrand)

Call to Worship

One: God is my light and my salvation: whom shall I fear?

All: **God is the strength of my life:
whom shall I dread?**

One: I am seeking your presence, O God.

All: **Do not abandon me to my foes.
There are people who hate me;
there are things that control me;
there are places that frighten me.**

One: Trust in God. Stand fast and have courage.

All: **Help us this night not to fall away.
Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another,
and give us the courage to withstand.**

Hymn 194: "Come and Fill Our Hearts" *Berthier; Taizé* (Peter and Mary Alice Amidon)

Invocation for the Service of Light*

One: God be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

One: Let us pray:

All: **Gracious God,
you give us the sun to illumine the day
and the moon and the stars to shine by night.
Kindle in us the flame of your love
that our lives may shed abroad the radiance of your light
and the world may be full of the splendor of your glory
through Jesus Christ, the Son of Righteousness. Amen.**

*Hymn: "Christ, You are Light" *Berthier; Taizé* (Peter and Mary Alice Amidon)

Chri - ste, lux mun - di, qui se - qui - tur te ha -
Christ, you are light for those who fol - low you. You

be - bit lu - men vi - tae, lu - men vi - tae.
come to bring to all the light of life.

****Prayer at the Lighting of the Candles**

One: O Gracious Light, Pure brightness
of the eternal Creator
in heaven,
O Jesus Christ, holy and Blessed!

**All: Now as we come to the setting of the sun,
and our eyes behold your vesper light,
we sing your praises, Holy God,
One in Trinity.**

One: You are worthy at all times to be praised by happy voices,
O Christ of God, O Giver of Life,
and to be glorified through all the worlds.

Hymn 199: “O Lord Hear My Prayer” *Berthier; Taizé* (Andy and Robin Davis)

Prayer of Confession and Assurance

One: Let us pray:

**All: Spirit of Christ, be with us now.
We may try to avoid this hour of trouble;
we may not stay awake.
Help us to face our fear of the cross on which you died.
Help us face the crosses we must carry to honor
your life.**

Silence for Personal Confession

One: Let us continue:

**All: We are your disciples.
And we too follow you with confusion and fear.
Strengthen us, we pray,
so that we may walk through life into death
without fear;
through the night into eternal light. Amen**

Special Music: “If Ye Love Me, Keep My Commandments” (Peter and Mary Alice Amidon)

Reading the *Mandatum Novum* (New Commandment) John 13: 34-35. (Lucy Spahr-Blazej)
(The origin for the name Maundy Thursday)

THE SERVICE OF SHADOWS: TENEBRAE

1. The Plot against Jesus, Matthew 26:1-5 (Dunham Rowley)
2. Jesus is Anointed, Matthew 26: 6-13 (Terry Sylvester)
3. Judas' Choice, Matthew 26: 14-16, 20-25 (Dr. Cheri Ann Brodhurst)

Special Music: “The Lord’s Prayer” (Zara Bode, solo)

4. Jesus’ Prophecy, Matthew 26: 31-35 (Rob Harnish)

5. The Last Supper, Matthew 26: 26-30 (Lucy Spahr-Blazej)



Hymn 195: “Eat This Bread” *Berthier/Taize* (Peter and Mary Alice Amidon)

Imagine yourselves at the table with Jesus. Lift the bread and bless it, identifying it with Christ’s body.

Pass the bread around the table or up in ceremonial sharing. Eat it slowly.

Then lift the cup, blessing it and identifying it with Christ’s sacrifice.

Then pass the chalice or take it to your lips.

When all have been served, offer a silent prayer as the anthem begins.

Hymn: (see insert) “Go To Dark Gethsemane” (Andy and Robin Davis)

Go to Dark Gethsemane 272

1 Go to dark Geth - sem - a - ne, you that feel the
 2 Fol - low to the judg - ment hall; view the Lord of
 3 Cal - vary's mourn - ful moun - tain climb; there, a - dor - ing

tempt - er's power; your Re - deem - er's con - flict see;
 life ar - raigned. O the worm - wood and the gall!
 at his feet, mark that mir - a - cle of time.

watch with him one bit - ter hour; turn not from his
 O the pangs his soul sus - tained! Shun not suf - fering,
 God's own sac - ri - fice com - plete: "It is fin - ished!"

griefs a - way; learn of Je - sus Christ to pray.
 shame, or loss; learn of him to bear the cross.
 hear him cry; learn of Je - sus Christ to die.

WORDS: James Montgomery (1771-1854), alt.
 MUSIC: Richard Redhead (1820-1901)

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6. The Agony, Matthew 26: 36-39 (Fred Ashworth)

7. Watch and Pray, Matthew 26: 40-46 (Lucy Spahr-Blazej)

8. The Kiss, Matthew 26: 47-52 (Kathie Lovell)

Anthem: "All in the Morning" (Tony Barrant)

10. Blood on our Children, Matthew 27: 15-22 (Bev Langeveld)

11. Shadow of the cross, Matthew 27: 28-31 (Cheryl Redmond)

12. The Son of God, Matthew 27: 38-43 (Fred Breunig)

Anthem: "Morning"

(Rachel Johnson, piano and Dwayne Johnson, trumpet, with Peter Amidon, solo)

The Lord's Prayer

Hymn 200: "Were You There?" (Andy and Robin Davis)

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Were You There?

1. Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? Were you
2. Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? Were you
3. Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? Were you

there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?
there when they nailed him to the tree? Oh! - - -
there when they laid him in the tomb?

Some-times it caus-es me to trem-ble, trem-ble, trem-ble.

Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

WORDS and MUSIC: African-American spiritual

First printed in 1899 in William E. Barton's *Old Plantation Hymns*, this spiritual did not appear in a major denominational hymnal until 1940 (Protestant Episcopal Church).

WERE YOU THERE
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Final reading: John 1: 1-4, 14, 10, 12; 3: 19 (Dunham Rowley)

Postlude: Op. 14 No. 1 Edward Elgar (Patty Meyer)

**There is no Benediction because the events of this night
do not conclude until Easter morning resurrection.
Keep the faith in vigil through Good Friday and Holy Saturday.**

The word *Tenebrae* is Latin for "shadows" or "darkness."
It can also be translated as "night" or "death." The *Tenebrae* service is an ancient tradition in Christian history that took place on one of the last three days of Holy Week: Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, or Holy Saturday. Scripture readings are shared to tell the story of Holy Week. This gradual descent into gloom is a representation of Jesus' increasing sorrow as the events of Passion Week unfolded. After the last verse is read, the last candle is put out, and the room is plunged into darkness.

A loud noise is sounded in the blackness to represent the closing of Christ's tomb. At this point, another candle is lit symbolizing Christ's resurrection.

Thanks...

to the choir,
to our organist, Patty Meyer
and musicians, Andy and Robin Davis, Peter and Mary Alice Amidon and Dr. Tony Barrant
and to the deacons and lay leaders who participated as disciples this evening:
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Emeritii: Dunham Rowley, Cheri Brodhurst and Bev Langeveld.
Deacons:
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