

The Meaning of Maundy Thursday

Maundy Thursday is the day during Holy Week in which Christians commemorate the event of the Last Supper. On that night more than 2,000 years ago, Jesus and his disciples were celebrating a Passover meal when Jesus offered them the bread as his body and the wine as his blood in order to establish a new covenant with them. The word “Maundy” comes from a Latin term meaning “mandate” and refers to Jesus’ command to continue the celebration of this Last Supper. Each time we participate in communion (and especially on Maundy Thursday), the commandment of Jesus is being obeyed.

April 15, Good Friday

12:00 p.m. **Good Friday Service**

April 17, Easter Sunday

6:45 a.m. **Community Sunrise Service**
in EPC Courtyard

8:45 a.m. **Traditional Service**

9:45 a.m.—10:30 a.m. **Drop-in Fellowship**
in EPC Courtyard

10:30 a.m. **Jubilee and Traditional Services**

Remember to bring flowers to decorate the flower cross!

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Maundy Thursday

April 14, 2022

7:00 p.m.

MAUNDY THURSDAY
April 14, 2022

Please enter the Sanctuary in silent reflection.

Prelude

The Cross of Jesus

John Stainer

Welcome

Rev. Dr. Lynn A. Grandsire

Call to Worship:

Leader: On this day Christ the Lamb of God gave himself into the hands of those who would slay him.

People: On this day Christ gathered with his disciples in the upper room.

Leader: On this day Christ took a towel and washed his disciples' feet, giving us an example that we should do to others as he has done to us.

People: On this day Christ our God gave us this holy feast, that we who eat this bread and drink this cup may here proclaim his holy sacrifice and be partakers of his resurrection, and at the last day may we reign with him in heaven.

All: Let us worship God!

***Opening Hymn #202**

An Upper Room

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Opening Prayer

Rev. Dr. Douglass D. Key

Confession of Sin (Unison):

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. Turn our hearts to you in this silence.....

Silent Confession

Declaration of Pardon

Pastor: Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel.

Congregation: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

Scripture Readings:

Unison: John 13:12-20

Scripture Focus: John 13:21-30

Communion Meditation

“Exposed, yet Loved!”

Rev. Dr. Lynn A. Grandsire

Anthem of Preparation

Midnight on Olive's Brow

David Rasbach

‘Tis midnight, and on Olive’s brow The star is dimmed that lately shown; ‘Tis midnight in the garden now, the suffering Savior prays alone. ‘Tis midnight, and from all removed, The Savior wrestles lone with fears; E’en that disciple whom He loved Heeds not hi Master’s grief and tears. ‘Tis midnight and for others guilt The Man of Sorrows weeps in blood; Yet, He that hath in anguish knelt Is not forsaken by His God. ‘Tis midnight, and from heav’nly plains Is borne the song that angels know; Unheard by mortals are the strains that sweetly soothe the sweet loving Savior’s woe. Amen.

William B. Tappan

The Lord’s Supper (by Intinction)

The Invitation to the Table

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up unto The Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to our Lord God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Prayer of Great Thanksgiving and The Lord’s Prayer

The Words of Institution

The Supper

Communion Anthem

Ubi Caritas

Ola Gjeilo

Translation: Where charity and love are, God is there. The love of Christ has gathered us together. Let us rejoice and be glad in it. Let us revere and love the living God. And from a sincere heart let us love one another. Amen.

Prayer

Closing Hymn #836 (verse 1)

Abide with Me

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Abide with me: fast falls the eventide. The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide!

When other helpers fail and comforts flee, help of the helpless, O abide with me.

Benediction

You are invited to remain in the Sanctuary for prayer and meditation as long as you desire. When you leave, please do so in silence to allow others the opportunity for quiet prayer.

*Those who are able, please stand.