# The Worship of God Sight, Sound and Silence: Still Lent

April 18, 2019 MAUNDY THURSDAY Six Thirty O'Clock

In preparation for this service of worship, meditate upon the poem printed on the cover of the order of worship.

### **MEDITATION**

ORGAN PRELUDE: Chorale Prelude on *The Passion Chorale*J. S. Bach
CHORAL INTROIT

UBI CARITAS

Ubi cáritas et ámor, ubi cáritas Déus ibi est.

Live in charity and steadfast love, live in charity; God will dwell with you.

#### \* THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: Why have you come to this place?

People: To worship the Lord and receive blessing from God.

Minister: Why have you come on this night?

People: To remember Jesus' sacrifice and his love for us.

Minister: Why have you gathered around this table?

People: Because it is a banquet of love and a feast of salvation.
Minister: Are you willing to eat this bread and drink this cup?
People: With God's help, his forgiveness, and his mercy, we are.
Minister: So be it. Let us worship the Lord in spirit and in truth!

\* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 202: "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" PASSION CHORALE (The congregation rises as the organist begins the hymn.)

THE INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

#### **PROCLAMATION**

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Exodus 12:1-14

\* HYMN 210: "Ah, Holy Iesus, How Hast Thou Offended" HERZLIEBSTER IESU

THE GOSPEL LESSON: John 13:1-17, 31b-35

HOMILY: "A Sense of Place" Rev. Edwards

ANTHEM: "None Other Lamb"

Craig Courtney

None other Lamb, none other Name, none other Hope in heav'n or earth or sea, none other hiding place from guilt and shame, none beside thee. My faith burns low, my hope burns low; only my heart's desire cries out in me, by the deep thunder of its want and woe cries out to thee. Lord, thou art life, tho' I be dead; Love's fire thou art, however cold I be: nor heav'n have I, nor place to lay my head, nor home, but thee. None other Lamb.

Christina G. Rossetti

#### THE CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

## THE RESPONSIVE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Minister: Merciful God, our sure hope on earth and in heaven, we confess to you

and to each other that we are sinners who need a most patient and

generous Savior.

People: We have not loved you without reserve, we have not loved others

without conditions, we have not even loved our own souls.

Minister: We have spread folly rather than wisdom, anxiety instead of trust, and

we have allowed ignorance and prejudice to misshape our words and

deeds.

People: We have subtly crucified good things that emerge from others and

from our own hearts. We have wounded Christ, not with cruel actions alone, but with a horde of small betrayals and compromises.

Minister: As we repent and seek your costly grace; please let forgiveness,

cleansing, and much spiritual repair happen in us this day.

All: Grant us your grace through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

HANDBELL MEDITATION: Amazing Grace

arr. Sandra Eithun

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND THE CUP

You are invited to come forward to receive communion. Forming two lines, please use the center aisle as you approach the altar and the side aisles as you return to your seat. If you prefer to remain seated, a Deacon will serve you. This evening we will take the bread and the cup by intinction, dipping the bread into the common cup. You will take a piece of bread from the plate offered by a Deacon and dip it into the chalice offered by one of the ministers. You may then place the bread in your mouth. A common response when taking communion is to say, "Thanks be to God." or a simple, "Amen."

ANTHEM: "Stay With Us"

Egil Hovland

Stay with us, Lord Jesus, stay with us, it soon is evening, and night is falling. Jesus Christ, the world's true light! Shine so the darkness cannot overcome it! Stay with us, Lord Jesus, it soon is evening. Stay with us, Lord Jesus, for night is falling. Let your light pierce the darkness and fill your church with its glory.

#### THE PASSION OF OUR LORD

THE PASSION READING: Matthew 26:36-56

THE EXTINGUISHING OF THE LIGHT

HANDBELL MEDITATION: When I Survey the Wondrous Cross arr. Matthew Prins DEPARTURE IN SILENCE

<sup>\*</sup> Congregation stands.

LAKESIDE AT WORSHIP Good Friday, April 19 Prayer Service - 12:00 p.m.

Resurrection Sunday, April 21 Sunrise Service - Spring Arbor - 7:15 a.m. Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Easter Worship - 11:00 a.m.

## FLOWERING THE CROSS

For our celebration on Easter Sunday, April 21, there will be a "Flowering Cross" in the Lehman Courtyard. We invite you to bring cut flowers from your own yard (if possible) and place them on the cross before worship begins as a witness to the new life offered to us through Christ's Resurrection.

## THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Elizabeth Edwards Associate Minister Maggie Paszek Acolyte Amy Shortt Minister of Music Chase Joyner Torch Bearer Phil Valera Guest Organist Georgia Morris Crucifer



## Silent God

This is my prayer— That, though I may not see, I be aware Of the Silent God Who stands by me. That, though I may not feel, I be aware Of the Mighty Love Which doggedly follows me. That, though I may not respond, I be aware That God—my Silent, Mighty God, Waits each day. Quietly, hopefully, persistently. Waits each day and through each night For me. For me—alone.

Edwina Gateley There Was No Path So I Trod One (1996, 2013)

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