

Maundy Thursday  
April 18, 2019 | 7:30 p.m.

*“I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.” (John 13:34-35)*

Prelude                      *Ah, Holy Jesus*                      arr. Chesterton  
   Olga Teutler

Welcome and Call to Worship                      Reverend Stephen Gray

Leader: On this night, Jesus called his disciples to gather with him in the upper room.

**People: On this night, Jesus taught his disciples servant lessons, and as he had done for them, they were to do for others.**

Leader: On this night, Jesus took the loaf and cup and shared them with his disciples in remembrance of him.

**People: On this night, Jesus prayed for deliverance, yet affirmed His calling to do His Father’s will.**

Leader: On this night, Jesus was arrested, abused, and subjected to the taunting injustice of the righteous.

**People: On this night, we gather to receive, remember, reflect, and repent, for in the shadow of the cross there is hope.**

\* Invocation    Rev. Gray

\* Hymn #143    *What Wondrous Love Is This*

Unison Prayer

*Create in each of us  
a kneeling place,  
where we may empty ourselves  
of our self-importance  
and become vulnerable  
to your Word to us.*

*Help us set our faces firmly  
against friendly suggestions  
for safe, expedient lives  
and toward the risk of discipleship.  
Loosen our grip on certainties  
that smother possibilities.  
Forgive our resistance to change.*

*Let us pursue the adventure  
of losing our lives  
in order to find them in you.  
Guide us to follow  
the way of the cross  
where despair is transformed  
by the promise of new life  
and where we are compelled  
to intercede for those  
who have more pain in their lives than hope.*

*When we are too eager to be “better than”...  
when we are too rushed to care...  
when we are too tired to bother...  
when we are too preoccupied to listen...  
when we are too quick to act  
from motives other than compassion  
transform us,  
hold our feet in the fire of your Lenten grace,  
so we can see our actions  
in the light of your costly love.  
Amen.*

(from *Prayers and Litanies for the Christian Seasons* by Sharlande Sledge)

Scripture Lesson                      Exodus 12:1-14                      Jean Purkey

Psalm                      Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19                      Jeanette Meyers

Scripture Lesson                      1 Corinthians 11:23-26                      Eddie Maguire

\* Hymn #156 *Were You There* (vv. 1-3)

Prayer for Illumination Rebecca Larson

\* Gospel Lesson John 13:1-17, 31b-35 Rebecca Larson

Message “*God Moves...from the Table*” Rev. Gray

Footwashing

Scripture Lesson and Extinguishing of Candle Luke 22:7-23

The Supper of Our Lord

The Lord’s Prayer (unison)

Scripture Lesson and Extinguishing of Candle Luke 22:39-53

\* Hymn #144 *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

*Go in peace. May Jesus Christ, who for our sake became obedient unto death, even death on a cross, keep you and strengthen you this night and for ever. Amen.*

Depart in Silence

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To continue your journey:

Friday night: read Luke’s story of Peter’s denials and desertion; then read Luke’s story of Jesus’ suffering; and then finally, read Luke’s story of Jesus’ death.

Saturday: reflect in silence.

Sunday morning: read Luke’s story of the empty tomb, and sing your favorite Easter hymn (or two).

*(Adapted from the SALT Project “Tenebrae Wreath”)*



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