

Celebration of Worship

Maundy Thursday

April 17, 2025

7:00 P.M.

*We are followers of Jesus Christ, living and sharing
the love of God through faith and action, welcoming all.*

GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude

Reflection

John 13:34-35

*"A new command I give you; Love one another. As I have
loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone
will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."*

Call to Worship

Leader: We gather tonight to tell the old, old story -

**People: A story of bitterness and betrayal, of despair, denial
and death.**

Leader: We gather tonight to tell an even older story prepared
before the worlds began -

**People: A story of love powerful enough to rewrite our endings
with the promise of new life.**

Leader: In the telling of the story, in the breaking of the bread, in the
coming of the night,

People: We draw near once more to Christ.

Hymn

Let Us Break Bread Together

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We Tell the Story

Mark 14:17-31

Barb Hach

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

We Take the Bread and the Cup

Invitation to the Table

The Words of Institution

Distribution of the Elements

Leader: ...A first breakfast, cooked fresh right there on the beach, to
prove to us that nothing, not even death, can separate us
from the love of God.

People: God is faithful. So faithful. Then, now and forever. Amen.

We Tell the Story

Mark 14:32-42

Sally Turner

Special Music *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

Bell Quartet

arr. Kevin
McChesney

We Join with Jesus in Prayer

Introduction:

Leader: In your love, Lord, **hear our prayers.**

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

We Tell the Story

Mark 14:43-52

Kathy Barbehenn

Time of Confession

Call to Confession

Leader: God, your faithfulness to us is so great that we cannot help
but fall short. Yet still we confess our sins out of the hope
you yourself gave us: that you still set us a place for us at
the banquet of grace and feed us with forgiveness and
mercy, no matter what we have done, no matter what we
may yet do. And so, tonight, we confess, and we put our
trust in you.

Prayer of Confession

**All: For every time you asked us to stay with you and we
wandered away, forgive us. For every time we fell asleep
on the job of being your disciples, forgive us. For every
time we boasted of our loyalty yet crept away, betrayed, or
denied you, forgive us. For every time we hear this story
and think, "we would do better," forgive us. For every time
we meet your faithfulness with faithlessness, forgive us.**

**God, your love for us is unfathomably deep, that you would
take all our failures and still love us as friends. May we take
the gift of your forgiveness and share it with the world that
you made and loved so much. Amen.**

Assurance of Forgiveness

Leader: Friends, the story we tell tonight is a story of the deepest
love; love that would offer forgiveness even to the traitor at
its right hand. The bread was for us; the cup, for us; the
cross, for us. We are forgiven, not easily, but the hard way.
We are forgiven, not cheaply, but wholly.

**People: We are forgiven and we are freed. Praise be to God.
Amen.**

We Tell the Story

Mark 14:53-65

Brad Adams

Hymn

What Wondrous Love Is This

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We Tell the Story

Mark 14:66-72

Scott Hewlett

Hymn

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

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Benediction

We go out to wait for the Dawn

Leader: The light is failing. We are failing too. Yet the ancient
promise holds true. God does miracles at night, and in just
a few days, the dawn will break. The light of the world will
rise and we will see new life. Hold fast. The story is not
over.

People: Amen.

Postlude

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

April 17

Maundy Thursday

Communion

7:00 pm in the Chapel & Livestream

April 18

Good Friday

7:00 pm in the Chapel & Livestream

April 20

Easter Sunday

9:30 am in the Sanctuary & Livestream

Memory Verse

"Peace I leave you; my peace I give to you.

I do not give to you as the world gives.

Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid."

John 14:27

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April 17th - Maundy Thursday

Old Testament *Exodus 12:1-14*

Psalm *Psalms 116:1-2, 12-19*

New Testament *I Corinthians 11:23-26*

Gospel *John 13:1-17, 31b-35*

April 18th - Good Friday

Isaiah 52:13 – 53:12

Psalms 22

Hebrews 10:16-25

John 18:1 – 19:42

April 20th - Easter Sunday

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Psalm *Psalms 118:1-2, 14-24*

New Testament *I Corinthians 15:19-26*

Gospel *John 20:1-18*



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