

Maundy Thursday

April 6, 2023

7:00 p.m.

Entering God's Presence

Expressing Our Confidence in God's Grace

Leader: Amid all good things competing for our attention, where shall we go to find bread?

People: We come to the upper room, seeking a table prepared for Jesus' disciples.

Leader: Among all the activities we can choose, where shall we invest our time and efforts?

People: The church invites our discipleship, calling us into the Body of Christ.

Leader: Among all who claim our loyalty, who encompasses the whole of life and truth?

People: God in Christ offers us wholeness, bringing all the pieces of our lives together.

*Procession **Of the Father's Love Begotten** (Hymn 108) DIVINUM MYSTERIUM

Call to Confession and Prayer of Confession (unison)

Merciful God, we are torn between the drama of Good Friday and the feast Christ spreads before us. We come with the sorrowful question, "Is it I?" We know the answer, for we have denied and betrayed. We have broken covenant and turned from grace. We are ruled by what seems to work at the moment, not by eternal truths. How can we ask for forgiveness when we find it so difficult to change? Gracious God, deliver us. Loving Savior, pardon us and transform us.

Time of Silence and Personal Confession

Lenten Wreath **Wait for the Lord** (Hymn 90) Taizé
(The sixth candle on the Lenten Wreath is extinguished for the Sixth Sunday in Lent)

The Assurance of Pardon

Foot Washing Ceremony

In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful (Hymn 654) Taizé

Hebrew Scriptures

Isaiah 53:1-9 (NRSV) [You will find the text on page 642-643 in the pew Bible.]

Bless the Lord, My Soul (Hymn 544)

Gospel Lesson

John 13:3-17 (NRSV) [You will find the text on page 101 in the pew Bible.]

O Lord, Hear My Prayer (Hymn 471)

Meditation

The Rev. Vance E. Polley

*Passing of the Peace

Jesus, Remember Me

Taizé

Jesus, remember me when you come into your Kingdom.

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Prayer of Thanksgiving, concluding with *The Lord's Prayer*

The Lord's Supper

(All who are baptized are invited to share in *The Lord's Supper*. Communion is served by intinction, taking a piece of bread and then dipping it into the cup. The wafers in the basket are gluten-free.)

Prayer after Communion

*Hymn 544

Day Is Done

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Stripping of the Church

(The pulpit parament is removed.)

*Recessional

(The congregation may depart in silence.)

*All those who are able, please stand.

Friday, April 7th

Good Friday

7:30 p.m. *Service of Shadows*

Sunday, April 9th

Easter

6:30 a.m. *Community Sunrise Service on the beach*

9:00 a.m. *Celebration of the Resurrection*

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Please bring cut flowers for *Flowering the Cross* by the front door of the church on Easter

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