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Maundy Thursday

April 1, 2021, 7:00PM

PRELUDE

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Liturgist: Jesus calls us to the feast.

**People: We come,
ready to join his disciples at the table of grace.**

Liturgist: Jesus calls us to join him in love and service.

People: We come, ready to wash one another's feet.

Liturgist: Jesus shows us how to love one another.

People: We come, ready to worship the God who calls us.

***OPENING HYMN** 384 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

***OPENING PRAYER**

God of Moses and Miriam,

God of those who followed Jesus

from Galilee to Jerusalem,

God of all who call on you today—

you delivered the Israelites from bondage in Egypt,

keeping them safe from harm,

as they ate the bread of affliction,

seasoned with salty tears and bitter herbs.

Today, you continue to hear the voices

of all who live in fear and pain,

offering them the bread of life

and the cup of salvation,

as a promise to deliver them

from despair and anguish.

As we remember the last meal

that Jesus shared with his disciples,

give us the courage to live as servant,

to love the world as you have loved us,

and to pour out our lives

as members of the body of Christ.

Amen.

JOYS CONCERNS PRAYERS

***SCRIPTURE READINGS** John 13:1-17, 31b-35 CEB

¹“Before the Festival of Passover, Jesus knew that his time had come to leave this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them fully.

In Our Prayers..

Marjorie Solberg

Nancy Hunsaker

Gloria Lee (Shin)

Bev Schmidt

Burt & Carol Hersom

Lincoln Coakley

-(grandson of Joann Coakley)

Irene Goff

Carol Ensley

Steve & Lynne Farnsworth

Deb Nissen

-(sister-in-law of Deb Wickman)

**Those who have been hospitalized or are in long term care facilities*

**Hospital & nursing/assisted care facility staff, essential workers, & our military members.*

**All individual prayer requests will be listed for 6 weeks. At which time they will be removed from the list. If you wish for a name to remain, be removed, or to be put back on the list, contact the church office at 712-852-2154.*

Thank You!

²Jesus and his disciples were sharing the evening meal. The devil had already provoked Judas, Simon Iscariot's son, to betray Jesus. ³Jesus knew the Father had given everything into his hands and that he had come from God and was returning to God. ⁴So he got up from the table and took off his robes. Picking up a linen towel, he tied it around his waist. ⁵Then he poured water into a washbasin and began to wash the disciples' feet, drying them with the towel he was wearing. ⁶When Jesus came to Simon Peter, Peter said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" ⁷Jesus replied, "You don't understand what I'm doing now, but you will understand later."

⁸"No!" Peter said. "You will never wash my feet!"

Jesus replied, "Unless I wash you, you won't have a place with me."

⁹Simon Peter said, "Lord, not only my feet but also my hands and my head!"

¹⁰Jesus responded, "Those who have bathed need only to have their feet washed, because they are completely clean. You disciples are clean, but not every one of you." ¹¹He knew who would betray him. That's why he said, "Not every one of you is clean."

¹²After he washed the disciples' feet, he put on his robes and returned to his place at the table. He said to them, "Do you know what I've done for you? ¹³You call me 'Teacher' and 'Lord,' and you speak correctly, because I am. ¹⁴If I, your Lord and teacher, have washed your feet, you too must wash each other's feet. ¹⁵I have given you an example: Just as I have done, you also must do. ¹⁶I assure you, servants aren't greater than their master, nor are those who are sent greater than the one who sent them. ¹⁷Since you know these things, you will be happy if you do them.

^{31b}"Now the Human One has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. ³²If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify the Human One in himself and will glorify him immediately. ³³Little children, I'm with you for a little while longer. You will look for me—but, just as I told the Jewish leaders, I also tell you now—'Where I'm going, you can't come.'

³⁴"I give you a new commandment: Love each other. Just as I have loved you, so you also must love each other. ³⁵This is how everyone will know that you are my disciples, when you love each other."

MESSAGE OF LIFE Hojin Shin "LOVE ONE ANOTHER"

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Wellspring of Love, Source of Compassion,
Teacher of Truth,
you call us to wash the feet of others
as you have washed ours,
yet we are often unwilling
to kneel at the feet of our friends,
preferring to be served

rather than to serve.
You invite us to join all of creation at your feast,
yet we are unwilling to make room at our table
for someone we do not know.
You pour yourself out for the sake of the whole world,
yet we are often unwilling to let go
of our selfish desires.
Forgive us and free us from our unwillingness
to find our true life as the body of Christ
a body given for the healing of the world. Amen.

***WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

Hear the good news:
God washes our souls with love and grace
before we even ask.
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.
Glory to God. Amen.

***PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

Jesus taught us to love one another as his disciples,
so let us greet one another with signs of peace.
The peace of Christ be with you.
The peace of Christ be with you always.

***GREAT THANKSGIVING**

Christ be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to God.
Let us give our thanks to the Holy One.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.
It is a right, good, and a joyful thing
always and everywhere to give our thanks to you,
who saved the Israelites from slavery in Egypt
and who continues to hear the voice of your people
in times of trouble.
We give you thanks for the gifts of life and love,
for your promise to feed us with your holy Word
and to make us into members of the body of Christ.
And so, with your creatures on earth
and all the heavenly chorus,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.

What Does Maundy Thursday mean?

Maundy Thursday is an alternate name for Holy Thursday, the first of the three days of solemn remembrance of the events leading up to and immediately following the crucifixion of Jesus. The English word "Maundy" comes from the Latin *mandatum*, which means "commandment."

As recorded in John's gospel, on his last night before his betrayal and arrest, Jesus washed the feet of his disciples and then gave them a new commandment to love one another as he had loved them (John 13:34). This is why services on this night generally include the washing of feet or other acts of physical care as an integral part of the celebration.

While John's gospel does not record the institution of the Lord's Supper among the events of this night, the other gospels do. This is why Christians have traditionally observed this night both at the basin (footwashing) and at the Lord's Table (Holy Communion).

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Upcoming Liturgists

4/1 Michelle Kogel
4/2 Marilyn Carlstrom
4/4 (E)Sarah Frederick
(R)Deb Wickman
4/11 Sarah Strohma
4/18 Danielle Ditch
4/25 Jodi Ward

**Blessed is the one
who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Holy are you, and holy is your child, Jesus Christ,
who walked among us from Galilee to Jerusalem
and who continues to live in us today,
showing us your face in the faces of those
whose feet we wash
and in your power of love to heal all things.

On the night in which he gave himself up,
Jesus took bread, broke it, saying:

"Take, eat, all of you.

This is my body, broken for you.

Whenever you eat it,

do so in remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup, saying:

"This is the cup of the new covenant,
poured out for the healing of the world.

Whenever you drink it,

do so in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of your mighty acts
in Jesus Christ, we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us,

and on these gifts of bread and wine.

Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ,

that we may be the body of Christ

to a world that is aching

and yearning to be made whole.

Teacher of Truth, Wellspring of Love,

Source of Compassion,

we praise your healing, gracious name.

Amen.

***GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP**

OFFERING

***DOXOLOGY** 95 Praise God, From Who All Blessings Flow

***CLOSING HYMN** 453 More Love to Thee, O Christ

***BLESSING**

SONG OF SENDING FORTH 2108 O How He Loves You and Me (verse 1)

POSTLUDE

You are invited
To participate in a
*Journey to
the Cross*

*An Interactive
Prayer Walk*

Family Life Center

From 8am-8pm

Thursday-Saturday

Take an introspective journey
from the dawn of creation
and humankind's fall from
grace,
to Christ's sacrifice
at the cross
and the forgiveness
we have received
through God's gift of grace