



# Maundy Thursday Worship

March 29, 2018

7:00 p.m.

Prelude *'Tis Midnight and on Olive's Brow*

The Greeting

Leader: The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

\*Call to Worship (from Psalm 103)

Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name.

**Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits-**

who forgives all your iniquity,

**who heals all your diseases.**

The steadfast love of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting on those who fear him,

**And his righteousness to children's children, to those who keep his covenant and remember to do his commandments.**

\*The Prayer of the Day

**God of love, during Holy Week, we give you thanks for this night Jesus shared with his disciples. Though even now we do not fully understand, we long to follow his example: to serve as he served, to love as he loved. Jesus promised that if we know these things and do them, we will be blessed. Help us, then, to know and to do all that Jesus taught. Amen.**

\* Hymn 202 *An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare*

Call to Confession (Romans 5:8)

“The proof of God's amazing love is this: While we were yet sinners Christ died for us.” Because we have faith in Him, we dare to approach God's throne with confidence. Let us confess our sin before God and one another. Let us pray.

Prayer of Confession (unison)

**Eternal God, whose new covenant with us began in Jesus Christ, we confess that we make mistakes and do not live up to your expectations. Though you have offered yourself to us, we hesitate to offer ourselves to you. In Jesus Christ, you serve us freely, but we refuse your love and withhold ourselves from others. We do not love you fully or love one another as you command.**

**In your mercy, forgive and cleanse us. Lead us once again to your grace in Christ, who is the bread of life and the vine from which we grow in abundance. Amen.** (time for silent confession)

Assurance of Forgiveness

The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. The saying is worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

**He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, that we might be dead to sin, and alive to all that is good. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

Scripture Lesson – John 13:1-17, 31b-37

Homily “From God; to God”

Anthem

*The Upper Room*

Besig

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table

Epiclesis (Sung by all, three times)

**O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer.**

**When I call, answer me. O Lord, hear my prayer**

**O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and listen to me.**

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Lord's Prayer

The Lord be with you! **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Let us pray: Creator God...

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Words of Institution and Sharing of Bread and Wine

Prayer after Communion

\*Hymn 220 *Go to Dark Gethsemane*

\*Benediction

\*Postlude *What Wondrous Love Is This*

Wood

*Everyone is encouraged to come to the Good Friday service tomorrow night at 7:00 in the sanctuary.*