Maundy Thursday Service



March 28, 2024

Order of Service

Welcome, Call to Worship, & Opening Prayer

Lent is a season of preparation and repentance during which we anticipate the joy of Easter by remembering the suffering and death of Jesus Christ. In this service our hope is to practice the habits of reflection, confession, repentance and silence as we turn from our sin, deepen our understanding of our union with Christ and remember that our life comes through His death.

Songs

ONLY A HOLY GOD

Who else commands all the hosts of heaven Who else could make every king bow down Who else can whisper and darkness trembles Only a Holy God

What other beauty demands such praises What other splendor outshines the sun What other majesty rules with justice Only a Holy God

Come and behold Him, The One and the Only Cry out sing holy Forever a Holy God, Come and worship the Holy God

What other glory consumes like fire What other power can raise the dead What other name remains undefeated Only a Holy God Who else could rescue me from my failing Who else would offer His only Son Who else invites me to call Him Father Only a Holy God Only my Holy God

Scriptural Meditation - John 13:1-17

Prayer of Confession, Assurance, and Repentance

CONFESSION

Father, on the night he was betrayed, your Son Jesus Christ commanded us to love one another just as He has loved us. We confess that so often our discipleship has been weak. We have failed to serve as Jesus served; *Forgive us.*

We have failed to love one another as Jesus loves us; *Forgive us.*

We have been happy to proclaim our devotion to Jesus with our lips and then denied him by our actions; *Forgive us.*

ASSURANCE

Church, hear the good news this morning: In Jesus Christ, we are loved and have been washed and forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

REPENTANCE

Father, on this, the night he was betrayed, your Son Jesus Christ washed his disciples' feet. We commit ourselves to follow his example of love and service. *Lord, hear us and humble us.* On this night, he prayed for his disciples to be one. We pray for the unity of your Church. *Lord, hear us and unite us.*

On this night, he prayed for those who were to believe through their ministry. We pray for the mission of your Church. *Lord, hear us and renew our zeal.*

On this night, he commanded them to love, but suffered rejection himself. We pray for the rejected and unloved. *Lord, hear us and fill us with your love.*

On this night, he reminded them that if the world hated them it hated him first. We pray for those who are persecuted for their faith. *Lord, hear us and give us your peace.*

And until you make all things new, answer us in the day of trouble, O God, so that we may lift up the cup of salvation in the presence of your people, giving thanks for all your goodness to us.

We pray and wait and look to you, through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Silent Reflection

Songs

YOU HOLD IT ALL

God, we bring you the work of our hands now Lay it down, lay it at Your feet What we've done, where we've been, what we've bro-ken Lay it down, lay it at Your feet You hold it all Jesus You hold it all Worried hearts, wearied hands, weakened bo-dy Lay them down, lay it at Your feet What we used, what we lost, what we wa-sted Lay it down, lay it at Your feet

You hold it all Jesus, You hold it all You hold it all, Jesus, You hold it all

All our plans, all our dreams, our ambition Lay them down, lay them at Your feet Even if nothing comes to fruition Lay them down, lay it at Your feet Lay it down, lay it at Your feet

HOW DEEP THE FATHER'S LOVE FOR US

How deep the Father's love for us How vast beyond all measure That He should give His only Son To make a wretch His treasure

How great the pain of searing loss The Father turns His face away As wounds which mar the Chosen One Bring many sons to glory

Behold the man upon a cross My sin upon His shoulders Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice Call out among the scoffers

It was my sin that held Him there Until it was accomplished His dying breath has brought me life I know that it is finished

I will not boast in anything No gifts, no power, no wisdom But I will boast in Jesus Christ His death and resurrection

Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer But this I know with all my heart His wounds have paid my ransom

GREAT ARE YOU LORD

You give life, You are love You bring light to the darkness You give hope, You restore Every heart that is broken Great are You, Lord

It's Your breath in our lungs So we pour out our praise We pour out our praise It's Your breath in our lungs So we pour out our praise to You only

And all the earth will shout Your praise Our hearts will cry, these bones will sing Great are You, Lord

Benediction

DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost