



Maundy Thursday 6:30pm

WELCOME

Welcome in the Name of Christ.

We come as different people, united in Christ as a family.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us proclaim the goodness of creation:

Out of darkness came light;

And the power of God was revealed in the running wave and the flowing air, in the quiet earth and the shining stars.

Our of the dust came life;

And the image of God was revealed in the human face and the gentle heart, in the warmth of flesh and the depth of soul.

Out of justice came freedom;

And the wisdom of God revealed in the need to grow and the will to love, in the power to know and receive all as gifts of God.

And God looked upon creation,

And behold, it was very good.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Giving God, you blessed us with saltiness,

But we became bland.

You trusted us with your Word,

But we did not keep it.

You lit a flame in our midst,

But we smothered it with our fears.

God, in your mercy:

Forgive us.

Forgiving God, we believe that you have called us

To be salt and light;

Forgiving God, we believe that you offer us time and space and strength

To begin again.

Giving and forgiving God,

We thank you for restoring us in Christ.

HYMN: *Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling* (ELW 608)

1 Soft - ly and ten - der - ly Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing for
 2 Why should we tar - ry when Je - sus is plead - ing, plead - ing for
 3 Oh, for the won - der - ful love he has prom - ised, prom - ised for

you and for me. See, on the por - tals he's wait - ing and watch - ing,
 you and for me? Why should we lin - ger and heed not his mer - cies,
 you and for me! Though we have sinned, he has mer - cy and par - don,

Refrain

watch - ing for you and for me.
 mer - cies for you and for me? "Come home, come home!
 par - don for you and for me. Come home, come home!

You who are wea - ry, come home." Ear - nest - ly, ten - der - ly,

Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing, "O sin - ner, come home!"

PRAYER FOR MAUNDY THURSDAY

Let us pray together.

Living God, our loving parent, you cherish your creation and we praise you.

With our lips, with our lives, in all our diversity, each one made in your image, we praise you.

Poor as we are, you give us hope.

Salt of the earth, you give us meaning and purpose and we praise you. Amen.

LITANY OF HEALING

Let us name before God those for whom we offer our prayers, aloud or in the silence of our hearts.

God the Father, your will for all people is health and salvation;

Have mercy on us.

God the Son, who came that we might have life, and have it more abundantly;

Have mercy on us.

God the Spirit, whose temple our bodies are;

Have mercy on us.

Holy Trinity, in whom we live, and move, and have our being;

Have mercy on us.

Jesus Lamb of God:

Have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins:

Have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer of the world:

Give us your peace.

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases.

God's mercies never come to an end.

READING: Isaiah 43:1-4b

¹ But now thus says the Lord,
he who created you, O Jacob,
he who formed you, O Israel:

“Fear not, for I have redeemed you;

I have called you by name, you are mine.

² When you pass through the waters I will be with you;
and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;
when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,
and the flame shall not consume you.

³ For I am the Lord your God,
 the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.
 I give Egypt as your ransom,
 Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you,
⁴ Because you are precious in my eyes,
 and honored, and I love you.

Word of God, word of life.
Thanks be to God.

HYMN: *The King of Love My Shepherd Is* (ELW 502)

1 The King of love my shep - herd is, whose good - ness
 2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, my ran - somed
 3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, but yet in
 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill, with thee, dear

fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
 soul he lead - eth and, where the ver - dant
 love he sought me, and on his shoul - der
 Lord, be - side me, thy rod and staff my

I am his and he is mine for - ev - er.
 pas - tures grow, with food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
 gent - ly laid, and home, re - joic - ing, brought me.
 com - fort still; thy cross, be - fore to guide me.

5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight;
 thine unction grace bestoweth;
 and, oh, what transport of delight
 from thy pure chalice floweth!

6 And so, through all the length of days,
 thy goodness faileth never.
 Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise
 within thy house forever.

GOSPEL: Mark 14:12-17, 22-26,32-36

The holy gospel according to St. Mark, the fourteenth chapter.

¹²On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb is sacrificed, his disciples said to him, "Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?" ¹³So he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, "Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you; follow him, ¹⁴and wherever he enters, say to the owner of the house, 'The Teacher asks, Where is my guest room where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?' ¹⁵He will show you a large room upstairs, furnished and ready. Make preparations for us there." ¹⁶So the disciples set out and went to the city, and found everything as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover meal.

¹⁷When it was evening, he came with the twelve. ²²While they were eating, he took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to them, and said, "Take; this is my body." ²³Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, and all of them drank from it. ²⁴He said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. ²⁵Truly I tell you, I will never again drink of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God."

²⁶When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. ³²They went to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples, "Sit here while I pray." ³³He took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be distressed and agitated. ³⁴And he said to them, "I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and keep awake." ³⁵And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. ³⁶He said, "Abba, Father, for you all things are possible; remove this cup from me; yet, not what I want, but what you want."

SERMON

HYMN: *You Are Mine* (ELW 581)



1 "I will come to you in the si - lence,
 2 "I am hope for all who are hope - less,
 3 "I am strength for all the de - spair - ing,
 (4) am the Word that leads all to free - dom, I



I will lift you from all your fear.
 I am eyes for all who long to see. (2) In the
 heal - ing for the ones who dwell in shame.
 am the peace the world can - not give.



You will hear my voice, I claim you as my choice. Be
 shad - ows of the night, I will be your light.
 All the blind will see, the lame will all run free, and
 I will call your name, em - brac - ing all your pain. Stand



still and know I am here. *To stanza 2*
 Come and rest in me. *To refrain*
 all will know my name. *To refrain*
 up, now walk and live! *To refrain*



Refrain
 Do not be a - fraid, I am with you. I have called you each by



name. Come and fol - low me, I will bring you home; I



To stanzas 3 and 4
 love you and you are mine."

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus,
and especially for all who are in any affliction.

God of tenderness and compassion,
on the night before he died,
Jesus set a table for his disciples.
They took off their sandals
and sat down in the presence of their
Teacher and Lord,
who washed their feet, one by one.

**We pray for people whose feet are tired
and dusty from hard labor;
for those whose backs are bent by care and worry;
for those laid low by illness or guilt or grief.
Wash away, we pray,
the tiredness of our bodies and souls.**

Hold gently in your healing hands
the broken places in our lives.
**Be our company in isolation,
our source of hope in despair,
and the way forward at every dead end.**

In your great mercy,
hear us, O God.

O God, we bring these intercessions before you,
knowing that you will hear us as you have promised,
and will answer according to the mercy
shown in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

PEACE

Have salt in yourselves.
Let us be at peace with one another.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

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 trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us;

and lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory,

forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION

We are all invited to share in the Feast. At this table we come as brothers and sisters in the Holy Family of God. Taste and see that God is good.

COMMUNION AND LAYING ON OF HANDS

White grape juice and gluten-free wafers are available.

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

and each person may respond

Amen.

COMMUNION AND LAYING ON OF HANDS MUSIC: *Jesus, Lover of My Soul* (Charles Wesley)



Je - sus, lov - er of my soul, let me to thy
Oth - er ref - uge have I none; hangs my help-less
Plen teous grace with thee is found, grace to cov - er



bo - som fly, while the near - er wa - ters roll,
soul on thee; leave, ah! leave me not a - lone,
all my sin; let the heal - ing streams a - bound;



while the tem - pest still is high; hide me, O my Sav ior, hide,
still sup - port and com - fort me. All my trust on thee is stayed,
make and keep me pure with - in. Thou of life the foun tain art;



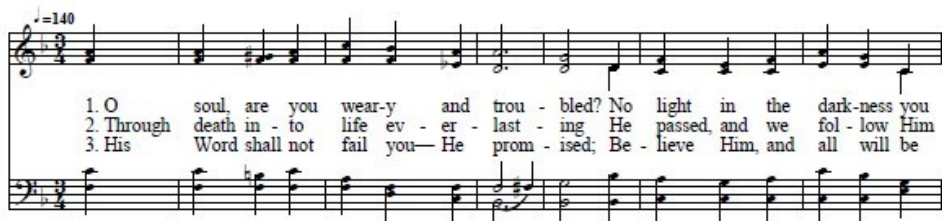
till the storm of life is past; safe in - to the
all my help from thee I bring; cov - er my de -
free - ly let me take of thee; spring thou up with -



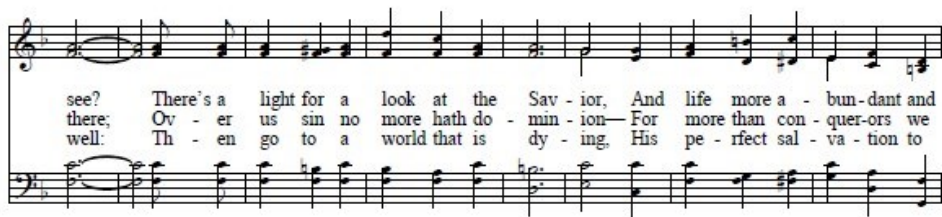
ha - ven guide, O re - ceive my soul at last!
fense-less head with the shad - ow of thy wing.
in my heart, rise to all e - ter - ni - ty.

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus (Helen Howarth Lemmel)

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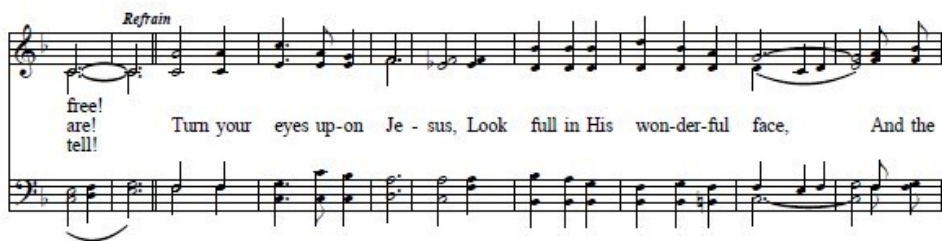


1. O soul, are you wear-y and trou - bled? No light in the dark-ness you
2. Through death in - to life ev - er - last - ing He passed, and we fol - low Him
3. His Word shall not fail you— He prom - ised; Be - lieve Him, and all will be



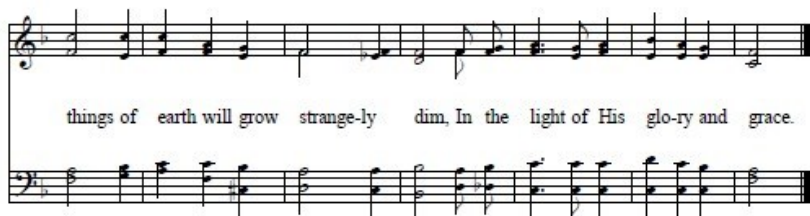
see? There's a light for a look at the Sav - ior, And life more a - bun - dant and
there; Ov - er us sin no more hath do - min - ion— For more than con - quer - ors we
well: Th - en go to a world that is dy - ing, His pe - rfect sal - va - tion to

Refrain



free!
are!
tell!

Turn your eyes up-on Je - sus, Look full in His won - der - ful face, And the



things of earth will grow strange-ly dim, In the light of His glo-ry and grace.

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

Giving God, bless all who have gathered around this table.

May we know the fullness of your presence at every meal and in all our sharing. Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray together.

As we have shared this bread, we thank you God, for our daily bread, for the food which delights and nourishes us, and for the companionship that sustains us. As we have poured out this wine, we thank you too for drink to quench our thirst and for the Living Water with which you surprise and enrich and transform our lives. We give thank for this feast at which we can share, a foretaste of the Feast to come. Amen.

BLESSING

The God of all consolation bless you in every way,
grant you hope all the days of your life,
restore you to health and grant you salvation,
fill your heart with peace,
and lead you to eternal life.

Almighty God bless you, the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

This evening we gather with Christians around the world to celebrate the Three Days of Jesus' death and resurrection. Tonight the central focus is Christ's commandment that we live out the promise embodied in his last meal with his disciples, transformed by the mercy we have received. Life and death stand side by side as we enter into Good Friday.

PSALM 22

STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR

Departing worship in solemn silence, we anticipate the coming days.