

The Service of Worship
Maundy Thursday
April 9th, 2020, 7:00 p.m.

Welcome and Announcements

1st Scripture Lesson

Matthew 26:1-13

Hymn

#292 What Wondrous Love Is this

**What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,
what wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul.**

**What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,
what wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this, that caused the Lord of life
to lay aside his crown for my soul, for my soul,
to lay aside his crown for my soul.**

Folk Hymn

Opening Prayer (in unison)

O Living God, who came to us in Jesus Christ and died that we might live. Truly his death was not an accident or a tragedy. Rather he laid down his life of his own accord. On this night on which we are scattered and yet gathered, help us each to appreciate the depth of Christ's love for us, that we might love Him in return. This we pray in Jesus' Name. Amen.

2nd Scripture Lesson

Matthew 26:17-30

Hymn

622 There is a Fountain

**There is a fountain filled with blood
Drawn from Immanuel's veins;
And sinners, plunged beneath that flood,
Lose all their guilty stains:**

**Lose all their guilty stains,
Lose all their guilty stains;
And sinners, plunged beneath that flood,
Lose all their guilty stains.**

**The dying thief rejoiced to see
That fountain in his day;
And there may I, though vile as he,
Wash all my sins away:
Wash all my sins away,
Wash all my sins away;
And there may I, though vile as he,
Wash all my sins away.**

**Dear dying Lamb, Thy precious blood
Shall never lose its pow'r,
Till all the ransomed Church of God
Be saved, to sin no more:
Be saved, to sin no more,
Be saved, to sin no more;
Till all the ransomed Church of God
Be saved to sin no more.**

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Message

Why Not Take Communion Now?

Pastor Barnes

3rd Scripture Lesson

Matthew 26:36-46

Hymn

#289 Ah, Holy Jesus

**Ah, holy Jesus, how hast thou offended,
that we to judge thee have in hate pretended?
By foes derided, by thine own rejected,
O most afflicted!**

**Who was the guilty? Who brought this upon thee?
Alas, my treason, Jesus, hath undone thee!
'Twas I, Lord Jesus, I it was denied thee;
I crucified thee.**

**Lo, the Good Shepherd for the sheep is offered;
the slave hath sinned, and the Son hath suffered.
For our atonement, while we nothing heeded,
God interceded.**

**For me, kind Jesus, was thy incarnation,
thy mortal sorrow, and thy life's oblation;
thy death of anguish and thy bitter passion,
for my salvation.**

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The Lord's Prayer (in unison)

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. Amen.

Sending Forth

**Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**