

# MURFREESBORO BAPTIST CHURCH

## *Maundy Thursday Service*

April 2, 2026

7:00 P.M.



**Dr. Mark E. Gaskins, Pastor**

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On Maundy Thursday the church remembers the last evening Jesus shared with his disciples in the upper room before his arrest and crucifixion. Maundy Thursday marks three events in Jesus' last week: his washing of his disciples' feet, his institution of the Lord's Supper, and his new commandment to love one another. Maundy Thursday comes from the Latin *mandatum novum* and refers to that "new commandment" Jesus shared with the disciples in John 13:34, *I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another.*

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Gathering for Worship

Prelude and Quiet Meditation

Paula Pressnell

Call to Worship

Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19

Mark Gaskins

Hymn No. 178

*How Deep the Father's Love for Us*

TOWNEND

Prayer of Confession

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father, as we gather to worship this holy evening, we are mindful of your Son's last supper with his disciples before his death. Like them, we have failed to understand fully his purpose. Like them, we have sought our own interests rather than your kingdom. And like them, we have failed in our loyalty to him. Forgive us, merciful Father, and cleanse us. Create in us a heart of understanding, faithfulness, and absolute loyalty. As we come to share in our Lord's Supper this evening, make your presence known to us through your Spirit, so that we might truly commune with Jesus as we remember his sacrifice for us; for we pray in his name. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

Old Testament Lesson

Exodus 12:1-14

Kayleigh Lance

The Word of God for the People of God.

**Thanks be to God!**

Hymn No. 190

*The Power of the Cross*

OH, TO SEE THE DAWN

Epistle Lesson

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Charlie Cole

The Word of God for the People of God.

**Thanks be to God!**

Hymn No. 462

*In Remembrance*

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Gospel Lesson

Matthew 26:20-46

Mark Gaskins

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**Praise his holy name!**

Sermon

The Agony of Gethsemane

Mark Gaskins

Holy Communion

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer

Anthem

*Surely He Hath Borne Our Grievs*

Victor C. Johnson

The Bread and Cup

Hymn 466

*Jesus, at Your Holy Table*  
(stanzas 1 & 2)

BEACH SPRING

Silent Meditation and Prayer

Hymn 186

*When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

HAMBURG

Stripping of the Sanctuary

Isaiah 53

Benediction

Mark Gaskins

Scattering in Remembrance and Reflection

