



First Presbyterian Church of Littleton



Now before the Feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that His hour had come that He should depart from this world to the Father, having loved His own who were in the world, He loved them to the end.

John 13:1 (NKJV)

Maundy Thursday, April 2, 2026

*Please be seated, silence all devices, and prepare yourself for worship.
All are welcome in this sacred space, including the wiggles and giggles!*

◆ PLEASE RISE IN BODY OR SPIRIT

PRELUDE Mary Dailey

PRELUDE HYMN 202 *An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare* Congregation

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Pastor Winslow

◆ SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The Peace of Christ be with you! **And also with you!**

~~~ GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE ~~~

◆ CALL TO WORSHIP

Jeff C

*One day the Rabbi, Lord Jesus, called the twelve to share His last meal.*

**For them He spent Himself to seek and to heal.**

*O what joy to be with Christ Jesus, hear His voice, O sheer delight!*

**And receive His servant care, all before the coming night.**

◆ HYMN 203

*Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love*

Congregation

~~~ LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD ~~~

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Jeff C

SCRIPTURE Mark 10:42-45 (NKJV)

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*we begin in silent confession and then pray together*)

On this night of Jesus' betrayal, in this moment before the confusion of His arrest, trial, and false condemnation...we acknowledge ourselves to be like Peter—scared disciples, only too willing to disown and deny You Lord—each time that we act in the selfishness of our sins. But even as we have been faithless, we know You have remained faithful. Receive us again Lord, with our broken spirits and contrite hearts, that even as the shadows of this night lengthen, we may gaze into the distance, towards the dawning light of Your love, forgiveness, and Resurrection Power. Amen!

was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you!

And also with you!

Lift up your hearts!

We lift them up to God!

Let us give thanks to God.

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

... Jesus—on this night, we follow You to Gethsemane, and there You pray in anguish, yet still trusting in the Father's plan

There we succumb to slumber, spirits willing, but weak in flesh

Jesus, You ask the Father if there is any other way

But then in the silence, You bow in resignation, ready to drink the bitter cup

And now we prepare, even in the midst of our own unworthiness, to come to Your table, just as those first disciples of long ago—ready to partake in the timeless symbols of love—bread and cup, which now in these sacred moments will become even more—a precious means of grace, and an undying reminder of Your suffering and the light of your love, which the darkness could never overwhelm.

As we receive these gifts, renew our hearts and uphold our spirits, to follow You all the way to the Cross. Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND POURING OF THE CUP

INVITATION TO RECEIVE GOD'S GIFTS **(ALL BREAD IS GLUTEN FREE)**

All who profess the Lord Jesus and call upon His Name to be saved are welcome to receive these gifts of God, for it is Christ who invites us to come, by grace through faith, and He who invites us will in no way cast anyone out. You are invited to process to the front of the sanctuary to receive these

elements of the Lord's Supper in an attitude of solemn stillness and deep spiritual reflection, as Scripture commands us.

GIVING THANKS FOR THE GIFTS OF GOD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (pg 35)
...*Lord, unite us,*
And fill us with your love.

Pastor Murray

◆ HYMN 204

Stay with Me

Congregation

~~~ **CARRYING GOD'S GOOD NEWS INTO GOD'S WORLD** ~~~

◆ BENEDICTION

Pastor Winslow

POSTLUDE

Mary Dailey

### **Today's Service**

Music

Mary Dailey

Liturgist

Jeff C

Trustee

Sue C

Ushers

Cover Image

Jesus washing Peter's feet, By Ford Madox Brown



**Open Door Circle** will be meeting every 3rd Thursday, at 10:30. All women are welcome. Please call Hedy L with any questions.

The mission committee will be holding its annual food drive for the Life Center extended through April. The Director said they could use any food, but they are always in need of foods with protein such as Spam, beans, tuna, salmon, peanut butter or any nut butter. We will be collecting food through April. There will be a container at the Windermere entrance and at the Littleton Boulevard entrance to place your donations. Thank you in advance.



**Tuesday Evening Shabby Sheep Women's Bible Study**

On a break for now

**Wednesday Morning Shabby Sheep Women's Bible Study**

New six-week study on *Acts*, starts April 8<sup>th</sup>



**FPCL Book Club meets in Ayers' Parlor or Zoom on the Second Thursday of each month at 12:30. All are welcome.**

# LITTLETON HANDBELL FESTIVAL!!



**Come one, come all, to the  
Littleton Handbell Festival!**

**Who:** First Pres. Memorial & TNT Handbell Choirs  
and several other local church bell choirs

**What:** A FREE concert (and an opportunity for community fellowship!)

**Where:** Littleton United Methodist Church  
5894 S. Datura St. Littleton 80120 (corner of Datura & Shepperd St.)

**When:** Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2026 3:00 p.m.

The Memorial Handbell Choir & Tintinnabulation Ringers will be joining several other Littleton churches for an all-day rehearsal and fellowship experience and perform our pieces in a massed concert with Guest Conductor Jeffrey Harms in the afternoon.

If you haven't had the opportunity to hear an ensemble of bells ringing together, it is truly an event you will never forget, and it is **SO CLOSE TO HOME** - *only 4 blocks from church!!*

Please join us and support the ringers  
(and bring friends and family along)!

**SEE  
YOU  
THERE**

Contact Karen with any questions at  
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**WE HOPE TO SEE LOTS OF  
FAMILIAR FACES THERE !**



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### Worship Plans

Sermon Series for Lent:

*Lent In Plain Sight*

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*April 3, Good Friday at Noon      Thorns      John 19:1-11*  
*April 5, Easter Sunday Worship Services at 8am and 10am      John 20:1-18*  
*\*Pancake Breakfast 9am; Easter Egg Hunt after the 10:00 Worship\**

#### Sermon Series for the Season of Easter: *New Life*

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|---------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------|
| April 12: <i>New Community</i>  | <b>Matthew 18:21-35</b> |                  |
| April 19: <i>New Priorities</i> | <b>Matthew 6:25-34</b>  | Bells            |
| April 26: <i>New Eyes</i>       | <b>Matthew 5:1-12</b>   | Women's Ensemble |
| May 3: <i>New Identity</i>      | <b>Matthew 5:13-16</b>  | Bells            |
| May 10: <i>New Courage</i>      | <b>Matthew 16:21-28</b> | Men's Ensemble   |
| May 17: <i>New Calling</i>      | <b>Matthew 28:16-20</b> | Chancel Choir    |

### Following Worship

Next Bible Study- May 3<sup>rd</sup>

#### Our Mission:

*We welcome all to love, share, serve, and grow in Christ.*



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