

# MAUNDY THURSDAY



Let love be genuine. Abhor what  
is evil; hold fast to what is good.  
Romans 12:9

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

APRIL 2, 2026  
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## ❖ CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 34

Minister: I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be on my lips.

**People: My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad.**

Minister: O magnify the LORD with me and let us exalt his name together.

**People: I sought the LORD and he answered me, and delivered me from all my fears.**

Minister: Taste and see that the LORD is good!

**People: Blessed are those who take refuge in him.**

## ❖ OPENING PRAYER

Minister: Almighty Father, whose dear Son on the night before he suffered, shared a meal with his friends and washed their feet:

Mercifully grant that we may receive your word thankfully. In these holy mysteries give us a pledge of eternal life with you.

**All: *Almighty God, you bring to light things hidden in darkness and know the shadows of our hearts. Cleanse and renew us by your Spirit, that we may walk in the light and glorify your name, through Jesus Christ, the Light of the world.***

Minister: Glory be to the Father.  
Glory be to the Son.  
Glory be to the Spirit.

**People: Forever three in One.**

Minister: Be glorified in the city.  
Be glorified in all the world.  
Be glorified in our households.

**People: Be glorified in the Church.  
Be glorified on earth.  
Be glorified in heaven.**

Minister: Glory be to the Father.  
Glory be to the Son.  
Glory be to the Spirit.

**People: Forever three in One. Hallelujah! Amen!**

## ❖ ALL CREATURES OF OUR GOD AND KING

LASST UNS ERFREUEN, Francis of Assisi

All creatures of our God and King,  
Lift up your voice and with us sing alleluia, alleluia!  
Thou burning sun with golden beam,  
Thou silver moon with softer gleam,  
O praise him, O praise him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Thou rushing wind that art so strong,  
Ye clouds that sail in heav'n along,  
O praise him, alleluia!  
Thou rising morn in praise rejoice,  
Ye lights of evening, find a voice,  
O praise him, O praise him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Thou flowing water, pure and clear,  
Make music for thy Lord to hear, Alleluia, Alleluia!  
Thou fire so masterful and bright,  
That givest man both warmth and light,  
O praise him, O praise him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

All ye who are of tender heart,  
Forgiving others, take your part,  
O sing ye, alleluia!  
Ye who long pain and sorrow bear,  
Praise God and on him cast your care,  
O praise him, O praise him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless,  
And worship him in humbleness, O praise him, alleluia!  
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,  
And praise the Spirit, three in one,  
O praise him, O praise him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

## ❖ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Minister: Is the Father with us?

**People: He is.**

Minister: Is Christ among us?

**People: He is.**

Minister: Is the Spirit here?

**People: He is.**

Minister: This is our God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**People: We are his people, redeemed by his grace.**

## ❖ BE THOU MY VISION

Mary E. Byrne and Eleanor H. Hull

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart  
Naught be all else to me, save that thou art  
Thou my best thought by day or by night  
Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word  
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord  
Thou my great Father, I thy true son  
Thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,  
Thou mine inheritance, now and always  
Thou and thou only, first in my heart  
High King of Heaven, my treasure thou art

High King of heaven, my victory won  
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall  
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all

Heart of my own heart, whatever befall  
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all

### READING I

*The Feast in the Upper Room*

Luke 22:1-2, 7-13

Ali & Drew Van Norman

### READING II

*The Dispute between the Disciples*

Luke 22:14, 24-30

Hallie Deschamps

### READING III

*The Betrayal of Christ*

Matthew 26:21-24, 31-35

Tracy & Kirk DeBoer

## ✦ CONFESSIOIN

Minister: Adam, slave to disobedience, where are you?

**People: I am here.**

Minister: Eve, slave to unbelief, where are you?

**People: I am here.**

Minister: David, slave to lust, where are you?

**People: I am here.**

Minister: Judas, slave to covetousness, where are you?

**People: I am here.**

Minister: Peter, slave to fear, where are you?

**People: I am here.**

**All:** *Eternal God, whose covenant with us is never broken: We confess that we have failed to fulfill your will for us. We betray our neighbors, desert our friends, and run in fear when we should be loyal. Though you have bound yourself to us, we have not bound ourselves to you. God, have mercy on us weak and willful people. Lead us once again to your table, and unite us to Christ, who is the bread of life and the vine from which we grow in grace. To Christ be praise forever. Amen.*

❖ **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

from John 13

**Minister:** Brothers and sisters in Christ, the Jesus we remember tonight is the Savior of the world.

**People:** **In Christ we are forgiven. And through him God abides with even us.**

❖ **DOXOLOGY**

OLD HUNDREDTH, Louis Bourgeois's Genevan Psalter, Thomas Ken

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  
Amen

**READING IV**

*The Washing with Water*

John 13:3-9

Lindsey & Jonathan Vera

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**Minister:** Lord Jesus, you washed the feet of those who loved you and of those who would betray you.

Show us what it means that we too should be the servants of all.

**People:** **Amen.**

**Minister:** We think of our neighbors living in houses and apartments near us tonight.

Show us what it means to wash their feet in how we love them as you loved us.

**People:** **Amen.**

**Minister:** We think of our leaders and those whom you have placed in authority over us.

Show us what it means to wash their feet with our words and our posture of humility and gentleness.

**People:** **Amen.**

**READING V**

*The Breaking of Bread*

Luke 22:15-20

Jenny Morrison

**THE HOMILY**

Rev. Clay Holland

# CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

*Communion is an opportunity for all of us to seek the Lord. It is an occasion for baptized Christians to be strengthened by our Savior. All who trust alone in Christ as Savior and Lord, are members in good standing of a church that embraces the gospel, live at peace with their neighbor, and seek strength to live more faithfully are welcome to come forward to partake. If you are not a Christian, have not been admitted to the Lord's table, or choose not to partake you are welcome to come forward with your arms crossed in front of your body to receive a blessing.*

Minister: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Minister: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

**All: Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

Minister: O Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world.

**People: Have mercy on us.**

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**People: Have mercy on us.**

Minister: O Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world.

**People: Grant us your peace.**

Minister: Christ, our Passover, has been sacrificed for us.

**People: Therefore, let us keep the feast.**

Minister: The gifts of God for the people of God.

*During communion, wine and grape juice are served.*

*Grape juice, in a purple cup, is available upon request.*

*All communion bread is gluten-free.*

*Please let an usher know if it is difficult for you to come forward.*

### Prayer of Seeking Truth

*Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth and the life. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise. Amen.*

### Prayer of Belief

*Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but through you, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared to hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior. Amen.*

## READING VI

*The New Commandment*

John 13:31-35

Alison Fairfield

### ❖ WE WILL FEAST IN THE HOUSE OF ZION

Sandra McCracken and Joshua Moore

*Chorus:*

*We will feast in the house of Zion*

*We will sing with our hearts restored*

*He has done great things, we will say together*

*We will feast and weep no more*

We will not be burned by the fire  
He is the LORD our God  
We are not consumed by the flood  
Upheld, protected, gathered up (*Ch*)

In the dark of night before the dawn  
My soul be not afraid  
For the promised morning, oh how long  
Oh God of Jacob be my strength (*Ch*)

Every vow we've broken and betrayed  
You are the Faithful one  
And from the garden to the grave  
Bind us together, bring shalom (*Ch*)

### ❖ READING VII

*The Garden of Prayer*

John 15:1-17

Sophie & Byrn Ledbetter

### ❖ ADMONITION

And now, having experienced the hospitality and nourishment of our gracious Savior, go forth to watch and pray.

#### Worship Leaders

|                 |                            |
|-----------------|----------------------------|
| Tim Brown       | <i>piano</i>               |
| Stacey Croft    | <i>homily</i>              |
| Joe Deegan      | <i>guitar &amp; vocals</i> |
| Conrad Guthrie  | <i>bass</i>                |
| Michelle Hays   | <i>violin</i>              |
| Travis Henthorn | <i>drums</i>               |
| Scott Mochon    | <i>guitar</i>              |
| Katie Reyes     | <i>vocals</i>              |
| Steven Wiggs    | <i>cello</i>               |

#### Audio/Visual Team

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|---------------|----------------------------|
| Namath Naif   | <i>technical director</i>  |
| Alex Martinez | <i>Spanish translation</i> |
| Arjan Voogt   | <i>projections</i>         |

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