

Holy Thursday

April 6th, 2023

7:00p.m.

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Pastoral Greeting

Opening Hymn *Just As I Am*
UMH 357

Old Testament Reading Exodus 1:1-4, 11-14

Choral Anthem *Your Love is Greater*

Gospel Reading Luke 22:7-23

Prayer of the People
O God, by the example of your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, you taught us the greatness of true humility, and call us to watch with him in his passion. Give us grace to serve one another in all lowliness, and enter into the fellowship of his suffering; in his name and for his sake. Amen.

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Communion *The Last Supper*
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Lord Jesus,
We are stunned at Your passion and Your commitment toward us.
You did not run from the darkness,
You did not hide from Your accusers,
You did not fade into safe obscurity.
You stepped with determination into the darkness,
Willingly giving Yourself to whip and fist, to wood and nails.

We praise You, Gracious Lord,
for what You were prepared to endure to reconcile us with God.

We praise You, Gracious Lord,
for Your words of forgiveness, and the invitation to paradise.

***Forgive us that allow ourselves to become too familiar with this story.
That we take Your suffering too lightly, and receive Your grace too cheaply.***

***As we watch with You, while the darkness encroaches,
Let us remember what this journey means, and count again the cost of love.***

Amen.

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