



*Welcome to worship! No matter where you are, where you have been, or where you are on your faith journey, our prayer is that you will find a place to belong in worship and mission with us.*

April 6, 2023

Maundy Thursday

7 pm

### Preparation for Worship

Every time the church gathers for the Lord's Supper, it joyfully proclaims that, wonder of wonders, Jesus still chooses the same kind of sinful, disreputable dinner companions which once got him in so much trouble. Thank God.

--Bishop William Willimon

Focus Scripture

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Prelude

*O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee*

### \*Call to Worship

God's love has called us here.

***We come in the shelter of love.***

Christ's service guides our steps.

***We come in the service of God.***

The Spirit's presence welcomes us all.

***We come in the promise of blessing and renewal.***

\*Hymn

*Jesu, Jesu*

No. 432

### Prayer of Confession

***We love you, Lord. But even in our love, we cry out in need. We cry out for strength in times of trial. We long for hope in times of despair. We yearn for mercy in the midst of our sin. Strengthen us, O God, and renew our hope. Grant your mercy. Feed us with the bread of forgiveness and the water of life, that we may courageously face our lives and gladly accept your grace. In your loving name, we pray. Amen.***

Scripture

John 13:1-17, 31b-35

Anthem *At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing* Sanctuary Choir

At the Lamb's high feast we sing, "Praise to the Christ, our glorious King!" For He has claimed and cleansed our souls, and by His love we've been made whole. Praise the One who by love divine now shares the cup, the holy wine. His body broken at the feast for the greatest and the least. Bread of the world in mercy broken, wine of the soul in mercy shed; by whom the words of life were spoken; by whom our hungry souls are fed. Bread of the world by whom our souls are fed. At the Lamb's high feast we sing, the praise and hosannas still echoing; "Praise to our King, the chosen One, holy Son, the Lamb of God."

Homily

Holy Communion

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving  
Sharing of the Bread and Cup

\*Hymn *Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross* No. 301

\*Benediction

As we have been served and loved,  
***we go now to serve and love.***  
Go in peace.

\*Postlude *I Am the Bread of Life*

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