

Maundy Thursday, 2022

Gathering and Welcome

Time of Silent Reflection (with soft music playing) leading into song.

Song: *Meekness and Majesty*

God's Greeting

Song(s) *As He Gathered at His Table*
What wondrous love

Scriptures: John 13:1-17
 John 17:20-23

Meditation: Love, Service, and Unity

Song *Just as I am without one plea*

Prayer of Confession

Our Lord Jesus Christ says: 'If you love me, keep my commandments.' 'Unless I wash you, you have no part in me.' Let us confess to almighty God our sins against his love, and ask him to cleanse us.

Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be; that we may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God.

Father, on this, the night he was betrayed, your Son Jesus Christ washed his disciples' feet. We commit ourselves to follow his example of love and service.
Lord, hear us and humble us.

On this night, he prayed for his disciples to be one. We pray for the unity of your Church.
Lord, hear us and unite us.

On this night, he prayed for those who were to believe through their message. We pray for the mission of your Church.
Lord, hear us and renew our passion.

On this night, he commanded them to love, but suffered rejection himself. We pray for the rejected and unloved.
Lord, hear us and fill us with your love.

On this night, he reminded them that if the world hated them it hated him first. We pray for those who are persecuted for their faith.
Lord, hear us and give us your peace.

Most merciful Lord, your love compels us to come in. Our hands were unclean, our hearts were unprepared; we were not fit even to eat the crumbs from under your table. But you, Lord, are the God of our salvation, and share your bread with sinners. So cleanse us and feed us with the precious body and blood of your Son, that he may live in us and we in him; and that we, with the whole company of Christ, may sit and eat in your kingdom. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ.
But Christ suffered and died for us,
was raised from the dead and ascended on high for us,
and continues to intercede for us.
Believe the good news:
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!
Glory to God. Amen.

Song: *Were you There*

Stripping of the stage to a reading of Psalm 22

*There is no blessing at the end of this service,
feel free to take some time to reflect then come back
to join us for the Good Friday service.*