

Maundy Thursday



WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
1157 Sam Rittenberg Boulevard
Charleston, South Carolina 29407

April 14, 2022
7:00 p.m.

WELCOME

◆CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Jesus said: I give you a new commandment, that you love one another.
Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another.
On this day, Christ the Lamb of God gave himself
into the hands of those who would slay him.

All: On this day, Christ gathered with his disciples in the upper room.

One: On this day, Christ took a towel and washed the disciples' feet,
giving us an example that we should do to others as he has done to us.

**All: On this day, Christ our Lord gave us this holy feast,
that we who eat this bread and drink this cup
may proclaim his holy sacrifice and be partakers of his resurrection.**

◆HYMN NO. 202

An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare

O WALY WALY

**An upper room did our Lord prepare for those he loved until the end:
and his disciples still gather there to celebrate their risen friend.**

A lasting gift Jesus gave his own: to share his bread, his loving cup.
Whatever burdens may bow us down, he by his cross shall lift us up.

And after supper he washed their feet, for service, too, is sacrament.
In Christ our joy shall be made complete: sent out to serve, as he was sent.

No end there is! We depart in peace. He loves beyond our uttermost:
in every room in our Father's house Christ will be there, as Lord and Host.

◆PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, whose covenant with us is never broken, we confess that we need to fulfill your call. Though your promises are eternal, ours are like a fleeting breath. In Jesus Christ you taught us how to live according to your will, but we break faith with you and follow our own paths. As in the days of the prophets, we give you praise with our lips, but have rebellion in our hearts. In your mercy, forgive and cleanse us. 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.

◆SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

◆DECLARATION OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

One: Friends, hear and believe the good news of the Gospel.

All: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!**

◆SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

THE UPPER ROOM

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 22:7-23

ANTHEM

In Remembrance

BURYL RED

In remembrance of me, eat this bread, In remembrance of me, drink this wine.
In remembrance of me, pray for the time when God's own will is done.
In remembrance of me, heal the sick, In remembrance of me, feed the poor.
In remembrance of me, open the door and let your brother in.
Take, eat, and be comforted. Drink, and remember, too,
That this is my body and precious blood, shed for you.
In remembrance of me, search for truth, In remembrance of me, always love.
In remembrance of me, don't look above, but in your heart, Look in your heart for God.
Do this in remembrance of me.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

HYMN NO. 527

Eat This Bread

**Eat this bread; drink this cup; come to me and never be hungry.
Eat this bread; drink this cup; trust in me and you will not thirst"**
*As we sing, you are invited to come forward and receive the communion cup.
Return to your seat; we will share the sacrament together.*

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

PRAYER

THE GARDEN OF GETHSEMANE

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 26:30-46

◆HYMN NO. 220

Go to Dark Gethsemane

REDHEAD 76

Go to dark Gethsemane, all who feel the tempter's power;
your Redeemer's conflict see; watch with him one bitter hour;
turn not from his griefs away; learn from Jesus Christ to pray.

Follow to the judgment hall; view the Lord of life arraigned;
O the wormwood and the gall! O the pangs his soul sustained!
Shun not suffering, shame, or loss; learn from him to bear the cross.

Calvary's mournful mountain climb; there, adoring at his feet,
mark that miracle of time, God's own sacrifice complete;
"It is finished!" hear him cry; learn from Jesus Christ to die.

PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come,
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into
temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power
and the glory, forever. Amen.

ANTHEM

All Hail Jesus! Behold the King!

LLOYD LARSON

All hail Jesus! Behold the King!
See the shame and scorn surround Him.
In his trial, behold the King!
See His heart is almost breaking.
See His head is bowed in sorrow.
All hail Jesus! Behold the King!

THE CROSS

SCRIPTURE READING

John 19:16b–30

ANTHEM

The Cross of Christ

LLOYD LARSON

Choir: Oh, to see the dawn of the darkest day; Christ on the road to Calvary.
Tried by sinful men, torn and beaten, then nailed to a cross of wood.
This the power of the cross: Christ became sin for us; took the blame, bore
the wrath. We stand forgiven at the cross.

Oh, to see the pain written on your face, bearing the awesome weight of sin.
Every bitter thought, every evil deed crowning your blood-stained brow.

Now the daylight flees; now the ground beneath quakes as its Maker bows his
head. Curtain torn in two, dead are raised to life; “Finished!” the victory cry.
This the power of the cross: Christ became sin for us; took the blame, bore
the wrath. We stand forgiven at the cross.

Beneath the cross of Jesus, I find a place to stand,
and wonder at such mercy that calls me as I am!

For hands that should discard me hold wounds which tell me, “Come!”
Beneath the cross of Jesus, my unworthy soul is won.

Beneath the cross of Jesus, the path before the crown,
We follow in his footsteps where promised hope is found.
How great the joy before us to be his perfect bride!
Beneath the cross of Jesus we will gladly live our lives.

All: **When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.**

MEDITATION

The Nails

Ah, holy Jesus, how hast thou offended,
that we to judge thee have in hate pretended?
By foes derided, by thine own rejected, O most afflicted!

Who was the guilty? Who brought this upon thee?
Alas, my treason, Jesus, hath undone thee.
'Twas I, Lord Jesus, I it was denied thee; I crucified thee.

Lo, the Good Shepherd for the sheep is offered;
the slave hath sinned, and the Son hath suffered;
for our atonement, while we nothing heeded, God interceded.

For me, kind Jesus, was thine incarnation,
thy mortal sorrow, and thy life's oblation,
thy death of anguish and thy bitter passion, for my salvation.

Therefore, kind Jesus, since I cannot pay thee,
I do adore thee, and will ever pray thee,
think on thy pity and thy love unswerving, not my deserving.

DEPARTURE

All depart in silence.

*The service continues on Good Friday when the congregation will
gather at 12:00 Noon to remember the Savior's death.*

Westminster Sanctuary Choir

Angela Loizides, *violin*

Jenny Weiss, *violin*

Ben Weiss, *viola*

Andrew Mille, *cello*

Ushers are Dee Bee Wright, John Wright

ABOUT MAUNDY THURSDAY

Tonight we gather for worship, remembering the last night Jesus spent with his disciples before his arrest, trial, and crucifixion. It is called *Maundy* because of the command (Latin: *mandatum*) Jesus gave for his disciples to love one another. (John 13:34)

On that night, Jesus also instituted the Lord's Supper, transforming the Jewish Passover supper to a meal where in the bread and the cup, we remember the salvation we have through the sacrifice of his broken body and spilled blood.

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