

Maundy Thursday
Holy Communion Service for Children and Families

March 29, 2018
5:30 p.m., Chapel

PRELUDE

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: On Sunday we shouted:

All: “Hosanna in the Highest!”

One: Jesus went to the temple and said:

All: “This house is a house of prayer.”

One: The woman poured perfume and Jesus said:

All: “I am prepared.”

One: Judas left the twelve and said:

All: “What will you give me?”

One: Jesus washed their feet and said:

All: “You must also wash other’s feet.”

One: Jesus shared the bread and cup and said:

All: “Remember me.”

One: They went to the garden and Jesus said:

All: “Pray with me.”

One: The disciples fell asleep and Jesus said:

All: “Wake up!”

One: The guards came and Judas said:

All: “This is he.”

One: They arrested Jesus and the crowds said:

All: “Crucify.”

One: And they did. Tonight we remember the new rule Jesus gave:

All: We love one another just as Jesus loves us.



HYMN 300

We are One in the Spirit



CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: Lord, we are like sheep and we get lost. Our words and our actions hurt others. We do not always follow your way. Forgive us. Good Shepherd find us again and lead us home.

A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.



ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION



SCRIPTURE

John 13: 1-17, 34-35



SERMON

R. Pedersen

OFFERING

Ubi Caritas
Children's Choir



INVITATION TO THE TABLE

One: This table is not ours. The feast before us was prepared for us. We are not welcomed because we have accomplished something, but rather because God, who loves us, is the one who invites us and prepares a place for each of us. We come to this table of grace.

All: Come to the table of grace. Come to the table of grace. This is God's table; it's not yours or mine. Come to the table of grace.

One: Here at this table, we are made one with all who follow Jesus, from every time and from every place. Here nothing divides, here we are whole. We come to the table of peace:

All: Come to the table of peace. Come to the table of peace. This is God's table; it's not yours or mine. Come to the table of peace.

One: We come this table because God so loved the world that he gave his only son. Jesus was God's love walking in the world. This table is filled with that same love given for us. We come to the table of love.

All: Come to the table of love. Come to the table of love. This is God's table; it's not yours or mine. Come to the table of love.

One: We come to this table and know the promise that one day we will sit together and no one will be hungry or thirsty or afraid. We share this feast in hope of that day. We come to the table of hope.

All: Come to the table of hope. Come to the table of hope. This is God's table; it's not yours or mine. Come to the table of hope.

One: We remember the upper room and the feast Jesus shared with the disciples. We also remember that when he was raised, it was when he shared bread with them that they recognized him. Sisters and brothers: This is the joyful feast of the people of God!

All: Come to the table of joy. Come to the table of joy. This is God's table; it's not yours or mine. Come to the table of joy.

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING



THE LORD'S PRAYER *(in unison)*

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION



*You are invited to come forward to receive communion.
If you are unable to come forward a deacon will bring communion to you.*

COMMUNION SONG Let us Break Bread Together

HYMN 525

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

HYMN 250 In the Bulb There is a Flower



CLOSING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION



*As the service ends, you are invited to either remain in prayer,
join the pastors in the Children's Chapel to take part in the ancient practice of foot
washing, or depart for the evening.*