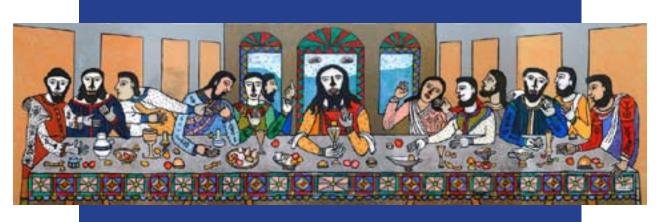
Maundy Thursday Holy Communion Service for Children and Families







April 14, 2022 5:30 p.m., Chapel

Prelude

Welcome

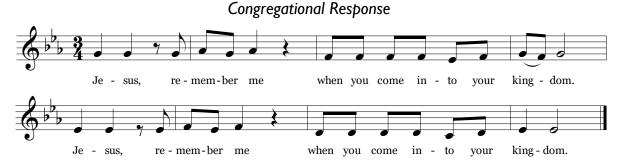
Call to Worship

- One: Tonight, we remember, we celebrate, we pause, and we prepare. We remember that Jesus washed his disciples' feet.
- All: We remember that he commanded: "Love one another."
- One: We remember that he broke the bread.
- All: We remember that he shared the cup.
- One: We remember that he prayed in the garden.
- All: We remember that he was arrested.
- One: We remember that he was tried, and the crowds said "Crucify."
- All: We remember that Jesus died on the cross.
- One: We remember that three days later, God made Jesus alive again. We remember that through this Jesus loves, cares, and helps us. We remember that Jesus welcomes us to this place, to this feast, and to this work. We remember that Jesus guides us on the journey ahead.
- All: Let us worship God together!

Hymn 203



Call to Confession



Prayer of Confession

One: Loving God, we are sorry for hurting others with our words and our actions. We are sorry for the times we are not the neighbors you want us to be. Lord Hear Our Prayer:

Sing: Jesus Remember Me

One: Abiding Spirit, we are sorry that we don't always listen or pay attention. We ignore you and others. We are sorry that we don't always forgive others or accept their forgiveness. Lord Hear Our Prayer:

Sing: Jesus Remember Me

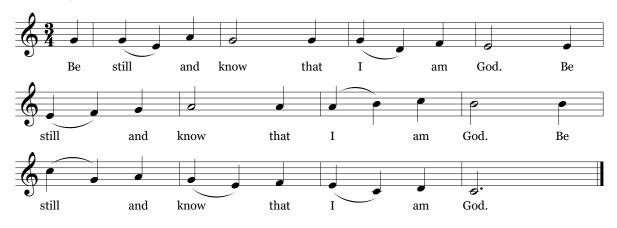
One: Faithful Savior, help us be more like you: Loving our neighbors, serving everyone, forgiving our friends and our enemies, sharing what we have. Help us live as your disciples and show your love to the world. Lord Hear Our Prayer:

Sing: Jesus Remember Me

Together we say: Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Prayer of Illumination Be Still and Know that I am God



Scripture

Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. And during supper Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!"

After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table, he said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you? You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. 15 For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them. "I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

Reflection

Rachel Pedersen

John 13: 1-17, 34-35



Invitation to the Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

- One: The Lord be with you.
- All: And also with you.
- One: Lift up your hearts.
- All: We lift them up to the Lord.
- One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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

Sharing the Elements

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

Prayer for Holy Week



Closing Words and Benediction

Postlude Prelude on "Passion Chorale" William Lloyd Webber

For those who would like to participate, a foot washing station is located in the children's chapel following the service. You may also participate by having your hands washed instead of your feet.

Worship Notes

During Lent our fourth and fifth graders dug into the theology and beliefs that help us understand who Jesus is. As part of their class, they helped plan this service and have shared a few observations about their choices:

The Cover: The Last Supper by Madhvi Parekh. The original painting is 6' X 20'! When you look at the picture, do you notice the details and the different foods? We picked this image, because it is so detailed and colorful. The image tells the story of the Last Supper and captures the disciples' confusion and Jesus' understanding just by looking at it.

The Opening Hymn: We chose Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love in part because we liked the music - the beat, the tune, and the speed. In looking at other hymns, this one stood out because it captured the way Jesus acted as a servant, washing the disciples' feet. The song challenges us to follow Jesus serving others and caring for neighbors.

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