

**REFLECTION**     *O Sacred Head, Now Wounded*

*arr. Leavitt*

O sacred head, now wounded with grief and shame weighed down  
No scornfully surrounded with thorns, thine only crown  
O sacred head, what glory, what bliss 'til now was thine!  
Yet, though despised and gory, I joy to call thee mine

**\*BENEDICTION**

One: May Jesus Christ, who was put death for our sins, bless you and keep you.

All: **Amen.**

One: May Jesus Christ, who was raised to life for our salvation, let his light shine upon you.

All: **Amen.**

One: May Jesus Christ be your life and peace, now and forever.

All: **Amen. Thanks be to God.**

**\*RESPONSE**                     *This Is the Night*                     #206, v. 5

O makes us sharers, Savior, of your Passion  
That we may share your glory that shall be  
Let us pass through these three dark nights of sorrow  
To Easter's laughter and its liberty

*Please depart in silence. If you wish to remain  
in the sanctuary in prayer, you may do so.*

SERVING IN WORSHIP THIS EVENING

Tim Reynolds – Pastor  
Sarah Morgan – Pastor  
Charles White - Liturgist  
Mathew Mimbs – Director of Music  
Justin Brueggeman – Organist  
2<sup>nd</sup> Presbyterian Church Chancel Choir



**Maundy Thursday  
2022**

**THE WORD “MAUNDY”** comes from the Latin word *maundatum*, meaning “commandment.” The service focuses on Jesus’ last supper with his disciples when he gave them the new commandment to “love one another even as I have loved you.” Jesus’ love is demonstrated both in his example of servanthood and in his gift of himself in Communion. This love is sharply focused by the contrast of betrayal which followed.

## RESPONSIVE READING John 19:1-7, 13-18

One: Then Pilate took Jesus and had him flogged. And the soldiers wove a crown of thorns and put it on his head, and they dressed him in a purple robe. They kept coming up to him, saying,

**All: “Hail, King of the Jews!”**

One: and striking him on the face. Pilate went out again and said to them, “Look, I am bringing him out to you to let you know that I find no case against him.” So Jesus came out, wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe. Pilate said to them, “Here is the man!” When the chief priests and the police saw him, they shouted,

**All: “Crucify him! Crucify him!”**

One: Pilate said to them, “Take him yourselves and crucify him; I find no case against him.” The Jews answered him, “We have a law, and according to that law he ought to die because he has claimed to be the Son of God.”

When Pilate heard these words, he brought Jesus outside and sat on the judge’s bench at a place called The Stone Pavement, or in Hebrew Gabbatha. Now it was the day of Preparation for the Passover; and it was about noon. He said to the Jews, “Here is your King!” They cried out,

**All: “Away with him! Away with him! Crucify him!”**

One: Pilate asked them, “Shall I crucify your King?” The chief priests answered,

**All: “We have no king but the emperor.”**

One: Then he handed him over to them to be crucified. So they took Jesus; and carrying the cross by himself, he went out to what is called The Place of the Skull, which in Hebrew is called Golgotha. There they crucified him, and with him two others, one on either side, with Jesus between them.

## THE STRIPPING OF THE CHURCH & VEILING OF THE CROSS



## Maundy Thursday

April 14, 2022 – 6:00 p.m.

### GATHERING IN THE UPPER ROOM

#### PRELUDE

*Moderato – E. Elgar*

### WITH CHRIST IN THE DARK NIGHT OF BETRAYAL

#### GOSPEL READING

John 18:1-12

After Jesus had spoken these words, he went out with his disciples across the Kidron valley to a place where there was a garden, which he and his disciples entered. Now Judas, who betrayed him, also knew the place, because Jesus often met there with his disciples. So Judas brought a detachment of soldiers together with police from the chief priests and the Pharisees, and they came there with lanterns and torches and weapons.

Then Jesus, knowing all that was to happen to him, came forward and asked them, “Whom are you looking for?” They answered, “Jesus of Nazareth.” Jesus replied, “I am he.” Judas, who betrayed him, was standing with them. When Jesus said to them, “I am he,” they stepped back and fell to the ground. Again he asked them, “Whom are you looking for?” And they said, “Jesus of Nazareth.” Jesus answered, “I told you that I am he. So if you are looking for me, let these men go.” This was to fulfill the word that he had spoken, “I did not lose a single one of those whom you gave me.”

Then Simon Peter, who had a sword, drew it, struck the high priest’s slave, and cut off his right ear. The slave’s name was Malchus. Jesus said to Peter, “Put your sword back into its sheath. Am I not to drink the cup that the Father has given me?” So the soldiers, their officer, and the Jewish police arrested Jesus and bound him.

#### HYMN

*This is the Night*

#206, v. 4

**This night the Lord by slaves shall be arrested  
He who destroys our slavery to sin  
Accused of crime, to criminals be given  
That judgment on the righteous Judge begin**

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**All: And also with you.**

One: You who call upon the name of Christ, we are gathered to recall the story of the night in which Jesus Christ was betrayed. Are you prepared to come to the table of Jesus Christ, whose life was poured out for you?

**All: By the grace of God, we are.**

One: Are you able to pray with Jesus here in the garden, indeed, to struggle yourselves to be in unity with God’s will?

**All: By the grace of God, we are.**

One: Will you follow Jesus even into the night of betrayal?

**All: By the grace of God, we will.**

One: Then let us praise God, even in this hour of darkness.

**All: God of all grace and steadfast love, greatly is your name to be praised in all the earth!**

#### \*HYMN

*This Is the Night*

#206, v. 1

**This is the night, dear friends, the night for weeping  
When powers of darkness overcome the day  
The night the faithful mourn the weight of evil  
Whereby our sins the Son of Man betray**

**This night the traitor, wolf within the sheepfold  
Betrays himself into his victim’s will  
The Lamb of God for sacrifice preparing  
Sin brings about the cure for sin’s own ill**

\*ALL WHO ARE ABLE PLEASE STAND



## *WITH CHRIST AT THE LAST SUPPER*

### WELCOME AND INVITATION TO COMMUNION

#### RESPONSIVE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: Almighty God: you alone are good and holy. Purify our lives and make us brave disciples. We do not ask you to keep us safe, but to keep us loyal, so we may serve Jesus Christ, who, tempted in every way as we are, was faithful to you.

**All: Amen.**

One: Loving God, whose mercy is unending, whose grace is unfailing, we come with contrite hearts to humbly confess our many and manifold sins.

**All: O God, deliver us. (Silence)**

One: From lack of reverence for truth and beauty;  
from a calculating or sentimental mind;  
from going along with mean and ugly things;

**All: O God, deliver us. (Silence)**

One: From cowardice that dares not face truth;  
laziness content with half-truth;  
or arrogance that thinks we know it all;

**All: O God, deliver us. (Silence)**

One: From artificial life and worship;  
from all that is hollow or insincere;

**All: O God, deliver us. (Silence)**

One: From trite ideals and cheap pleasures;  
from mistaking hard vulgarity for humor;

**All: O God, deliver us. (Silence)**

One: From being dull, pompous, or rude;  
from putting down our neighbors;

**All: O God, deliver us. (Silence)**

### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*from The Scots Confession*

We believe that our Lord Jesus offered himself a voluntary sacrifice for us, that he suffered contradiction of sinners, that he was wounded and plagued for our transgressions, that he, the clean innocent Lamb of God, was condemned in the presence of an earthly judge, that we should be absolved before the judgment seat of our God; that he suffered not only the cruel death of the cross, but also that he suffered for a season the wrath of his Father which sinners had deserved. But yet we avow that he remained the only, well beloved, and blessed Son of his Father even in the midst of his anguish and torment which he suffered in body and soul to make full atonement for the sins of his people. From this we confess and avow that there remains no other sacrifice for sin.



## *WITH CHRIST IN THE GARDEN*

### CALL TO PRAYER

One: Let us join Christ in the garden of prayer.

**All: Let us join Christ in prayer to our Father.**

### SILENT PRAYER

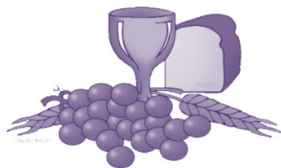
### REFLECTION

*Ah, Holy Jesus*

*Heermann/Harlan*

Ah, holy Jesus, 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  
I, Lord Jesus, it was I denied thee  
I crucified thee



## THE LORD'S SUPPER

PREPARATORY HYMN     *This Is the Night*     #206, v. 3

This night Christ institutes his holy supper  
Blest food and drink for heart and soul and mind  
This night injustice joins its hand to treason's  
And buys the ransom-price of humankind

### GREAT THANKSGIVING & THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**  
Lift up your hearts. **They are lifted up to the Lord.**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, power, and glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

### BREAKING OF THE BREAD

#### COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

*Lead Me, Lord*  
*arr. John Leavitt*

Lead me, Lord, lead me in your righteousness  
Make your way plain before my face  
For it is thou, Lord, thou, Lord, only  
That makes me to dwell in safety  
Lead me, Lord. Amen.

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

One: From cynicism about others;  
from intolerance or cruel indifference;

**All: O God, deliver us. (Silence)**

One: From being satisfied with things as they are,  
in the church or in the world;  
from failing to share your indignation about injustice;

**All: O God, deliver us.**

One: From selfishness, self-indulgence, or self-pity;

**All: O God, deliver us.**

One: From token concern for the poor,  
for the lonely or for loveless people;  
from confusing faith with good feeling,  
or confusing love with wanting to be loved;

**All: O God, deliver us.**

One: For everything in us that may hide your light;

**All: O God, light of life, forgive us. Amen.**

### ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

One: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, that we might be dead to sin and alive to all that is good. I declare to you in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

**All: Amen.**

### REFLECTION     *What Wondrous Love Is This*

*arr. Benjamin Harlan*

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul  
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!  
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss  
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul  
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul

When I was sinking down, sinking down sinking down  
When I was sinking down, sinking down  
When I was sinking down beneath God's righteous frown  
Christ laid aside his crown for my soul, for my soul  
God laid aside his crown for my soul

## **\*PASSING OF THE PEACE**

**May the peace of Christ be with you.**

And also with you.

## **GOSPEL READING**

**John 13:1-35**

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. The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. 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!" Jesus said to him, "One who has bathed does not need to wash, except for the feet, but is entirely clean. And you are clean, though not all of you." For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, "Not all of you are clean."

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. 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 am not speaking of all of you; I know whom I have chosen. But it is to fulfill the scripture, 'The one who ate my bread has lifted his heel against me.' I tell you this now, before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe that I am he. Very truly, I tell you, whoever receives one whom I send receives me; and whoever receives me receives him who sent me."

After saying this Jesus was troubled in spirit, and declared, "Very truly, I tell you, one of you will betray me." The disciples looked at one another, uncertain of whom he was speaking. One of his disciples – the one whom Jesus loved – was reclining next to him; Simon Peter therefore motioned to him to ask Jesus of whom he was speaking. So while reclining next to Jesus, he asked him, "Lord, who is it?" Jesus answered, "It is the one to whom I give this piece of bread when I have dipped it in the dish."

So when he had dipped the piece of bread, he gave it to Judas son of Simon Iscariot. After he received the piece of bread, Satan entered into him. Jesus said to him, "Do quickly what you are going to do." Now no one at the table knew why he said this to him. Some thought that, because Judas had the common purse, Jesus was telling him, "Buy what we need for the festival"; or, that he should give something to the poor. So, after receiving the piece of bread, he immediately went out. And it was night.

When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' 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."

Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, where are you going?" Jesus answered, "Where I am going, you cannot follow me now; but you will follow afterward." Peter said to him, "Lord, why can I not follow you now? I will lay down my life for you." Jesus answered, "Will you lay down your life for me? Very truly, I tell you, before the cock crows, you will have denied me three times.

## **HOMILY**