



MAUNDY THURSDAY

April 1, 2021 7:00 pm

The word “maundy” is derived from “maundatum” (Latin), meaning “commandment,” and refers to the new commandment Christ gives to the disciples in the Upper Room at the “Last Supper,” as recorded in the Gospel of John, chapter 13, verse 34, “Love one another as I have loved you.” We come tonight to be present with the One who gave us this command; and to be present in person or virtually with those we are called to love.

(Music helps us to tell and to experience the story. Feel free to hum along or speak the words.)

Prelude Michelle Pinkney

Entering the Sacred Rev. Jim Wishmyer
Vessels, holy and whole / Broken, needing the One
Open, body and soul / Healer, come.

1st Reading “Jesus’ Commission”: [Matthew 10:1-8](#) Heather Klein

Interlude Michelle Pinkney

2nd Reading “1st Commandment”: [Matthew 22:34-39](#) Kim Feist

Hymn UMH 432
“Jesu, Jesu” (*verses 1-3, refrain*)
Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love, show us how to serve
the neighbors we have from you.
Kneels at the feet of his friends, silently washing their feet,
Master who acts as a slave to them.
Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love, show us how to serve
the neighbors we have from you.
Neighbors are rich and poor, neighbors are black and white,
neighbors are near and far away
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the neighbors we have from you.

3rd Reading “Plot to Kill Jesus”: [Matthew 26:1-5](#) Al Ruggles

Prayer of Confession Rev. Jim Wishmyer
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4th Reading “Anointed”: [Matthew 26:6-13](#) Sarah Klein

First Anointing “Extravagant Love” Rev. Jim Wishmyer

Music for Anointing Michelle Pinkney

5th Reading “Preparing for Passover”: [Matthew 26:14-19](#) Jack King

Second Anointing "Called to Serve" Rev. Jim Wishmyer

6th Reading "The Supper": [Matthew 26:20-29](#) Ken James

Hymn "Let Us Break Bread Together" UMH 618

Verse 1: **Let us break bread together on our knees...**

Refrain: **When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.**

Verse 2: **Let us drink wine together on our knees... (refrain)**

Verse 3: **Let us praise God together on our knees... (refrain)**

Holy Communion Word and Table II Rev. Jim Wishmyer

7th Reading "Predictions": [Matthew 26:30-35](#) Doug Garling

Leader: I will never desert you

People: I will never deny you

(repeat 2 more times)

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8th Reading "Jesus Prays the 1st Time": [Matthew 26:36-41](#) Nate Rathjen

Prayers in the night Rev. Jim Wishmyer

9th Reading "Jesus Prays a 2nd Time": [Matthew 26: 42-56](#) Katrina Broglio

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10th Reading "Before Caiaphas": [Matthew 26:57-68](#) Joe DeFranco

11th Reading "Peter's Denial": [Matthew 26:69-75](#) Jill Ryan

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Blessing Now go, or pause, in silence but not despair. Rev. Jim Wishmyer

May the words of Jesus echo in your ears:

"I am with you always."

And may the Holy Spirit hover, move,

and deliver healing salve to our souls,

and to the deep hurts in our world.

Until we meet tomorrow – when we walk up Calvary's hill.

Amen.

Postlude Michelle Pinkney

Our Maundy Thursday worship ends here.

Tomorrow evening, our Good Friday worship will guide as we continue our Holy Week journey. Consider reading and praying one or more of these prayers and remembrances tonight and tomorrow evening: www.covidprayers.org