

Grace Presbyterian Church

14 April 2022

7:00pm

Maundy Thursday Tenebrae Service

*Rooted in Christ, We Gather in Spirit.
Welcome to Worship!*



PRELUDE

Vince DiMura, Director of Music

SCRIPTURE READING

John 13: 2-15, 34-35

Please read quietly to yourself before worship

Even before the evening meal started, the devil had made Judas, the son of Simon Iscariot, decide to betray Jesus.

Jesus knew he had come from God and would go back to God. He also knew that the Father had given him complete power. So during the meal, Jesus got up, removed his outer garment, and wrapped a towel around his waist. He put some water into a large bowl.

Then he began washing his disciples' feet and drying them with the towel he was wearing.

But when he came to Simon Peter, this disciple asked, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?"

Jesus answered, "You don't really know what I am doing, but later you will understand."

"You will never wash my feet!" Peter replied.

"If I don't wash you," Jesus told him, "you don't really belong to me."

Peter said, "Lord, don't wash just my feet. Wash my hands and my head."

Jesus answered, "People who have bathed and are clean all over need to wash just their feet. And you, my disciples, are clean, except for one of you."

Jesus knew who would betray him. That is why he said, "except for one of you."

After Jesus had washed his disciples' feet and had put his outer garment back on, he sat down again. Then he said: Do you understand what I have done?

You call me your teacher and Lord, and you should, because that is who I am. And if your Lord and teacher has washed your feet, you should do the same for each other.

I have set the example, and you should do for each other exactly what I have done for you

But I am giving you a new command. You must love each other, just as I have loved you. If you love each other, everyone will know that you are my disciples.

QUIET REFLECTION

OPENING HYMN* This is the Night

No. 206

VOICE 1: When it was evening, Jesus took his place with his disciples, and while they were eating, he said, "Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me."

VOICE 2: "Who? Who will betray you? they all wondered. Surely not me. Tell us who, Jesus. VOICE 1: " The one who dips his hand into the dish with me."

VOICE 2: But that's all of us. We've all shared this common meal.

brief silence

LORD'S SUPPER

The Lord be with you

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto the Lord.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Thank you, O Lord, that with the sweep of creation you have revealed the beauty of your blessing to the whole universe. Though the ugliness of our sin has marred creation, killed innocents, and caused slavery, you make and keep covenant with your people, leading us from bondage to freedom and send us prophets to call us back to your ways of justice and peace for all.

May You be praised, O Lord our God, Ruler of the Universe. You feed the world with goodness, mercy, and grace.

Blessed are you, O God, for our beloved brother Jesus who came to show us the Way, the Truth, and the Life so that we might share in your blessing and live in your abundance forever and ever.

When we were hungry, without food,

He fed us.

When ignorant,

He taught us.

When we were sick,

He touched us with healing.

When enslaved to demons,

He freed us.

He embodied your Sovereign rule all the way to certain death by Empire, yet he did not back down. **Amen**

HYMN OF INVITATION Your Only Son

No. 518

WORDS OF INVITATION

Hold the bread, until all have bread.
We will partake together after all are prepared.

Pick up bread saying;

The last time he sat at table with his disciples, Jesus took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to the disciples and said, "Take, eat; this is my body."

Raise your bread with the words,

"Manna from heaven" and, "The body of Christ"
partake.

After partaking, take the grape juice, saying

Thank you, Lord, that after eating together, you took a cup and gave it to your friends, saying, "Drink from this all of you, this is my blood of the covenant which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins."

Pour the grape juice.

We will drink together when all are prepared;l

Lift your cup with the words,

"The cup of salvation" and, "The cup of the covenant in Christ"s blood." partake.

HYMN OF INVITATION

Taste & See

No. 520

Send forth your Holy Spirit now, we pray, That, as we hear the ancient story, we may hear you speak among all the violence and silences of the cross. Keep us all one, even as you prayed we would all be one, and fill us with the strength to abide with you and minister unto you even in the torturous chaos of a crucifying world.

This we ask in Christ, through Christ, with Christ to whom be all honor and glory and dominion now and forevermore. Amen.

TENEBRAE SERVICE OF SHADOWS

HYMN OF SHADOW Lord, Why Have you Forsaken Me No. 210

Interlude

Vince DiMura

As the tenebrae begins, you may put the bulletin aside

****Indicates please stand in body and/or in spirit.***

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