White Memorial Presbyterian Church

Maundy Thursday Service Liturgical Color – Purple

April 9, 2020 6:30 P.M

The Church Gathers

Prayer for Preparation

O Lord, as I rest in you this night, keep me faithful. Let my dying and my living be precious in your sight so that I may rest in you forever; I ask in Jesus' name. Amen.

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship Exod. 12:1, 14

One: The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, This shall be a day of remembrance for you.

All: We will celebrate it as a festival to the Lord throughout all generations.

One: For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you.

All: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death, until he comes.

Hymn They Crucified My Lord #219 Vs. 1

Confession and Pardon

Call to Confession John 13:10

Prayer of Confession John 13:1–17, 31b–35

One: Lord Jesus Christ, how well you know our hearts,

All: and still you love us—you have loved us to the end.

One: We have denied you,

All: and we have denied our calling to serve one another.

One: We have betrayed you,

All: and we have betrayed your commandment to love one another.

One: Pour out your Spirit of grace upon us.

All: Teach us to love and serve you faithfully and to love and serve one another by the example you have set for us; in your holy name we pray. Amen.

Assurance of God's Forgiveness

John 13:31

One: Now the Lord Jesus Christ has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. Now the promise is fulfilled, and love's redeeming work is done: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

All: Thanks be to God.

Hearing God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

1 Cor. 11:23-26

All: Gracious God, feed us with your holy Word and fill us with your Holy Spirit, so that our lives may proclaim the mystery of faith in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Scripture Readings

John 13:1–17, 31b–35

One: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Meditation Rev. Ed Johnson

Responding to the Faith

Affirmation of Faith Lenten Creed - Patmos Abbey — The Order of Saint Columbia All: We believe that our lives are held within the encircling love of God, who knows our names and recognizes our deepest needs. We believe that Christ is the divine Child of the living God, and that his grace is like living waters that can never be exhausted. We believe in the birthing, renewing, enabling Spirit of God who yearns over our welfare as a mother yearns for her child. We believe that God is in the arid desert as well as in green pastures, and that hard times and disciplines are also loving gifts. We believe that our journey has a purpose and a destination, and that our path leads to a human glory we cannot yet imagine. We believe that in the church we are fellow pilgrims on the road, and that we are called to love one another as God loves us. This is our faith and we are humbled to profess in Jesus the Christ. Amen

Hymn of Response

Go To Dark Gethsemane

#220 Vs. 1

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Exod. 12:1-14; Ps. 116:1-2

One: O Lord, we love you, for you have heard our cries.

All: Therefore we will call on you as long as we live.

One: As you delivered our ancestors from slavery and led them to a land of promise and plenty,

All: liberate all who are captive or oppressed and bring them to a place of abundant life.

One: As you saved your people from death by the blood of the Passover lamb,

All: redeem us from sin and death through Jesus Christ, our Passover.

One: As Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord stooped down to wash his disciples' feet,

All: teach us to love and serve one another with Christ-like compassion and humility.

One: As Christ the Lord has handed on to us this feast of grace, his body and blood,

All: help us to share with all who hunger the gifts we have received from you.

One: O Lord, we love you, for you have heard our cries.

All: Therefore, we will call on you as long as we live; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Reception of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Ps. 116:12–13

Prayer of Dedication

Ps. 116:16–19; John 13:1–17, 31b–35

Hymn

An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare

#202 Vs. 1

We Gather Our Lord's Table At

Invitation to the Lord's Table

The Words of Institution

The Communion of The People

Intinction

The Prayer after Communion (Unison)

All: Lord God, in deep gratitude for this moment, this meal, these people, we give ourselves to you. Take us out to live as changed people because we have shared the living bread and cannot remain the same. Ask much of us, expect much from us, enable much by us, encourage many through us. So, Lord, may we live to your glory, both as inhabitants of earth and citizens of the commonwealth of heaven. Amen.

Going Out in God's Name

Hymn of Commitment Were You There #228

The Stripping of the Altar and Sanctuary Psalm 22:18

The Charge John 31:34–35

The Blessing

Please exit the Sanctuary in silence.