



Welcome to Worship

March 28, 2024

Maundy (Holy) Thursday

***Please stand as you are able.**

PRELUDE

Herzliebster Jesu by Gordan Young

WELCOME

Pastor Karen Evenson

READING (John 13:1)

Before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew 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.

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: We gather with the dirt of the day on our hands, our feet, and our hearts.

All: **We come here in need of a Savior; do we know what Jesus will do?**

Leader: We gather as disciples prepared to come to the table, yet surprised again by Jesus.

All: **We come with our expectations; are we ready to be astonished by love?**

Leader: We gather to be washed clean and to come to the table to be fed, in body and in spirit.

All: **We come to receive a new commandment; are we ready to love one another?**

Leader: We gather in awe of the grace Jesus shows as he kneels to serve his disciples.

All: **We come seeking the grace to love one another as Christ loves us. (Silence)**

***HYMN**

What Wondrous Love is This (UMH 292, v1)

PRAYER: Holy One, help us to trust in You and be strengthened! Help us to pay attention as we gather around the table tonight and to listen carefully to what you say. Help us to live our lives according to your will. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC

My Vision, My Shepherd Arr. Philip Kern
Chancel Choir

READING (John 13:2-5)

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.

***HYMN**

What Wondrous Love is This (UMH #292, v 2)

READING (John 13:6-17)

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 only my feet 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, 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.

REFLECTION

"Humbled"

Pastor Karen Evenson

***HYMN**

What Wondrous Love is This (UMH 292, v 3)

READING (John 13:31b-35)

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."

REFLECTION

"Glorified"

Pastor Karen Evenson

PRAYER

*Gracious God, your Anointed One, on the night before he suffered instituted the sacrament of his body and blood. Mercifully grant that we may receive it thankfully in remembrance of Jesus Christ our Lord, who in these holy mysteries gives us a pledge of eternal life. **Amen.***

***COMMUNION HYMN**

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence (UMH 626, v 1-2)

HOLY COMMUNION

Leader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to our Creator. **All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Pastor: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give you our thanks and praise, O God, creator of heaven and earth...

BREAKING OF THE BREAD & SHARING OF THE CUP

COMMUNION AND OFFERING *O Sacrum Convivium (O Sacred Gathering)* by James Biery
Chancel Choir

If you would like to make a donation during this service, you may:

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PRAYER

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others. We pray this prayer of Jesus as we remember the gifts you give...

THE LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN

Were You There (UMH 288, v 1 & 5)

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded
by Hans L. Hassler; harmonization by J.S. Bach

At the end of the service, the altar will be covered in a black cloth. Please consider leaving the worship space in silence tonight. On Good Friday you can stay with Jesus in prayer, either on your own or by spending time in the Prayer Vigil here in the sanctuary.

March 29, 2024

Good (Holy) Friday Prayer Vigil

7am to 7pm

(Walk-in and spend time with Jesus in the sanctuary during any hour of the day)

March 31, 2024

Easter Sunday

Mark 16:1-8

“What Do We Do Now?”

Message by Pastor Karen Evenson

Worship Hospitality Team

Choral Conductor ~ George Chu

Communion Steward ~ Candy and Dave Gislason, Carol Moen,
Julie and Michael Storm-Levia, Rhonda Fochs, and Jim January

Deaconess ~ Kim Harris

Greeters ~ Laurie and Rosalie Huston

Nursery Coordinator ~ Amanda Harris

Organist ~ Marilyn Tice

Pastor ~ Rev. Karen Evenson

Scripture Reader ~ Rosalie Huston

Snow Removal and Salting ~ Scott Evenson

Ushers ~ David Blincow, Gail Sanstad, John Lloyd, and Mark Worst

Welcome Center ~ Colleen Capuzzi

Worship Tech ~ Dallas Berry

MARCH Ministry Highlight



Emma Norton

The mission of Emma Norton Services is to provide transformational housing and growth for women and families on their journey of recovery.

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