



# MAUNDY THURSDAY

April 14, 2022  
7:00 pm



## MAUNDY THURSDAY – TENEBRAE SERVICE

*On this Holy Night we gather to remember Christ's last meal with his disciples and to come to the table to receive God's blessings through sharing in the sacrament. We also observe The Service of Tenebrae (from a Latin word meaning shadows or darkness) which dates back to the eighth century. The service is a movement from light to darkness, reminding us of the fading loyalty of Jesus' disciples and friends during the last hours of his life and during his death on the Cross. Tonight, let us prayerfully reflect upon Christ's life and death and upon our dedication to following in Christ's way.*

### THE PRELUDE

### THE WELCOME

### \*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

- L. We have gathered in the presence of God who is love.
- P. We have gathered in the shadow of the cross, sign of God's love.**
- L. Let us give thanks for the compassion of God, the grace of Jesus Christ, and the unity of the Holy Spirit.
- A. We will pray and sing, praising God with hearts and hands and voices. Amen. \***

\*THE OPENING HYMN                      *"Beneath the Cross"*                      No. 195

### \*THE INVOCATION (In Unison)

Ever-gracious God, we gather in this evening hour as friends gathered with Jesus in an Upper Room long ago. We come bearing the marks and burdens of a bitter and broken world. We come from anonymous places, with dry and thirsty spirits. Remind us, in the breaking of the bread, of our need and of your great sufficiency. Refresh us and make us whole with the cup of forgiveness. Draw us nearer to each other in mutual service and closer to you in the covenant of faithfulness and thanksgiving. As the night advances, deepen in us a sense of your steadfast love for us in Jesus Christ, our friend and Redeemer. Amen.<sup>MM</sup>

THE ANTHEM                      *"Jesus Paid It All"*                      -Kingsman

### OFFERING PRAYER

THE SCRIPTURE                      **Matthew 5:1-12**

MEDITATION                      *Thoughts About an Imperfect Life and Faith  
"We Are Blessed, Regardless"*

THE HYMN                      *"An Upper Room"*                      No. 385

### THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

#### INVITATION AND CALL TO CONFESSION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (IN UNISON)

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo.

**Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ our Savior.**

*(...silent prayers of confession...) Amen.\**

#### THE WORDS OF ASSURANCE

#### THE COMMUNION PRAYER AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER (IN UNISON)

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

#### THE SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

#### THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

THE HYMN                      *"Were You There"*                      No. 198

### THE TENEBRAE SERVICE

**John 18:12-19-24**

THE ARREST OF JESUS                      **John 18:1-12**

PETER'S DENIAL OF JESUS                      **John 18:13-27**

JESUS BEFORE PILATE                      **John 18:28-19:16a**

THE CRUCIFIXION OF JESUS                      **John 19:16b-27**

THE DEATH OF JESUS

John 19:28-37

THE BURIAL OF JESUS

John 19:38-42

THE FINAL READING

John 1:1-4, 14, 10, 12; 3:19

THE BLESSING

*Please leave the sanctuary in silence. If there are those who would like to remain a while for prayer and meditation, please do so.*

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