

Silent Prayers of Confession

Declaration of Pardon

Pastor: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Passing of the Peace

(Worshippers safely greet one another with the peace of Christ.)

Welcome and Announcements

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament

Exodus 12:1-14

Psalms 116:1-2, 12-13, 17a, 18-19

Unison

I love the Lord, who heard my voice and my supplication.

Because God inclined his ear to me, I will call on him as long as I live.

What shall I return to the Lord for all his bounty to me?

I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord.

I will offer to you a sacrifice of thanksgiving.

I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people,

in the courts of the house of the Lord; in your midst, O Jerusalem.

Epistle

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Gospel

John 13:1-17, 31b-35

Sermon

It Is a Thing Most Wonderful

Mike Krech

“Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end.” John 13:1b

The congregation stands to sing

Hymn 94

An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare

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Unison; Hymnal, page 15, Ecumenical

The congregation sits.

Prayers of the People – The Solemn Intercessions

Anthem

Come and Mourn With Me Awhile

Anna Laura Page, 1991

Come and mourn with me awhile, come to the Savior's side; come together, let us mourn, our Lord is crucified. Have we no tears to shed for Him while soldiers scoff and foes deride; ah look how patiently He hangs, our Lord is crucified. O love of God, O sin of man! In this dread act your strength is tried and victory remains with love, our Lord is crucified. (-- Frederick W. Faber, 1849)

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table

Words of Institution

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors) Unison; Hymnal, page 16, Traditional

You may come by the center aisle to receive the bread and cup from the pastor and elders.

OR you may go to the table to the right and eat the bread and drink from a cup there.

Please give the person in front of you adequate time for a reverent Communion.

Place the empty cup in the basket provided.

All Christians are invited to receive the Sacrament.

Organ During Communion

The Glory of These Forty Days

(Tune: Erhalt Uns, Herr by Klug) arr. Wayne L. Wold

Prayer of Thanksgiving after Communion

Unison

God of grace, your Son Jesus Christ left us this holy meal of bread and wine,
in which we share his body and blood.

May we who have celebrated this sign of his great love

show forth in our lives the fruits of his redemption. Amen.

The Solemn Reproaches of the Cross

In this historic prayer of the church, the leader speaks as the voice of God, the Creator and Giver of Life and Shepherd of Israel, and as the voice of the Lord Jesus Christ from the cross.

Each portion of the prayer ends with the exchange:

Pastor: ... you have prepared a cross for your Savior.

Unison: Holy God,

Holy and mighty,

Holy, immortal One,

Have mercy upon us.

The congregation stands to sing

Hymn 97, st.1,2,3

Go to Dark Gethsemane

Redhead 76

The congregation sits.

The Stripping of the Church

In keeping with the solemn events of Maundy Thursday night and Good Friday, the Church developed the custom of removing many of the symbols and appointments of worship from the worship space. This speaks to the solitude of Christ in his suffering on our behalf and leaves the church fittingly unadorned for Good Friday.

(Further instructions on the Stripping of the Church continues on the next page.)

Hymn Texts for Online Worship

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

When I survey the wondrous cross On which the Prince of glory died.
My richest gain I count but loss And pour contempt on all pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, Save in the death of Christ my God.
All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to His blood.

See, from His head, His hands, His feet, Sorrow and love flow mingled down;
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine, That were a present far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my soul, my life, my all.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1707;

Tune: ROCKINGHAM;

Second Supplement to Psalmsody in Miniature, 1783; Harm. Edward Miller, 1790

An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare

An upper room did our Lord prepare For those He loved until the end:
And His disciples still gather there To celebrate their risen Friend.

A lasting gift Jesus gave His own: To share His bread, His loving cup.
Whatever burdens may bow us down, He by His cross shall lift us up.

And after supper He washed their feet, For service, too, is sacrament.
In Christ our joy shall be made complete: Sent out to serve, as He was sent.

No end there is! We depart in peace, He loves beyond the uttermost:
In every room in our Father's house Christ will be there, as Lord and Host.

Text: Fred Pratt Green, 1973;

Tune: O WALY WALY; English folk melody; Harm. John Weaver, 1988

Go to Dark Gethsemane

Go to dark Gethsemane, All who feel the tempter's power;
Your Redeemer's conflict see, Watch with Him one bitter hour;
Turn not from His griefs away, Learn from Jesus Christ to pray.

Follow to the judgment hall; View the Lord of life arraigned;
O the wormwood and the gall! O the pangs His soul sustained!
Shun not suffering, shame, or loss; Learn from Christ to bear the cross.

Calvary's mournful mountain climb, Where they laid his breathless clay:
Mark the miracle of time, God's own sacrifice complete;
"It is finished!" hear Him cry; Learn from Jesus Christ to die.

Text: James Montgomery, 1820, 1825; alt.

Tune: REDHEAD 76; Richard Redhead, 1853