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WELCOME VISITORS! Thank you for coming! Please sign a pew card to place in the offering plate.

You are invited to our Easter Celebration

9a-10a Breakfast

9:45a Egg Hunt

10:30a-11:30a Worship

Paper Angel Closet Needs

Women's Deodorant
Tissues

Bleach

Shampoo
Toilet Paper

Laundry Soap
Toothpaste

Giving Bean Fundraiser

Giving Bean is a coffee and Tea online shop who gives a portion of sales to St. John's when you order through this QR code.

With a cleansed heart I pledge more Love.

11 Amazing Love

Graham Kendrick

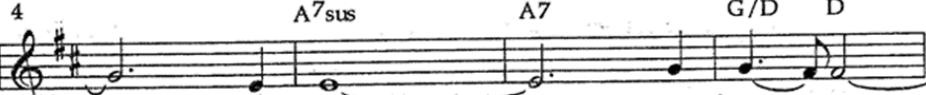
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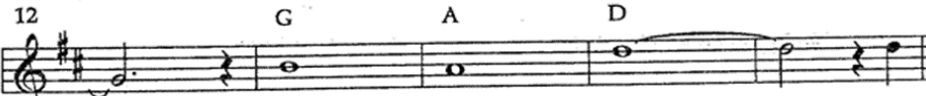
1. My Lord, _____ what love is this _____
2. And so _____ they watched Him die, _____
3. And now _____ this love of Christ _____



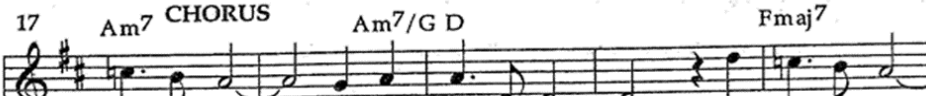
4 _____ that pays _____ so dear - ly; _____
_____ de - spised, _____ re - ject - ed; _____
_____ shall flow _____ like riv - ers; _____



8 _____ That I, _____ the guilt - y one _____
_____ But O, _____ the blood He shed _____
_____ Come wash _____ your guilt a - way, _____



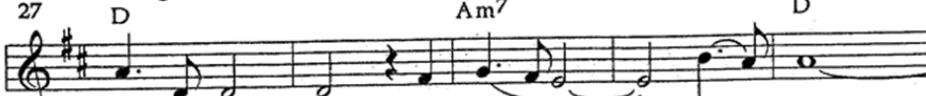
12 _____ may go free. _____ A -
_____ flowed for me. _____
_____ live a gain. _____



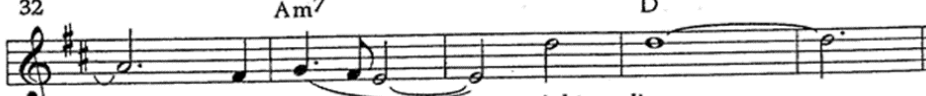
17 _____ maz - ing love, _____ O what sac - ri - fice, _____ The Son of God, _____



22 _____ giv'n for me; _____ My debt He pays _____ and my



27 _____ death He dies, _____ That I _____ might live, _____



32 _____ that I _____ might live. _____

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(All speak Bold Print, leaders speak plain print. * Please stand)

Prelude

Welcome

Invocation (Unison)

Holy Love, who comes to us fearless and learns fear, who comes to us exalted and embraces humility, and who comes to us in spirit and clothes themselves in flesh and bone, we honor you and your many names. We offer you our hopes and fears, the experiences of our past and the path of our future, our worship and our wonderings. May we hear, see, taste, smell, touch, and know you more abundantly. May we share in you and in your love for your glory. Amen.

Cleansing before Feast

Scripture John13:1-17, 31-35

Meditation

Prayer of Cleansing Love Transformation and New Life

Holy God of Cleansing Love, bathe us in your merciful presence and transformative acts. May we know the power of your grace and be inextricably drawn into your redemptive power. Let us be made new this day, moving forward from the sins of the past for the glory of the future. Strengthen us for the rough roads of this journey, the sacrifices of the crosses we will carry, and the pain felt in relentless love and solidarity with our neighbors. Amen.

Words of Grace

The Sovereign One humbles themselves to wash us clean of burdens and barriers to life abundant, righteous, just, and flourishing. May we humble ourselves to receive the gift of forgiveness, grace, mercy, and service that Jesus offers each day, and we remem-

ber especially on this day. The power of the Spirit resides in us, and the love of God knows no end. You are redeemed, chosen, and loved. Be refreshed, renewed, and transformed in Christ Jesus.

Communion

"This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance." (Exodus 12:14)

Blessing the Bread and Cup

Choir: At the Supper with the Lamb

Sharing the Bread and the Cup

Eat as a sign of your personal faith. Drink of the cup with the pastor and the rest of our community as a sign of our communal faith.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Tenebrae

First of the Shadows: John 18: 1—11
Hymn #219 "Journey to Gethsemane" (verses 1-3)
 Extinguish Candle

Second of the Shadows: John 18: 12—27
Hymn #229 "Were you There" (v. 1, 2)
 Extinguish Candle

Third of the Shadows: John 18: 28—38a
"Bring Me to the Chross" Choir
 Extinguish Candle

Fourth of the Shadows: John 18:38b-19:16a
Hymn #226 "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" (v. 1-2)

Extinguish Candle

Fifth of the Shadows: John 19:16b-30
Hymn #224 "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" (v. 1, 3, 4)
 Extinguish Candle

Sixth of the Shadows: John 19:31—42
"Amazing Love" (v.1,3 page 6)
 Extinguish Candle

Seventh of the Shadows:
John 13:31-35
"Grace at the Cross"
Jeanne Anderson, Ben Stucky
 Extinguish Candle

Benediction

Trembling: Service Prayers for Maundy Thursday was written by the Rev. Dr. Cheryl A. Lindsay, Minister for Worship and Theology for the United Church of Christ.