

**ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
**March 28, 2024 - 7:00 pm**  
**MAUNDY THURSDAY/GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE**  
**Bonnie Jacque, Pastor**

**PRELUDE**

**RINGING OF THE BELL**

**WELCOME**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP.**

One: Welcome to you who call upon the name of Christ. We gather tonight to recall the story of the night Jesus was betrayed. Are you prepared to come to the feast of Jesus, the Christ?

**MANY: By the grace of God, we are.**

One: Are you able to watch with Jesus at prayer in the garden, indeed, to struggle yourselves to be in unity with God's will for you?

**MANY: By the grace of God, we are.**

One: Are you prepared to listen as the crowd cries, "Crucify him"?

**MANY: By the grace of God, we are.**

One: Are you able to hear the nails pounded into his hands and feet?

**MANY: By the grace of God, we are.**

One: Are you willing to stand at the foot of the cross with Mary and weep?

**MANY: By the grace of God, we are.**

One: Then let us praise God, even in this hour of darkness!

**ALL: God of grace and steadfast love, greatly is your name to be praised in all the earth.**

**\*HYMN**    God of Grace and God of Glory                      #436 vs 1 & 4

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**SILENT CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** O Christ, in your presence we discover who we are. You wash our feet, and we learn how reluctant we are to serve one another and the world around us. We are so like your disciples, who looked to their own self-centered interests even as you prepared to give yourself for the sake of the whole world. Forgive us and help us treasure your presence more deeply. Amen.

**WORDS OF FORGIVENESS**

**SCRIPTURE READING**                      John 13: 1-17, 31b-35

**HYMN**                      Jesus, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love                      #498 vs 1, 4, 5

**SCRIPTURE READING**

1 Corinthians 11: 23-32

**CHOIR**

Jesus Paid It All

**HOLY COMMUNION**

**A SERVICE OF TENEBRAE**

**SCRIPTURE**

Isaiah 53: 1-6

The Suffering Servant

First Candle Extinguished

**SCRIPTURE**

John 12: 27-36

The Hour is Coming

Second Candle Extinguished

**SCRIPTURE**

Matthew 26: 1-22

Surely Not I

Third Candle Extinguished

**PRAYER**

Surely Not I?

**SCRIPTURE**

John 13: 23-30

Judas Identified

Fourth Candle Extinguished

**SCRIPTURE**

Matthew 26: 30-35

The Scattered Flock

Fifth Candle Extinguished

**SCRIPTURE**

Mark 14: 32-42

Anguish in the Garden

Sixth Candle Extinguished

**\*HYMN**

Journey to Gethsemane

#219 verse 1

**SCRIPTURE**

Mark 14: 43-45

The Kiss of Betrayal

Seventh Candle Extinguished

**SCRIPTURE**

John 18: 25-27

Peter's Denial

## Eighth Candle Extinguished

### SCRIPTURE

Luke 23: 13-25  
The Crowd's Denial  
Ninth Candle Extinguished

### SCRIPTURE

Matthew 27: 27-31  
The Soldier's Abuse  
Tenth Candle Extinguished

### SCRIPTURE

Luke 23: 26, 32-43  
Crucifixion  
Eleventh Candle Extinguished

### HYMN

Were You There?                      Vs 1-2

### SCRIPTURE

Mark 15: 33-39  
Forsaken  
Twelfth Candle Extinguished

### HYMN

On A Hill Far Away                      vs 1 & 4

## STRIPPING THE ALTAR

## WORDS OF HOPE

At this time, you are invited to come forward and place your nail in the bowl thereby offering to God your anguish, sadness, or pain.

We ask that you leave the sanctuary without talking and in silent reflection on the Passion of Jesus and return on Easter Sunday ready to sing praise to God for God's transforming power and grace.

\*Please stand in body or spirit as you are able.

Prayer: *Surely Not I?* was written by Steve Garnaas-Holmes and posted on **Unfolding Light**.  
<https://www.unfoldinglight.net>

*Come to the Table* written by Pastor Todd Jenkins, [giftsinopenhands.wordpress.com](http://giftsinopenhands.wordpress.com)