



**April 17, 2025**  
**6:30 pm Worship**

**Maundy Thursday**

**Message**  
**The King Becomes the Servant!**

**Scripture:**  
**1 Corinthians 11: 23-26;**  
**John 13: 1-15 NIV**



*Our Mission*

*The mission of the church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ  
for the transformation of the world.*

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# Maundy Thursday

## *Prelude*

## *Welcome*

### *\*Opening Prayer (unison)*

Dear Lord, as we draw closer to the cross of Good Friday, give us an awareness of our sin. Remind us that we have not always been the people you have called us to be. May your fresh and generous Spirit flow over us as we grow in newness in Jesus Christ. Amen.

### *\*Call to Worship: (unison)*

Come, come and seek the mysteries unfolding.

Squint your eye and bend your ear to these deep things of God.

The Son gathers with his followers, celebrating the ancient sacrifice of blood, of the coming of death, of the Passing Over of the Angel of death, foreshadowing what is to come. ...

The Son gathers with his followers, showing them the extent of his love.

The Son gathers with his followers, instituting a new covenant.

All things begin to come together here, here in the upper room.

Lord, let us look on and listen to these mysteries. Draw us deeper still, Spirit of God, into the depth, the significance of this celebration. Amen.

## *Hymn of Praise*

Beneath the Cross of Jesus #297

## *Scripture*

1 Corinthians 11: 23-26 NIV

<sup>23</sup> For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, <sup>24</sup> and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me." <sup>25</sup> In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me." <sup>26</sup> For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

\* Please stand as you are able.

**Scripture**

John 13: 1-15 NIV

It was just before the Passover Festival. Jesus knew that the hour had come for him to leave this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end.

<sup>2</sup> The evening meal was in progress, and the devil had already prompted Judas, the son of Simon Iscariot, to betray Jesus. <sup>3</sup> Jesus knew that the Father had put all things under his power, and that he had come from God and was returning to God; <sup>4</sup> so he got up from the meal, took off his outer clothing, and wrapped a towel around his waist. <sup>5</sup> After that, he poured water into a basin and began to wash his disciples' feet, drying them with the towel that was wrapped around him.

<sup>6</sup> He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?"

<sup>7</sup> Jesus replied, "You do not realize now what I am doing, but later you will understand."

<sup>8</sup> "No," said Peter, "you shall never wash my feet."

Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no part with me."

<sup>9</sup> "Then, Lord," Simon Peter replied, "not just my feet but my hands and my head as well!"

<sup>10</sup> Jesus answered, "Those who have had a bath need only to wash their feet; their whole body is clean. And you are clean, though not every one of you." <sup>11</sup> For he knew who was going to betray him, and that was why he said not every one was clean.

<sup>12</sup> When he had finished washing their feet, he put on his clothes and returned to his place. "Do you understand what I have done for you?" he asked them. <sup>13</sup> "You call me 'Teacher' and 'Lord,' and rightly so, for that is what I am. <sup>14</sup> Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. <sup>15</sup> I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you.

**Message**

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Hymn of Preparation

Let Us Break Bread Together #618

***Maundy Thursday Communion Service (Page 12)******\*Hymn of Dedication***

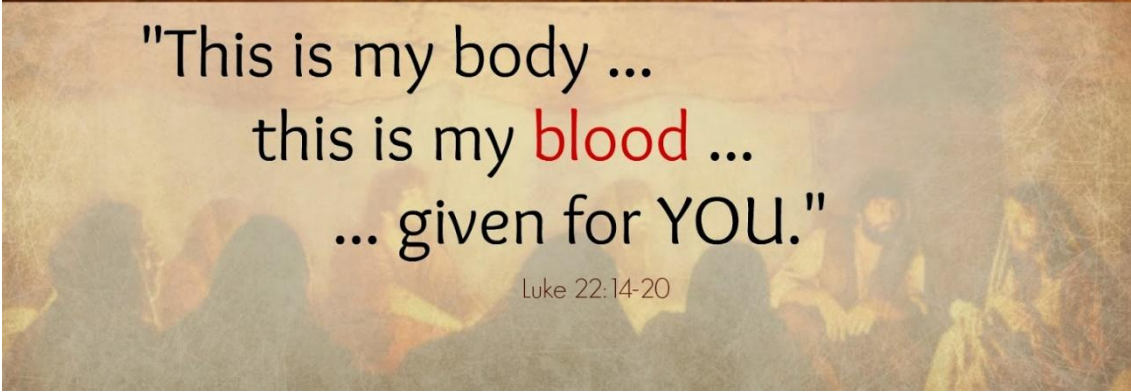
Were You There #288

***Benediction***

*Worship for today is over, but your service to God for the week is just beginning.*

A still life image featuring a dark, ornate chalice and a round, golden-brown loaf of bread resting on a dark, textured surface. The background is a warm, golden sunset sky with soft clouds. A piece of torn paper is overlaid on the right side of the image.

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A faint, artistic background image of the Last Supper, showing Jesus and his twelve apostles seated around a table. The scene is dimly lit, with a warm, golden light source, possibly a window or a fire, creating a somber and intimate atmosphere.

"This is my body ...  
this is my **blood** ...  
... given for YOU."

Luke 22:14-20