

Bulletin

Worship April 1, 2021 Holy Week Worship

For Worship today consider gathering: a candle, a Bible, the worship material with prayers. Thank you for joining in worship!

Prelude

"Were You There"
Words and Music: Arr. William Farley
Smith
Adam Ferrara, Organ

Gather In with Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw

Candle lighting with the Pierce family

Exodus 12:11 says, "Wear your traveling clothes as you eat this meal, as though prepared for a long journey. Wear your sandals and carry your walking sticks in your hands. Eat the food guickly, for this is the Lord's Passover."

We light this candle, knowing it will soon be extinguished. (Light a candle) The darkness of Christ's death is near, but before that end, we share bread and juice, our last ritual of love, our last word spoken. May the warmth of this flame sustain us for these final moments.

Let us pray... We have traveled. Each step was demanding. Every step was our choice. Just beyond a meal, we meet death. Jesus, Holy One, we carry our anticipation and grief with us. God of endings, God of darkness, God of the tomb, God of dark days and great loss, we cling to the assurance of your love, even when things are hard. Amen.

Opening Song

"What Wondrous Love is This"
Words and Music: USA Folk Hymn
Virtual Ensemble



Scripture with Rollin Grider
John 13:1-17 and 31-35

Song of the Word

"Come and Find the Quiet Center" Words: Shirley Erena Murray Music: Att. to B.F. White

Praise Band

Message

Of Those with Dirty Feet Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw

Foot Washing Prayer with Rev. Frank Hallock

O Jesus, my feet are dirty. Come even as a servant to me, pour water into your bowl; come and wash my feet. In asking such a thing I know I am overbold. I regret my shallow demands. It was well for Peter to ask you but who am I all these years later. From my head to my toes, refresh my life. From my heart to my words, heal my spirit. Though you cleansed me before, I come before you again. Let your life breathe into me, and let your waters break over me. You have given a new commandment that we love one another, as you love us. I will do as you command, if only you will wash me from my pain, my sins, my regrets. Amen.

Song of the Word

"Were You There"

Words and Music: Arr. William Farley

Smith

Frank Hallock and Jimmy Patton

Litany of the Table and the Cross

So they took Jesus, and he went out carrying his own cross, to the place of a skull, called in Hebrew, Golgotha. There they crucified him.

The table is set before us. A feast is prepared. A meal of bread and wine, of meat and bitter herbs. It is the Passover.



King of the Jews. Two others, one on either side, Jesus between them. Many saw. Then they divided his clothes as his mother weep.

The Lord calls us to this supper of remembrance. This is my body broken for you. This is the blood of a new covenant. We are a new creation as we meet at the table. We are a new family as we meet at the cross.

Jesus said, "I thirst." Jesus received vinegar from a sponge, then said, "It is finished," and bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

Christ's sacrifice. Christ's love. For Christ, we wait.

His mother went home with the disciple Jesus loved most, as Jesus's body was pierced and brought down from the cross. Jesus's body was placed in a tomb, embalmed with spices and wrapped in linen cloths.

It is not a day of mourning but for awe. It is not a day of grief but for transformation and new life.

Now is your moment. Take a piece of bread and remember. Take a sip of juice and remember.

The Lamb of God, that takes the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

The Lamb of God, that takes the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

The Lamb of God, that takes the sins of the world, grant us peace.

Let the candle you light be extinguished now. Christ has been denied. Christ has been betrayed. The weight of all grief is upon us.

The Tomb of Death will be opened again, but for now it is sealed. Even in the darkness, we cling to hope... Now and Forever. Amen.

Benediction with Pastor Leigh Ann

Go now in peace, until we come together again on Easter morning. Amen.



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