

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Maundy Thursday
April 14, 2022 7:00 pm

PRELUDE "Ah, Holy Jesus" J. Brahms
Dr. Mark Coffey

WORDS OF WELCOME

CHORAL INTROIT "My Lord is Weeping" By Patrick M. Liebergen

*CALL TO WORSHIP Rev. James Taylor
Minister: Jesus said: I give you a new commandment that you love one another.
People: Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another
Minister: Beloved people of God: This is the day when Christ, our Passover Lamb, surrendered himself into the hands of those who would kill him.
People: This is the day when Jesus Christ gathered with his disciples in the Upper Room to celebrate the Passover meal.
Minister: This is the day when Christ took a towel and washed his disciples' feet, giving us an example that we should do to others as he has done for us.
People: This is the day when Jesus Christ gave us a new commandment to love one another.
Minister: This is the day when Christ, the bread of heaven, gave us this holy feast as a means of grace to feed upon him and so become strengthen to continue our journey as his faithful disciples.
All: Let us worship the Lord.

*HYMN "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" No. 223

CONFESSON AND PARDON Dr. Don McGarity
Minister: Lord Jesus, you were sent to heal the contrite heart: Lord, have mercy.
All: Lord, have mercy.
Minister: Lord Jesus, you came to call sinners: Christ, have mercy.
All: Christ, have mercy.
Minister: Lord Jesus, you are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us: Lord, have mercy.
All: Lord, have mercy.
Minister: May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life..
All: Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI No. 623
"Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end, Amen, amen."

SOLO "Via Dolorosa" Sung by Juanita Ratliff
Words and Music By Billy Sprague and Niles Borop

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST LESSON Exodus 12:1-14

*HYMN "Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed" No. 212

SECOND READING Psalm 116:1-6, 12-19

*HYMN "An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare" No. 202

GOSPEL LESSON John 13:1-17, 31b-35
Minister: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "An Extraterrestrial Celebration" Dr. Don McGarity

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT THANKSGIVING
Minister: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Minister: Lift up your hearts.
People: We lift them up to the Lord.
Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

COMMUNION PRAYER
Minister: Father, it is our duty and our salvation..... And so we join the angels and the saints in proclaiming your glory as we say:
All: Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Minister: Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith.

All: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Minister: Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

All: Amen

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

No. 426 (red hymnal)

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

Minister: This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. Happy are those who are called to his supper.

All: Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

DISTRIBUTION (We wait until everyone has been served and then commune as one)

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*HYMN

"Were You There?"

No. 228

STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR

(Please exit in silence)

We are grateful to have Rev. James Taylor, Pastor 1st United Methodist Church, to participate in this Sacred Service.

Presbyterians celebrate an "open communion." All professing Christians who have been baptized "In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit" are encouraged to partake of this Holy Sacrament.

