

# Maundy Thursday Service

April 2, 2026 | 7:30 p.m.



## WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

\* Asterisks invite us to rise in body or spirit.

**Words in bold are for everyone to say or sing.**

The sound of bells summons us to gather for worship.

*With Maundy Thursday and Good Friday, Lent comes to its end.  
Maundy Thursday (from mandatum, Latin for “commandment”)  
proclaims Jesus’ new commandment to love one another as he has loved,  
shown in Jesus’ washing of the disciples’ feet.*

Prelude Lord God, Now Be Glorified

J.S. Bach

Opening Sentences

Austin Vernon

John 13:24

Anthem: Thomas Tallis

A new commandment give I unto you:  
that ye love together as I have loved you,  
that e’en so ye love one another.  
By this shall everyone know that ye are my disciples,  
if ye have love one to another.

This is the day  
when Jesus, the Lamb of God,  
surrendered himself to those who would kill him,  
freeing us from death.

This is the day  
when Christ, our Teacher and Lord,  
knelt down to wash the disciples’ feet,  
showing us how to love and serve one another.

This is the day  
when Christ, the bread of heaven,  
shared a holy meal with his followers,  
offering a feast of abundant life and grace for all.

Prayer of the Day

\*Hymn 202 An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare

O WALY WALY

**\*Confession and Pardon**

Even in the company of Christ,  
we deny we know him.

Let us return to God,  
trusting the One who washes our feet and feeds our souls.

**Holy One,**

**You know the light and darkness in our hearts. Like Peter, we often fail to understand your ways. We have good intentions, yet fail to act when called. We boast of our faith, but when it comes time to stand firm, we shy away. We betray, hide, distract, and deny. At times, we do evil in your sight. We fail to love one another sacrificially, as you have loved us and commanded us.**

**Have mercy, O God; for your love is greater than our failures. You wash our feet and cleanse us from our sin. Turn us toward the cross; and in our discipleship, give us courage to take up the cross and follow you.**

**This we ask, through Christ our Lord.**

The Christ who kneels to wash us  
is the same Christ who lifts us up.

In the name of Jesus,  
we are loved and forgiven.

**Thanks be to God.**

**\*Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you all.

**And also with you.**

## WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Judy Yates Siker

Reading Exodus 12:1-4, 11-14

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Psalm 116:1-2, 12-18

*refrain sung by all*

The image shows a musical score for a refrain. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature has one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics 'I love the Lord, who heard my cry.' are written below the treble staff. The music features a simple, hymn-like melody with a steady bass line. There are some ties and phrasing slurs in the melody.

I love the LORD, who has heard my voice,  
and listened to my supplication,  
for the LORD has given ear to me  
whenever I called. *refrain*

How shall I repay the LORD  
for all the good things God has done for me?  
I will lift the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD.  
I will fulfill my vows to the LORD  
in the presence of all God's people. *refrain*

Precious in your sight, O LORD,  
is the death of your servants.  
O LORD, truly I am your servant;  
I am your servant, the child of your handmaid;  
you have freed me from my bonds.  
I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call upon the name of the LORD.  
I will fulfill my vows to the LORD  
in the presence of all God's people. *refrain*

Reading John 13:1-17, 21-35

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Sermon Marked

Lee Hunter

Prayers of Intercession

Bailey Morton

\*Hymn 226 There in God's Garden

SHADES MOUNTAIN

## WE SHARE THE LORD'S SUPPER

*We pray for one another and for the world  
and meet Jesus at the table, where he hosts a meal for his followers.*

Reading 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

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Invitation

Great Thanksgiving and The Lord's Prayer

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

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts,  
as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

*You are invited to come forward for communion. As a spot becomes available, take a place at the table.  
After you have received bread and cup, turn to your neighbor and serve them, saying “this is the bread of  
life; the cup of salvation” or, “this is Christ’s body, broken for you; this is Christ’s blood, shed for you.”  
When you have received communion and served your neighbor, you may return to your seat.  
If you wish to be served in your seat, raise your hand and elders will serve you.*

Hymn 227 Jesus, Remember Me

REMEMBER ME

**Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.  
Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.**

A new commandment give I unto you:  
that ye love together as I have loved you,  
that e’en so ye love one another.

By this shall everyone know that ye are my disciples,  
if ye have love one to another.

Prayer after Communion

## WE DEPART

*Paraments and vestments are removed, the table is cleared, and the cross is shrouded,  
echoing Jesus’ abandonment by his followers and the garments stripped from him at the crucifixion.  
Thirty-three tolls of the bell mark each year of Jesus’ life.*

Hymn Were You There

WERE YOU THERE

**Were you there when they crucified my Lord?  
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?  
O, sometimes it causes me to tremble,  
tremble, tremble.  
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?**

*We depart in silence.*

*Worship continues tomorrow evening with the service for Good Friday at 7:30 in Main Hall.*

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# An Upper Room Did Our Lord 202

## Prepare



1 An up - per room did our Lord pre - pare for those he  
2 A last - ing gift Je - sus gave his own: to share his  
3 And af - ter sup - per he washed their feet, for ser - vice,  
4 No end there is! We de - part in peace. He loves be -



loved un - til the end: and his dis - ci - ples still  
bread, his lov - ing cup. What - ev - er bur - dens may  
too, is sac - ra - ment. In Christ our joy shall be  
yond our ut - ter - most: in ev - ery room in our



gath - er there to cel - e - brate their ris - en friend.  
bow us down, he by his cross shall lift us up.  
made com - plete: sent out to serve, as he was sent.  
Fa - ther's house Christ will be there, as Lord and Host.

*Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.*

This text brings together the two New Testament traditions regarding Jesus' final evening with his disciples: the Synoptic account of the Last Supper (Matthew 26:26-29/Mark 14:22-25/Luke 22:14-20) and the Fourth Gospel's report of his washing the disciples' feet (John 13:3-17).

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MUSIC: English folk melody; harm. John Weaver, 1988  
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O WALY WALY  
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# 226 There in God's Garden

1 There in God's gar - den stands the tree of Wis - dom,  
 2 Its name is Je - sus, name that says, "Our Sav - ior!"  
 3 Thorns not its own are tan - gled in its fo - liage;  
 4 See how its branch - es reach to us in wel - come;

whose leaves hold forth the heal - ing of the na - tions:  
 There on its branch - es see the scars of suf - fering;  
 our greed has starved it; our de - spite has choked it.  
 hear what the Voice says, "Come to me, ye wea - ry!

tree of all knowl - edge, tree of all com -  
 see there the ten - drils of our hu - man  
 Yet, look! it lives! its grief has not de -  
 Give me your sick - ness; give me all your

These evocative stanzas on Christ's Passion come from a twelve-stanza hymn by a 17th-century Hungarian pastor, as translated by the preeminent 20th-century hymnologist of the English-speaking world. The tune name honors the composer's home in the foothills of the Appalachians.