The Worship of God Traveling Together: Welcoming God & One Another

March 28, 2024

MAUNDY THURSDAY

Six Thirty O'Clock

In preparation for this service of worship, meditate upon the poem printed on the cover of the order of worship.

MEDITATION

ORGAN PRELUDE: "Herzliebster Jesu, was hast du verbrochen"

I. S. Bach

WELCOME

CHORAL INTROIT: "Crux Fidelis"

Robert Lehman

Faithful cross above all other, one and only noble tree! None in foliage, none in blossom, none in fruit thy peer may be: sweetest wood and sweetest iron, sweetest weight is hung on thee.

* THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: Why have you come to this place?

People: To worship the Lord and receive blessing from God.

Minister: Why have you come on this night?

People: To remember Jesus' sacrifice and his love for us.

Minister: Why have you gathered around this table?

People: Because it is a banquet of love and a feast of salvation.

Minister: Are you willing to eat this bread and drink this cup?

People: With God's help, his forgiveness, and his mercy, we are.

Minister: So be it. Let us worship the Lord in spirit and in truth!

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 210 "Ah, Holy Jesus"

Herzliebster Iesu

THE INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

PROCLAMATION

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Exodus 12:1-4, 11-14

THE GOSPEL LESSON: John 13:1-17, 34-35

REFLECTION: Rev. Edwards

CANTATA: A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth David von Kampen

1. Opening Strings and Organ

2. A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth Chorus

3. God Will Provide Himself a Lamb Tenor

4. This Lamb is Christ Chorus
5. He Was Despised and Rejected Tenor
6. O Wondrous Love Chorus

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7. Chorale Chorus

See insert for complete text of the cantata.

THE CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

THE RESPONSIVE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Minister: Merciful God, our sure hope on earth and in heaven, we confess to you

and to each other that we are sinners who need a most patient and

generous Savior.

People: We have not loved you without reserve, we have not loved others

without conditions, we have not even loved our own souls.

Minister: We have spread folly rather than wisdom, anxiety instead of trust, and

we have allowed ignorance and prejudice to misshape our words and

deeds.

People: We have subtly crucified good things that emerge from others and

from our own hearts. We have wounded Christ, not with cruel actions alone, but with a horde of small betrayals and compromises.

Minister: As we repent and seek your costly grace; please let forgiveness,

cleansing, and much spiritual repair happen in us this day.

All: Grant us your grace through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND THE CUP

You are invited to come forward to receive communion. Following the choir, form two lines, using the center aisle as you approach the altar and the side aisles as you return to your seat. If you prefer to remain seated, a Deacon will serve you. This evening we will receive communion by intinction. Please break a piece of bread from the loaf, dip it into the cup, and receive the two together. A common response when taking communion is to say, "Thanks be to God." or a simple, "Amen."

MEDITATION HYMN 195: "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

Hamburg

The hymn will be sung during the serving of Communion.

Please join in singing from your seat before and after you have been served.

THE PASSION OF OUR LORD

THE PASSION READING: Matthe

Matthew 26:36-56

THE EXTINGUISHING OF THE LIGHT

ORGAN MEDITATION: "Were You There?"

Spiritual

DEPARTURE IN SILENCE

You may leave in silence at this time or remain seated for meditation, if you choose.

* Congregation stands.

LAKESIDE AT WORSHIP

Good Friday Prayers - March 29 12:00 p.m. - Sanctuary

Resurrection Sunday, March 31 Growing Together Groups - 9:45 a.m. Easter Worship - 11:00 a.m.

FLOWERING THE CROSS

For our celebration on Easter Sunday, March 31, there will be a "Flowering Cross" in the Lehman Courtyard. We invite you to bring cut flowers from your own yard (if possible) and place them on the cross before worship begins as a witness to the new life offered to us through Christ's Resurrection.

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

The Lakeside Chancel Choir James Taylor, Tenor Anna Sykes, Violin Benjamin Brooks, Violin Joshua Doggett, Viola Kristi Roller, Cello

Elizabeth Edwards Associate Minister Zackary Ross Organist James Mauk
Minister of Music
Daniel Edwards
Acolyte



Maundy Thursday, all the world is still
And Jesus is at supper with his friends
No longer in the upper room, that hall
In Zion where the story starts and ends,
For he descended from it long ago
To find his new friends in the here and now

Maundy Thursday, all the world is still
And Jesus is at supper with his friends
Our doors are locked for fear, but he has skill
In breaking barriers. With ease he bends
Our prison bars, slips past the sentry post
And joins us as the guest who is our host.

Malcolm Guite from MAUNDY THURSDAY, ALL THE WORLD IS STILL April 2020

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