

March Devos
Supper with Friends
Week of March 15, 2026

Easter is approaching. Weekly devotions are provided during March to help us draw closer to Jesus as we walk with Him through His suffering.

- These devos are designed to be used with family, friends & groups. Always better together.
- You will find a link to weekly devos on the NH App and website.
- Please consider periodic food-fasts throughout the month as a way to devote yourself to Jesus. ([See Pastor Mark's fasting video.](#))

THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE READING

Jesus and His disciples are sharing a Passover meal. They've done this together for several years. But this time is different. Jesus is more solemn, and the meal feels more somber. The evening takes an uneasy turn as Jesus breaks bread and passes His cup...

Matthew 26:20–30 *"When evening came, Jesus was reclining at the table with the Twelve. And while they were eating, He said, 'I tell you the truth, one of you will betray Me.' They were very sad and began to say to Him one after the other, 'Surely not I, Lord?' Then Judas, the one who would betray Him, said, 'Surely not I, Rabbi?' Jesus answered, 'Yes, it is you.' While they were eating, Jesus took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to His disciples, saying, 'Take and eat; this is My Body, given for you.' Then He took the cup, gave thanks and offered it to them, saying, 'Drink from it, all of you. This is My Blood of the New Covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in remembrance of Me. I tell you, I will not drink of this fruit of the vine from now on until that day when I drink it anew with you in My Father's Kingdom.' When they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives."*

FOR REFLECTION & DISCUSSION

1. In the first century, people would eat at a low table, seated on pillows on the floor.

- What does the depiction of Jesus "reclining" with the disciples infer about Jesus' relationship with His disciples?
- How do you feel about being in the presence of Jesus? Describe what it's like for you to be near Jesus.

2. At the Passover meal, Jesus predicts His betrayal: One of His own will turn His back on Jesus.

- What do you suppose the disciples are feeling as they ask Jesus if they will betray Him? What do you suppose Jesus was feeling?
- How have you betrayed Jesus with your heart, words and deeds? What are your emotions as you consider how personal our sin is to Jesus? :

3. Jesus directly predicts Judas will betray Him.

- What does the accuracy of Jesus' prediction tell us about Jesus? Is there anything Jesus doesn't know? (See Matthew 24:36)
- What do we learn about Jesus' heart as He serves Judas the Passover meal? How does this speak to our relationship with Jesus?

4. As Jesus passes the bread and wine to His disciples, He says, "This is My Body," and "This is My Blood."

- What are we to understand about the broken bread from the Last Supper represent? How is this meaningful and/or emotional for you?
- What are we to understand about the wine from the Last Supper represent? How is this meaningful and/or emotional for you?

5. Jesus concludes this Passover meal with these words: "Do this in remembrance of Me."

- As we share in Holy Communion, what is Jesus wanting us to remember? What is running through your heart and mind during Communion?
- As you consider the countless believers who've shared in Holy Communion over the ages, what strikes you about this powerful ritual?

6. Jesus tells us He won't share in this meal with us until His Father's Kingdom has come.

- We believe Jesus meets with us in Holy Communion. What does His presence in Communion suggest about the coming Kingdom of God?
- Jesus tells us the Kingdom of God is now with us and in us. How does this speak to the ways we might speak and act in our everyday lives?

7. Jesus and the disciples concluded the Passover observance by singing a hymn and heading to the Mount of Olives.

- As you consider Jesus and His disciples singing together, how does this speak to our congregational singing as we gather for worship?
- Jesus knows He'll be betrayed & arrested at the Mount of Olives, yet He's determined to go. What does this tell us about Jesus' mission?

CLOSING PRAYER

Lord Jesus, thank You for offering Your body & blood for us upon Your cross. Thank You for doing what only You can do to bring us into fellowship with our Heavenly Father. Thank You for loving us and suffering for us, even when we're unaware and unappreciative. Thank You for Your patience as we walk with You. Thank You for Your gift of this Holy Meal to declare all You've done for us. Please help us remember well as we give You our heart.