Jesse Lee United Methodist Church April14, 2022 Holy Thursday

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

*You are invited to stand as you are able and willing.

We gather around the table, hungry for Christ's blessing. He tells us, "Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another."

-John 13:34

Prelude

Seasonal Lenten Music

Greetings

Call to Worship

L: We have traveled far and our souls are dusty.

P: Jesus kneels before us and washes our feet.

L: How are we worthy of such love?

P: Jesus humbles himself as a servant

L: How can this be?

P: Jesus fills us with his love.

L: What can we do?

P: Serve our neighbors with God's love.

*Opening Hymn:

"Jesu, Jesu"

UMH #432

Opening Prayer (In unison)

God of mystery, we gather tonight to remember the story that leads us into new life. As Jesus washed his disciples' feet, may

we learn to serve one another. As we gather at the table, may we be ready for the journey ahead. Remind us, O God, to love one another, even when doing so is difficult, even when we want to lash out in anger, even when we want to ignore those who need us. We are not in charge. We are called to serve, to share you love. Be with us, O God, as we begin the journey that leads us to the cross. Amen.

Prayers of the Christ's Church for Others and Ourselves(Sharing Our Joys and Concerns)

Pastoral Prayer

WE PROCLAIM THE WORD OF GOD

Anthem "King of Tears" Choral Selection Sung by the Choir written by Joseph M. Martin Quoting ABERYSTWYTH by Joseph Parry

Old Testament Reading: Psalm 116:1-4 Scripture: John 13:1-17

Message: "A Servant's Heart" Pastor Fern Blair Hart

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

Prayer of Confession (unison)

In the midst of life's struggles, we cry to you, O God. Lord, save my life. Save me, O God, from my selfish ways. Lord, save my life. Save me from my fears. Lord, save my life. Save me from

my reluctance to forgive. Lord, save my life. Save me from my worries and concerns. Lord, save my life. Save me from my empty promises. Lord, save my life. Save me from all that keeps me from loving others. Lord, save my life. Amen.

Words of Assurance

God hears our cries and supplications. We are precious in God's sight. We are saved by God's abundant love and mercy.

+Exchange of Signs of the Peace of the Risen Christ

Solo Selection "Ah, Holy Jesus/ O Love Divine"

By Lloyd Larson Soloist Joanne Kant

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

(Please find the service in the United Methodist Hymnal p.12-15)

Benediction

Stripping the altar

(Please leave in silence.)

Lections for April 15, 2022: Good Friday

Isaiah 52:1-13-53:12; Psalm 22; Hebrews 10:16-25; John 1-19:42

Jesse Lee United Methodist Church



Our Shepherd: Jesus the Christ

Ministers: All followers of Jesus Christ

Pastor: Fern Blair Hart

Music Director: Joe Swindon

(203)372 8250(Church)

(203) 241 0396 (Pastor)

Email: jesselee.umc@gmail.com