

April 9, 2020 ~ Maundy Thursday Worship

All at home are invited to gather a washbasin and towel along with bread and cup for the observance of foot or hand washing and communion at home. You may pause the service as needed to participate.

WORDS OF WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Come, come, whoever you are,

Wanderer, worshipper, lover of leaving.

Ours is no caravan of despair.

Though we have broken our vows a thousand times,

Come, come again, come!

CALL TO CONFESSION

HYMN OF CONFESSION: "Hymn for a New Church"...KINGSFOLD

Can we still be your people, Lord, in spite of all we've been?

Do you still claim us as your own, although we're steeped in sin?

Our feet stray from the path you've laid while our lips still praise your name;

Do you still reach out your hand to us, or turn away in shame?

The idols we have built still claim our heart, our mind, our soul.

We dare not trust your guiding hand, we cling to our control.

We craft our likenesses of you to mirror our own face,

Forgetting that your image lives in every land and race.

Our poisoned roots can never bear the fruit that you would give.

Uproot the evils we hold dear, that we might grow and live.

You've never given up on us, in spite of all we've been;

Help us to not give up on you, let your new church begin!

HAND OR FOOT WASHING

HOLY COMMUNION

A PRAYER TO KEEP ALIVE

PROCLAIMING AND RESPONDING TO THE WORD

THE TELLING OF THE PASSION OF JESUS CHRIST - Readings alternate the sung response: "Stay With Me".

JESUS CHRIST: PASSION AND DEATH

Stay with Me 204

Stay with me; re - main here with me; watch and
pray. Watch and pray.

This chant from Taizé intended for repeated singing is based on Jesus' request to the disciples in the Garden of Gethsemane (Matthew 26:38 / Mark 14:34), a simple request they did not fulfill. When singing these words we need to hear in them an ongoing call to be alert and faithful.

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STAY WITH ME
Irregular

SCRIPTURE READING: **John 18:1-12**

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SCRIPTURE READING: **John 18:13-27**

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SCRIPTURE READING: **John 18:28-19:16a**

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POETIC RESPONSE: (*inspired by Psalm 22*) | "this is the breaking"

SCRIPTURE READING: **John 19:16b-30**

Thirty-three chimes symbolize Jesus' number of years on earth.

SCRIPTURE READING: **John 19:31-43**

POETIC RESPONSE: **"the night weeps"**

SENDING

FINAL SONG: "WHAT WONDROUS LOVE IS THIS?"

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,
what wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul!

When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down,
when I was sinking down, sinking down,
when I was sinking down
beneath God's righteous frown,
Christ laid aside his crown for my soul, for my soul,
Christ laid aside his crown for my soul!

To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing,
to God and to the Lamb, I will sing;
to God and to the Lamb who is the great I am,
while millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing;
while millions join the theme, I will sing!

And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on;
and when from death I'm free, I'll sing on;
and when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joyful be,
and through eternity, I'll sing on, I'll sing on;
and through eternity I'll sing on.

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