

**TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
HARRISONBURG, VIRGINIA**

March, 28 2024 ~ Maundy Thursday

GATHERED BY GOD IN WONDER

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

*Members of the congregation bring forward a towel,
a bowl of water, a loaf of bread, and a cup of wine.*

*HYMN: NO. 202 "An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare" v.1-2

ADMITTING THE BROKENNESS OF LIFE

CALL TO CONFESSION

CONFESSION

**Jesus, we watch in awe, in horror.
You sit down with your friends to dinner
to eat with those who give you up.
They will seek payment for your death.
They will deny knowing your gentle voice.
They will turn away when the hardest part comes.
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Knowing this, you bend to them.

Wash them. Serve them. Feed them.

Saying, "Take, eat, this is my body,

Saying, "Take, drink, this is my blood,
shed for you.

To be given for them? For us?

**God, this is a new thing,
this kind of self-giving
that offers what we need
before we know we need it,
before we are able to understand
or receive.**

And then it happens. You give in.

Deceit and greed and lies win the day.

You are silent as those you love
hand you over to willful violence,
eager to hide from you,
the light shining on us
so faithfully.

SILENT REFLECTION

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

*HYMN OF RESPONSE: NO. 215 "What Wondrous Love is This" v. 2

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

ENCOUNTERING THE WORD IN OUR MIDST

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS: John 13:1-17 ; 31b-35 & Mark 14:22-42

HOMILY

*HYMN : NO. 202 "An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare" v.3

BLESSING THE WATER FOR WASHING

FOOT WASHING

For those gathered in the sanctuary, we have two stations for foot washing. On the piano side, you can come to have your feet washed and to wash the feet of another. If for mobility or other reasons you prefer not to wash someone's feet, you're welcome to come to the other chair, where Stephanie will be ready to wash anyone's feet. You may also come forward to light a candle.

SCRIPTURE: Psalm 116:12-19

SPECIAL MUSIC: "All Belong Here (The Many)"

COMMUNION:

We will receive communion by intinction, but rather than having those here come forward to receive it, we will bring the communion to serve you in your seats, as Jesus served his disciples. Those worshiping at home are invited to have bread and cup ready to share in the sacrament.

*CLOSING HYMN: NO. 220 "Go to Dark Gethsemane" v.1-3

LEAVE IN SILENCE

Worship Leadership

Stephanie Sorge, Pastor
Mark Dewey & Mary Lou McMillin, Liturgists
Bryce Hayes, Pianist
Bob Schminkey, House Steward

*We welcome all who are visiting with us today
and encourage you to sign the guest book or to fill out the blue "Welcome
to Trinity" slip.*

Trinity Announcements

Good Friday Cross Walk Downtown: We encourage participation in the ecumenical Good Friday Cross Walk downtown, which will start from Blessed Sacrament at **noon tomorrow, Good Friday**. We will not be hosting an evening Good Friday service at the church, but Centering Space has guided labyrinth meditations available specifically for Maundy Thursday and Good Friday.

Gaza Walk: We invite you to join a great gathering of Lenten Pilgrims for peace in Gaza and help raise funds for relief aid. Here in Harrisonburg on **March 30**, Trinity members are especially encouraged to walk stage 2 **starting at 9am** at Court Square. For more information on all stages please see our email.

Gathering to Remember: Join us this **Saturday March 30th**. Trinity will be open from 2-4pm with space to gather, to remember, to grieve, to support each other, and to dream of new avenues for care and connection for the LGBTQIA+ community and allies.

Easter Sunday: Join us on Easter Sunday for **worship at 10am**, followed by an Easter Egg hunt on the lawn and a potluck Easter Brunch. Lamb will be provided; sides and desserts are welcome. All are welcome to join!