



MAUNDY THURSDAY

March 29, 2018



PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

*As you enter the Sanctuary, please prepare your heart for worship
and silence your mobile devices.*

On Maundy Thursday, the Church remembers the last evening Jesus shared with His disciples before His arrest and crucifixion. It marks three key events during that time: His washing of the disciples' feet, His institution of the Lord's Supper, and His new Commandment to love one another.

As Jesus commands us to love another, let us always remember the amazing love He shows us, which He profoundly demonstrated that evening with His disciples. Jesus, the High King of Heaven, counts us not merely as His servants, but also as His friends. He showed us this by taking on the form of a servant to wash His disciples' feet. In the Passover meal He shared with His friends, celebrating God's great act of deliverance in the Exodus account, Jesus assumed the role of the Pascal lamb, declaring that it is through His sacrifice that man is truly delivered. Though He knew the horrors of what that would mean for Him, Jesus willingly submitted to the Father's will by going to the cross for our sakes. This is made clear when later in the evening in the Garden of Gethsemane, Jesus said "Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me. Nevertheless, not my will, but yours, be done" (Luke 22:42).

Let us then, as we feast on the Word of God and at the Table of God, praise God for the amazing love He gives us, which is perfectly manifested in the willing sacrifice of His Son.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

ORGAN PRELUDE:

"In Tears of Grief We Sit Down" from *St. Matthew Passion* J. S. Bach
Samuel Metzger, organ

CHORAL MEDITATION: "This Is the Night, Dear Friends" C. Hubert Parry

This is the night, dear friends, the night for weeping,
When pow'rs of darkness overcome the day,
The night the faithful mourn the weight of evil
Whereby our sins the Son of Man betray.

This night the traitor, wolf within the sheepfold,
Betrays himself into His victim's will;
The Lamb of God for sacrifice preparing,
Sin brings about the cure for sin's own ill.

This night Christ institutes His holy supper,
Blest food and drink for heart and soul and mind;
This night injustice joins its hands to treason's,
And buys for death the ransom of mankind.

This night the Lord by slaves shall be arrested,
He who destroys our slavery to sin;
Accused of crime, to criminals be given,
That judgment on the righteous judge begin.

O make us sharers, Savior, of Your passion,
That we may share Your glory that shall be;
Let us pass through these three dark nights of sorrow
To Easter's laughter and its liberty.

*The Chancel Choir
Emily Taylor, director*

CALL TO WORSHIP George W. Robertson

◆HYMN OF WONDER: No. 252 "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"HAMBURG

◆INVOCATION (*Please lift hands*)

And he came out and went, as was his custom,
to the Mount of Olives, and the disciples followed him.

**And when he came to the place, he said to them,
“Pray that you may not enter into temptation.”**

And he withdrew from them about a stone’s throw,
and knelt down and prayed, saying,

**“Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me.
Nevertheless, not my will, but yours, be done.”**

And there appeared to him an angel from heaven, strengthening him.

**And being in agony he prayed more earnestly;
and his sweat became like great drops of blood
falling down to the ground.**

And when he rose from prayer,
he came to the disciples and found them sleeping for sorrow,

**and he said to them, “Why are you sleeping?
Rise and pray that you may not enter into temptation.”**

**Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

✦GREETINGS

RECEPTION OF NEW YOUTH MEMBERS

Daniel Boatright*, Jane Clare Braswell, Mary Olivia Brundick, Collin Craft,
Evans Culpepper, Carrington Davis, McRae Dickinson, Hayden Goode,
Janie Martin, Mallory McQuillen, Alex McVean, Kristin Nunn, Amelia Quinlen,
Caroline Robertson, Fred Schaeffer, Witt Smith, Margaret Statom, Coley Stout,
Eve West, Katie Wiener, Lily Williams, Russell Williamson

**to be baptized*

MEMBERSHIP VOWS

Do you acknowledge yourselves to be sinners in the sight of God and without hope
for your salvation except in His sovereign mercy?

Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God and Savior of sinners,
and do you receive and depend upon Him alone for your salvation as He is offered
in the Gospel?

Do you now promise and resolve, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy
Spirit, that you will endeavor to live as becomes the followers of Christ?

Do you promise to serve Christ in His church by supporting and participating with this
congregation in its service of God and its ministry to others to the best of your ability?

Do you submit yourselves to the government and discipline of the Evangelical
Presbyterian Church and to the spiritual oversight of this church session, and
do you promise to promote the unity, purity, and peace of the Church?

CHORAL MEDITATION: “And Can It Be” Dan Forrest

And can it be? And can it be? Amazing love, how can it be?
And can it be that I should gain an interest in the Savior’s blood?
Died He for me who caused His pain? For me who Him to death pursued?
Amazing love! How can it be that Thou my God, shouldst die for me?

He left His Father’s throne above, so free, so infinite His grace;
Emptied Himself of all but love, and bled for Adam’s helpless race;
Tis mercy all, immense and free; for, O my God, it found out me.
And can it be? Amazing love, how can it be?

No condemnation now I dread, Jesus and all in Him is mine!
 Alive in Him, my living Head, and clothed in righteousness divine,
 Bold I approach th'eternal throne, and claim the crown through Christ my own.
 Amazing love, how can it be that Thou, my God shouldst die for me?
 Amazing love!

PSALTER LESSON Psalm 22:14-18
(page 458 in pew Bible)

All flesh is grass, and all its beauty is like the flower of the field;

**The grass withers, the flower fades,
 but the Word of our God will stand forever. Amen.** *(Isaiah 40:6b, 8)*

HOMILY

I Am Poured Out

Dan G. Burns

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE


All those who have publicly professed their faith and joined a Christian church as a communing member are warmly welcomed to receive communion today. Non-communing worshippers are encouraged to contemplate the love of Jesus Christ during this time. At Second Presbyterian, we encourage our children not to take communion until they have joined the church as communicant members. Please note, all wafers are gluten free.

HYMN OF THE TABLE: "To See the King of Heaven Fall" . . Keith Getty, Stuart Townend
stanza 1: Christy Young, soloist; stanza 2: Chancel Choir; stanza 3: Congregation

1. To see the King of heav-en fall in an-guish to his knees;
 2. To know each friend will fall a-way, and heav-en's voice be still,
 3. What took him to this wretch-ed place? What kept him on this road?

the Light and Hope of all the world now o-ver-whelmed with grief.
 for hell to have its venge-ful day up-on Gol-go - tha's hill.
 His love for A - dam's cur - sed race, for ev-'ry bro - ken soul.

What name-less hor - rors must he see, to cry out in the
 No words de - scribe the Sav - ior's plight — to be by God for -
 No sin too slight to o - ver - look, no crime too great to



gar - den: "Oh, take this cup a - way from me, yet
sak - en till wrath and love are sat - is - fied, and
car - ry, all min - gled in this poi - soned cup, and

not my will but yours; yet not my will but yours."
ev - 'ry sin is paid, and ev - 'ry sin is paid.
yet he drank it all; the Sav - ior drank it all.

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Great and loving Father,
as we remember Christ's suffering in Gethsemane,
our hearts are filled with shame
that we foolishly, like the early disciples,
have abandoned You for worldly comforts.
Pardon us for not keeping watch with You in temptation's hour.
Instead of desiring Your will,
we have been absorbed with our own.
Forgive us for betraying You
by loving other things more than You.
Left to ourselves, we would run away in shame.
Yet Your Son gladly stoops again to serve us
by washing us with the waters of His blood.
Cleanse us thoroughly, we pray,
in the blessed name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON. II Corinthians 5:21

*For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin,
so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.*

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.
Thy Kingdom come.
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:
For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

For those unable to come forward for communion, please raise your hand and an elder will serve you in your seat. During this time of communion, we invite you to join in singing the hymns printed below.

“There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood” FOUNTAIN

**There is a fountain filled with blood, drawn from Immanuel’s veins;
And sinners, plunged beneath that flood, lose all their guilty stains:
Lose all their guilty stains, lose all their guilty stains;
And sinners, plunged beneath that flood, lose all their guilty stains.**

**The dying thief rejoiced to see that fountain in his day;
And there have I, as vile as he, washed all my sins away:
Washed all my sins away, washed all my sins away;
And there have I, as vile as he, washed all my sins away.**

**E’er since by faith I saw the stream your flowing wounds supply,
Redeeming love has been my theme, and shall be till I die:
And shall be till I die, and shall be till I die;
Redeeming love has been my theme, and shall be till I die.**

**Dear dying Lamb, Your precious blood shall never lose its pow’r,
Till all the ransomed church of God be saved to sin no more:
Be saved to sin no more, be saved to sin no more;
Till all the ransomed church of God be saved to sin no more.**

“Behold the Lamb”. Keith and Kristyn Getty, Stuart Townend

**Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away, slain for us — and we remember
The promise made that all who come in faith find forgiveness at the cross.
So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of peace around the table of the King.**

**The body of our Savior Jesus Christ, torn for you — eat and remember
The wounds that heal, the death that brings us life paid the price to make us one.
So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of love around the table of the King.**

**The blood that cleanses every stain of sin, shed for you — drink and remember
He drained death’s cup that all may enter in to receive the life of God.
So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of grace around the table of the King.**

**And so with thankfulness and faith we rise to respond — and to remember
Our call to follow in the steps of Christ as His body here on earth.
As we share in His suffering we proclaim Christ will come again!
And we’ll join in the feast of heaven around the table of the King.**

“Jesus, What a Friend for Sinners!” HYFRYDOL

**Jesus! what a friend for sinners! Jesus! lover of my soul;
Friends may fail me, foes assail me, He, my Savior, makes me whole.**

*Hallelujah! what a Savior! Hallelujah! what a friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving, He is with me to the end.*

**Jesus! what a strength in weakness! Let me hide myself in Him;
Tempted, tried, and sometimes failing, He, my strength, my vict’ry wins.**

**Jesus! I do now receive Him, more than all in Him I find,
He hath granted me forgiveness, I am His, and He is mine.**

“Jesus Paid It All”. ALL TO CHRIST

**I hear the Savior say, “Your strength indeed is small;
Child of weakness, watch and pray, find in Me your all in all.”**

*Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe;
Sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow.*

**Lord, now indeed I find Your power, and yours alone,
Can change the leper’s spots, and melt the heart of stone.**

**For nothing good have I whereby Your grace to claim—
I’ll wash my garments white in the blood of Calv’ry’s Lamb.**

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE ALL TO CHRIST

**And when, before the throne, I stand in Him complete,
"Jesus died my soul to save," my lips shall still repeat.
Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe;
Sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow.**

✦ BENEDICTION *(Please lift hands)*

✦ CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

ORGAN POSTLUDE: "Jesu, Enduring Suffering and Death" Max Reger

✦ *Indicates congregation standing*

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NEW YOUTH MEMBERS



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