

**Maundy Thursday Service**  
**April 14, 2022**

**Welcome**

**Opening Song ~      “Lead Me, Lord”                      (#593, blue)**

*Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy righteousness  
Make thy way plain before my face  
For it is thou, Lord, thou, Lord, only  
That makest me dwell in safety.*

Words ~ Based on Psalm 5:8; 4:8 Music by Samuel S. Wesley, 1861

**First Reading ~      Luke 21:34-38                      Cheryl Hess**

34 “Be careful that you never allow your hearts to grow cold.  
Be careful that you are not caught off guard,  
or your hearts will be weighed down  
with carousing, drunkenness, and the worries of this life,  
and that day will come upon you suddenly like a trap.  
Don’t let me come and find you drunk or living carelessly  
like everyone else.

35 For that day will come as a shocking surprise to all.

36 Keep a constant watch over your soul,  
and pray for the courage and grace  
to prevail over these things that are destined to occur  
and that you will stand before the presence of the Son of Man  
with a clear conscience.”

37 Each day, Jesus taught in the temple  
and spent his nights on the Mount of Olives.

38 And all the people came early to the temple courts  
to listen to the words he taught.

**Second Reading ~      Luke 22:1-6                      Paul Bauers**

1-2 As the celebration of the Passover Lamb was approaching,  
the Jewish religious leaders and scholars of the law  
continually schemed to find a way to murder Jesus  
without starting a riot—for they feared the crowds.

3 At that time Satan himself entered into Judas the locksmith,  
who was one of the twelve apostles.

4 He secretly went to the religious hierarchy  
and the captains of the temple guards  
to discuss with them how he could betray Jesus  
and turn him over to their hands.

5 The religious hierarchy was elated over Judas’ treachery,  
and they agreed to give him a sum of money  
in exchange for Jesus’ betrayal.

6 Judas vowed that he would find them a suitable opportunity  
to betray Jesus when he was away from the crowds.

**Song ~                      “I Would Be True”      (#608, blue)**

*I would be true, for there are those who trust me  
I would be pure, for there are those who care  
I would be strong, for there is much to suffer  
I would be brave, for there is much to dare  
I would be brave, for there is much to dare  
I would be friend of all ~ the foe, the friendless  
I would be giving, and forget the gift  
I would be humble, for I know my weakness  
I would look up, and laugh, and love, and lift  
I would look up, and laugh, and love, and lift*

Words ~ Howard Arnold Walter, 1906, Music ~ Joseph Yates peek, 1909

**Third Reading ~ Luke 22:7-13 Michaelanne Sylvester**

7-8 On the day the Passover lambs were to be sacrificed,  
Jesus sent for Peter and John and instructed them,  
“Go and prepare the Passover supper so we can eat it together.”  
9 They asked him,  
“Where do we make the preparations to eat the meal?”  
10 Jesus gave them this sign:  
“When you enter the city, you will find a man carrying a jug of water.  
Follow him home 11 and say to the owner of the house,  
‘The Teacher told us to ask you,  
“Where is the room I may use  
to have the Passover meal with my disciples?” ’  
12 He will then take you to a large, fully furnished upstairs room.  
Make the preparations for us there.”  
13 They went and found everything to be exactly like Jesus  
had prophesied, and they prepared the Passover meal.

**Song ~ “An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare” (#385, blue)**

*An upper room did our Lord prepare  
For those He loved until the end  
And His disciple still gather there  
To celebrate their risen friend  
A lasting gift Jesus gave His own  
To share His bread His loving cup  
Whatever burdens may bow us down  
He by His cross shall lift us up  
And after supper He washed their feet  
For service too is sacrament  
In Him our joy shall be made complete  
Sent out to serve as He was sent  
No end there is we depart in peace  
He loves beyond our uttermost  
In every room in our Father's house  
He will be there as Lord and host*

**Fourth Reading ~ Luke 22:14-23 Dottie Sundquist**

14 When Jesus arrived at the upper room,  
he took his place at the table along with all the apostles.  
15 Then he told them, “I have longed with passion and desire  
to eat this Passover lamb with you before I endure my sufferings.  
16 I promise you that the next time we eat this,  
we will be together in the feast of God’s kingdom.”  
17 Then he raised a cup and gave thanks to God and said to them,  
“Take this and pass it on to one another and drink.  
18 I promise you that the next time we drink this wine,  
we will be together in the feast of God’s kingdom.”  
19 Then he lifted up a loaf,  
and after praying a prayer of thanksgiving to God,  
he gave each of his apostles a piece of bread, saying,  
“This loaf is my body, which is now being offered to you.  
Always eat it to remember me.”  
20 After supper was over, he lifted the cup again and said,  
“This cup is my blood of the new covenant I make with you,  
and it will be poured out soon for all of you.  
21 But I want you to know that the hands of the one who delivers me  
to be the sacrifice are with mine on the table this very moment.  
22 The Son of Man must now go where he will be sacrificed.  
But there will be great and unending doom  
for the man who betrays me.”  
23 The apostles questioned among themselves  
which one of them was about to do this.



**Choir Song ~ “Behold the Lamb” (Communion Hymn)**

*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,  
around the table of the King.*



**Communion** ~ Everyone is welcome to partake of the bread and juice  
in remembrance of Christ’s Last Supper

**Fifth Reading ~ Luke 22:24-30 Cara Davenport**

24 The disciples bickered over which one of them would be  
considered the greatest in the kingdom.  
25 Jesus interrupted their argument, saying,  
“The kings and men of authority in this world  
rule oppressively over their subjects,  
claiming that they do it for the good of the people.  
They are obsessed with how others see them.  
26 But this is not your calling. You will lead by a different model.  
The greatest one among you  
will live as one called to serve others without honor.  
The greatest honor and authority  
is reserved for the one who has a servant heart.  
27 The leaders who are served are the most important in your eyes,  
but in the kingdom, it is the servants who lead.  
Am I not here with you as one who serves?  
28 “Because you have stood with me  
through all my trials and ordeals,  
29 I am promising you the kingdom that the Father has promised me.  
30 We will celebrate in this kingdom  
and you will feast with me at my table.  
And each of you will be given a throne, twelve thrones in all,  
and you will be made rulers on thrones to judge the tribes of Israel.”

**Song ~ “Sister, Let Me Be Your Servant” (#490, blue)**

*Sister, let me be your servant, brother, let me walk with you  
Pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant too  
We are pilgrims on a journey, fellow travelers on the road  
We are here to help each other walk the mile and bear the load  
I will weep when you are weeping, when you laugh, I’ll laugh with you  
I will share your joy and sorrow till we’ve seen this journey through  
When we sing to God in heaven, we shall find such harmony  
Born of all we’ve know together of great love and agony  
Brother, let me be your servant, sister, let me walk with you  
Pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant too.*

Words and Music ~ Richard Gillard, 1977

**Sixth Reading ~ Luke 22:31-38 John Hess**

31 “Peter, my dear friend, listen to what I’m about to tell you.

Satan has obtained permission to come  
and sift you all like wheat and test your faith.

32 But I have prayed for you, Peter,  
that you would stay faithful to me no matter what comes.

Remember this:

after you have turned back to me and have been restored,  
make it your life mission to strengthen the faith of your brothers.”

33 “But Lord,” Peter replied,  
“I am ready to stand with you to the very end,  
even if it means prison or death!”

34 Jesus looked at him and prophesied,  
“Before the rooster crows in the morning,  
you will deny three times that you even know me.”

35 Then he said to all of them,  
“When I sent you out empty-handed, did you lack anything?”  
Not a thing,” they answered. “God provided all we needed.”  
Jesus said, “But now I say to you: Take what you need.

36 If you have money, take it —and a knapsack and a sword.  
Danger is imminent.

37 For the prophetic Scripture about me  
‘He will be accused of being a criminal’ will now come to pass.  
All that was prophesied of me will be fulfilled.”

38 The disciples told him, “Lord, we already have two swords!”  
“You still don’t understand,” Jesus responded.

**Closing Song ~ “Shalom Chaverim” (#438, blue)**

*Shalom chaverim, shalom chaverim, Shalom, shalom*

*Le-hit-ra-ot, le-hit-ra-ot, shalom, shalom*

*Farewell, dear friends, stay safe, dear friends, have peace, have peace*

*We’ll see you again, we’ll see you again, have peace, have peace*

Words ~ Traditional Hebrew Blessing, Music ~ Israeli melody

**Benediction ~ Psalm 121:8**

May the Lord watch over your coming and going  
both now and forevermore.