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Maundy Thursday

April 14, 2022



THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO PARTICIPATED IN TODAY'S SERVICE:

Guest Preacher
Rev. Carol Teare

Worship Leader
Craig Mahood

Choir Director
Luke Overton

Organist
Hudson Lourenço

Welcome and Call to Worship

Craig Mahood

Leader: This is a night to remember.

People: We remember the Passover Jesus shared with His disciples.

Leader: We remember His new covenant of broken bread and cup.

People: We remember His night alone in the garden in prayer.

Leader: We remember His arrest and trial.

People: We remember His suffering and the denial of His friend.

Leader: We remember His sinless hands which were spread wide in blessing and then nailed high on a cross to cancel our sins.

People: We remember this night and thank God for Jesus' presence with us.

***Hymn**

Were You There?

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Unison Prayer of Confession

Most merciful God, we your church confess that often our spirit has not been that of Christ. Where we have failed to love one another as he loves us, where we have pledged loyalty to him with our lips and then betrayed, deserted, or denied him. Forgive us, we pray and make us in every time of trial; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom we make our confession now...

(Keep silence for personal reflection)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Craig Mahood

Leader: Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ. But Christ suffered and died for us, was raised from the dead and ascended on high for us, and continues to intercede for us. Believe the good news; in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

All: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God. Amen

Gospel Reading

John 13

Rev. Carol Teare

On the evening of Passover Jesus met with his disciples in the city. During the meal he got up from the table, took off his outer robe, tied a towel around himself and poured water into a basin.

He began to wash the disciples' feet and to dry them with the towel. When he was finished he returned to the table and said, "Do you know what I have done to you?"

You call me Master and Teacher, and you are right for that is what I am. So if I your Master and Teacher have washed your feet you also should wash one another's feet.

I have set you an example that you should do as I have done to you. I give you a new commandment, that you should love one another. As I have loved you so love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my followers.

After the meal Jesus withdrew with his disciples to a garden. But Judas, who was to betray him, also knew the garden for it was a place where Jesus often met with his disciples (Translation: J. Philip Newel)

Choral Anthem

Ave Verum Corpus
Chancel Choir

by Edward Elgar

Hail, true Body, born of the Virgin Mary,
having truly suffered, sacrificed on the cross for mankind,
from whose pierced side water and blood flowed:
Be for us a foretaste [of the Heavenly banquet] in the trial of death!
O sweet Jesus, O holy Jesus, O Jesus, son of Mary, have mercy on me.

Message

Love School

Rev. Carol Teare

Prayer at the Table

Remembering the Last Supper- (I Corinthians 11:23-26)

The Lord Jesus on the night that he was betrayed took a loaf of bread and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body that is broken for you. Do this is remembrance of me."

In the same way he took the cup also...saying "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me. For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes."

The 7 Last Words of Christ

"Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do."

"Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise."

"Woman, behold your son!...behold, your mother!"

"My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?"

"I thirst."

"It is finished"

"Father, into Thy hands I commit my spirit!"

Congregational Hymn

O Sacred Head Now Wounded

#226 (Black)

***Benediction**

Rev. Carol Teare

Let us walk the way of sorrows to the cross, journeying on toward the joy that is yet to come in the resurrection.

Organ Meditation

Hudson Lourenço

(You may remain in the sanctuary for silent prayer and reflection or leave quietly).

Were You There

Chords: Eb Bb Cm Bb13 Bb7 Eb

1 Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? Were you
 2 Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? Were you
 3 Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? Were you

Chords: Gm Bb7 Eb Bb Cm Bb Eb G Bb Eb Bb7 Eb G F G Ab Gm Bb Eb7 Bb Ab G

there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?
 there when they nailed him to the tree? Oh!
 there when they laid him in the tomb?

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Chords: Ab Eb G/B Cm Fm Ab Eb G Ab Bb

Some-times it caus - es me to trem - ble, trem - ble, trem - ble.

Chords: Ab C Ab Eb Bb Cm Eb Bb7 Cm Gm Bb7 Eb

Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?
 Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
 Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?



Holy Week Schedule

April 14--Maundy Thursday Service, 7:00 pm Communion and Tenebrae Service

There will be a simple soup supper in the basement of bread and soup at 6:15 before the service. Please gather together as we remember the last meal Jesus had in community with his disciples.

April 15--Good Friday Service, noon, sanctuary; a simple service of readings, prayer, & song.

The Youth Group will be having a build-your-own pizza party at 5:00pm! Come for food, fun, & fellowship! Check out <https://firstcongucc.org/youth> to stay updated (on *ALL* events)!

April 17— Children's Easter Egg Hunt, 9:30 a.m.

Easter Sunday Service, 10:30 a.m.