

MAUNDY THURSDAY

♪ Organ Prelude · Bobbi Hunter

Let Us Break Bread Together ... Dale Wood

Welcome

Candle Lighting

Leader: In the beginning, darkness covered the face of the deep. Then God said,

People: "Let there be light."

Leader: And there was light. And every day since, the light has come and gone.

People: The sun has risen and set.

Leader: The moon has waxed and waned.

People: The light is still with us.

Leader: In the beginning was the Word, which brought all things into being. What has come into being through him is life,

People: the light of all people.

Leader: The light shined in the darkness.

People: and the darkness did not overtake it.

Leader: When God made the light, when the light of all people came into the world, God did not send away the dark.

People: The darkness remains.

Leader: God created the night for dreams and clarity,

People: an exhaling of the light.

Leader: Let us enter this holy darkness to bear witness to the light of the world who was extinguished by violence.

People: Let us worship our Incarnate God.

* ♪ Opening Hymn · God of Our Life

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Scripture Readings

Exodus 12:1–4, 11–14 (pg. 104) · Faye Wilson

John 13:31–38 (pg. 1674) · Rev. Renée Rico

Reflection

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Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation

Leader: The story of this meal is as old as the freeing of slaves in Egypt, and of a last meal with Jesus and his followers. The practice of this meal goes back over two thousand years, and yet it occurs fresh each time it is shared.

People: **In sharing this bread and this cup, we are called into God's presence, to witness how much it cost God, and find strength to walk our faith journey.**

Prayer

Words of Institution

Sharing Bread and Cup

You are invited to come forward at the indicated time to take communion. Take one of the pieces of cut bread, then dip a corner into the common cup and eat, then return to your seat. We will come to those who cannot come forward.

Prayer and Lord's Prayer

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TENEBRAE

🎵 Anthem · Chancel Choir

When You Prayed Beneath the Trees... Lloyd Larson
Richard Dinwiddie, director; Sharon Dinwiddie, accompanist

First Reading: Arrest · Tom Plunkett

Matthew 26:47-56

Second Reading: Sentencing · Melissa Seaton

Matthew 27:1-2, 15-27

Third Reading: Crucifixion · Shari Plunkett

Matthew 27:32-44

Fourth Reading: Death · Ben Ball

Matthew 27:45-56

Poem · “To Ask Why”

By the Rev. Sarah Are Speed

Extinguishing the Light

The Congregation leaves in silence.



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