

Thursday April 02, 2026
Maundy Thursday

Gathering Music:

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Above All

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Welcome:

Pastor Philip

Call to Worship:

Jeri Dumholt

Leader: God's beloved in Jesus Christ, we gather in worship, remembering all that God has done for us.

People: Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him.

Leader: Remember the Passover of the Lord, which made time and history new for God's people.

People: Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him.

Leader: Remember Jesus' commandment to live a new way, loving one another as he has loved us.

People: Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him.

Leader: Remember the bread broken and given, the cup of new allegiance with God.

People: Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him.

Leader: God's beloved in Jesus Christ, God has given us everything! Come and worship.

People: We belong to Jesus. We are his own. Amen.

Opening Hymn: "O How He Loves You and Me TFWS #2108

Opening Prayer: Jeri Dumholt

Gracious and faithful God, we love you, for you have heard our voices and answered our cries for mercy. As we gather at this table with Christ, we remember his gift of bread and cup, poured out for the forgiveness of sins. Fill us with gratitude for your saving love, and draw us more deeply into the covenant you have made with us. Strengthen us to keep our vows before you, to walk in the way of your Son, and to love one another as he has loved us. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Old Testament Scripture:

Nancy MacCracken

Exodus 12:1-4, 11-14

The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in Egypt, "This month is to be for you the first month, the first month of your year. Tell the whole community of Israel that on the tenth day of this month each man is to take a lamb for his family, one for each household. If any household is too small for a whole lamb, they must share one with their nearest neighbor, having taken into account the number of people there are. You are to determine the amount of lamb needed in accordance with what each person will eat. ... This is how you are to eat it: with your cloak tucked into your belt, your sandals on your feet and your staff in your hand. Eat it in haste; it is the LORD's Passover. "On that same night I will pass through Egypt and strike down every firstborn of both people and animals, and I will bring judgment on all the gods of Egypt. I am the LORD. The blood will be a sign for you on the houses where you are, and when I see the blood, I will pass over you. No destructive plague will touch you when I strike Egypt. "This is a day you are to commemorate; for the generations to come you shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD—a lasting ordinance.

Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19

I love the LORD, for he heard my voice; he heard my cry for mercy. Because he turned his ear to me, I will call on him as long as I live. ... What shall I return to the LORD for all his goodness to me? I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD. I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people. Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his faithful servants. Truly I am your servant, LORD; I serve you just as my mother did; you have freed me from my chains. I will sacrifice a thank offering to you and call on the name of the LORD. I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people, in the courts of the house of the LORD—in your midst, Jerusalem. Praise the LORD.

Hymn

"Come to the Table"

TFWS #2264

Gospel Reading: Mark 14:12-26

Anita Thompson

On the first day of the Festival of Unleavened Bread, when it was customary to sacrifice the Passover lamb, Jesus' disciples asked him, "Where do you want us to go and make preparations for you to eat the Passover?" So he sent two of his disciples, telling them, "Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. Follow him. Say to the owner of the house he enters, 'The Teacher asks: Where is my guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?' He will show you a large room upstairs, furnished and ready. Make preparations for us there." The disciples left, went into the city and found things just as Jesus had told them. So they prepared the Passover. When evening came, Jesus arrived with the Twelve. While they were reclining at the table eating, he said, "Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me—one who is eating with me." They were saddened, and one by one they said to him, "Surely you don't mean me?" "It is one of the Twelve," he replied, "one who Gospel Readingwritten about him. But woe to that man who betrays the Son of Man! It would be better for him if he had not been born." While they were eating, Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take it; this is my body." Then he took a cup, and when he had given thanks, he

gave it to them, and they all drank from it. "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many," he said to them. "Truly I tell you, I will not drink again from the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God." When they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

Homily: "Eat and Run" Pastor Philip

Holy Communion: UMH #15 & 16

Invitation to the Table

Music during Communion: Michael Snyder

Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread

Garrett Parker, based on St. Flavian

Ah, Holy Jesus, How Has Thou Offended

Garrett Parker based on Herzliebster Jesu by Johann Crueger

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The Lord's Prayer

Stripping of the Church

Going Forth / Dismissal : Pastor Philip

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