



**THE WORSHIP OF GOD**  
**Fayetteville First UMC**  
**Maundy Thursday**  
**April 14, 2022**  
**7:00 PM**

**GREETING**

The Rev. Dr. Thomas Martin  
Senior Minister

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

*Psalm 116*

Dr. Martin and **People**

I love the Lord, because he has heard my voice and my supplications.

For all God's bounty, what shall I return?

**I will lift the cup of salvation.**

**I will offer thanksgiving.**

I will pay my vows to God.

**For God has heard my voice and my prayers.**

Gracious is God, and righteous!

**Praise God!**

**\*HYMN 453**

*More Love to Thee, O Christ*

MORE LOVE TO THEE

**\*INVITATION, CONFESSION AND PARDON**

Dr. Martin and **People**

Christ our Lord has prepared a feast of love and has shown his love by becoming a humble servant.

Let us draw near to God and confess our sin in the truth of God's Spirit.

*A brief silence for individual confession*

Renewing God, Trusting in your infinite grace,

**We confess that we need your healing, your forgiveness, and your renewal.**

For all that is broken in our minds and bodies,

**We ask your healing.**

For all that is amiss in our choices and relationships, where we have failed to love one another as Christ loves us,

**We ask your forgiveness.**

Where we have pledged loyalty to Christ with our lips and then betrayed, deserted, or denied him,

**We ask your renewal.**

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For all that works against life and your blessing of love in both our hearts and in the world,  
**We open ourselves to your transforming grace. Heal us, forgive us, and make us new. Amen.**

Believe the good news: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

**In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God. Amen.**

**\*PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Dr. Martin and **People**

*Offer one another signs of reconciliation and love:*

“The peace of Christ be with you.” **“And also with you.”**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

Dr. Martin

**\*HYMN 549**

*Where Charity and Love Prevail*

ST. PETER

**PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION**

Dr. Martin and **People**

**Lord, open our hearts and minds  
by the power of your Holy Spirit,  
that, as the Scriptures are read  
and your Word proclaimed,  
we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.**

**NEW TESTAMENT LESSON**

*1 Corinthians 11:23-26*

Dr. Martin

*<sup>23</sup>For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, <sup>24</sup>and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, “This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.” <sup>25</sup>In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.” <sup>26</sup>For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.*

May God bless the hearing of this scripture.

**Thanks be to God.**

**CHORAL ANTHEM**

*Ex Ore Innocentium*  
John Ireland

Chancel Choir

*It is a thing most wonderful, almost too wonderful to be,  
that God's own Son should come from heav'n, and die to save a child like me.*

*And yet I know that it is true: He chose a poor and humble lot,  
and wept and toiled and mourned and died for love of those who loved Him not.*

*I cannot tell how He could love a child so weak and full of sin;  
His love must be most wonderful if He could die my love to win.*

*I sometimes think about the cross, and shut my eyes, and try to see  
the cruel nails and crown of thorns, and Jesus crucified for me.*

*Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. <sup>2</sup>The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper <sup>3</sup>Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, <sup>4</sup>got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. <sup>5</sup>Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. <sup>6</sup>He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, 'Lord, are you going to wash my feet?' <sup>7</sup>Jesus answered, 'You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand.' <sup>8</sup>Peter said to him, 'You will never wash my feet.' Jesus answered, 'Unless I wash you, you have no share with me.' <sup>9</sup>Simon Peter said to him, 'Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!' <sup>10</sup>Jesus said to him, 'One who has bathed does not need to wash, except for the feet, but is entirely clean. And you are clean, though not all of you.' <sup>11</sup>For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, 'Not all of you are clean.'*

*<sup>12</sup> After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table, he said to them, 'Do you know what I have done to you?' <sup>13</sup>You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. <sup>14</sup>So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. <sup>15</sup>For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. <sup>16</sup>Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. <sup>17</sup>If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them.*

*<sup>31</sup> When he had gone out, Jesus said, 'Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. <sup>32</sup>If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. <sup>33</sup>Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, "Where I am going, you cannot come." <sup>34</sup>I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. <sup>35</sup>By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.'*

May God bless the hearing of this scripture.

**Thanks be to God.**

**CHORAL ANTHEM**

*God So Loved the World*  
from *The Crucifixion* - John Stainer

Chancel Choir

*God so loved the world.  
God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son,  
that whoso believeth, believeth in Him  
should not perish, should not perish but have everlasting life.  
For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world.  
God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world;  
But that the world through Him might be saved.  
God so loved the world.  
God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son,  
that whoso believeth, believeth in Him  
should not perish, should not perish but have everlasting life.  
God so loved the world.*

**COMMUNION MEDITATION**

The Rev. Allyson Lawrence  
Associate Minister

## SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

### COMMUNION MUSIC

*Pie Jesu*  
from *Requiem* - Gabriel Faure  
"Merciful Jesus, grant us eternal peace."

See insert.

Jenna Livsey, soprano

*Pie Jesu Domine, dona eis requiem, dona eis requiem.*  
*Pie Jesu Domine, dona eis requiem, dona eis requiem.*  
*Dona eis domine, dona eis requiem, sempiternam requiem,*  
*sempiternam requiem, sempiternam requiem.*  
*Pie Jesu, Jesu, pie Jesu Domine, dona eis, dona eis,*  
*sempiternam requiem, sempiternam requiem.*

### \*PRAYER

Rev. Lawrence and **People**

Lord, we have traveled this Lenten journey, overcoming and conquering barriers that have kept us from serving you. We gathered at the gates of joy on Palm Sunday, and this night we have feasted at the your Table. But before we come to the story of the Resurrection we must first pass through the approaching darkness. We witness the arrest and trial of the Innocent Savior. We watch as he is moved brutally from place to place, to be judged by people who have hardened their hearts against you. The sorrow that we feel lies heavy upon us. Lift us, Lord. Comfort us. Help us get through this time of darkness.

The ironic plaque on the cross said it all.  
The King of the Jews:  
The Lord of the Church.  
The King of Kings.  
The Lord of Creation,  
exalted and lifted up.

Come, behold the man of suffering.  
**We have come.**  
Come, look at his appearance.  
**We have come.**  
Come, gather around the cross to see him.  
**We have come.**  
Come, weep as the curtain falls  
over the light of the world.  
**We have come.**  
**We see.**  
**We behold.**  
**We weep.**

### \*STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR & SANCTUARY

*All depart in silence.*

\*Please stand in body or spirit.

Congregational responses are in **bold type**.

# SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Rev. Lawrence

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing,  
always and everywhere to give thanks to you,  
God Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

... And so,  
with your people on earth  
and all the company of heaven  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory,  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.

... And so,  
in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,  
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving  
as a holy and living sacrifice,  
in union with Christ's offering for us,  
as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

... Through your Son Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church,  
all honor and glory is yours, almighty God,  
now and for ever.

**Amen.**

And now, with the confidence of children of God, let us pray:

## 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

## GIVING OF THE BREAD AND THE CUP

*The body of Christ broken for you.*

*The blood of Christ poured out for you. Amen.*