



Worship Bulletin
Maundy Thursday
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THE WORSHIP OF GOD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Rev. Carson Thaxton
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CALL TO WORSHIP

The Rev. Allyson Lawrence and **People**
Associate Minister

On their own, the bread and wine are nothing.
**To become a foretaste and a promise
of love made real and a world made whole,
they need a story and a blessing
and a people who believe.**

It would not have been God's table
if they hadn't all been gathered around it:
**the betrayer and the friend
the power-hungry and the justice seeker
the faithful and the fickle.**

When Jesus poured the wine, and the bread was broken;
when everyone could eat -
the outcast and the beloved
the arrogant and the gracious
the wrong-doer and the wrongly done by -
**the table became a foretaste
of love made real
and of a world made whole.**

Your company at the table
will include the betrayer and the beloved
the wrong-doer and the wrongly done by.
It would not be God's table without them.

And the promise is
that when you are together,
when you tell the story and give the blessing
you will discover a foretaste
of love made real
and of a world made whole.

*What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!
 What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
 What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss
 To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,
 To bear the dreadful curse for my soul.*

*What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!
 What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
 What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of life
 To lay aside his crown, for my soul, for my soul,
 To bear the dreadful curse for my soul.*

*To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing;
 To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing;
 To God and to the Lamb who is the great "I AM,"
 While millions join the theme I will sing, I will sing,
 While millions join the theme, I will sing.*

*And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on;
 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on.
 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joyful be,
 And through eternity, I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
 And through eternity, I'll sing on.*

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

Rev. Lawrence and People

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy *catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen. **universal UMH 881*

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Dr. Thomas Martin
Senior Minister

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.

*SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 22:24-30

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²⁴A dispute also arose among them as to which one of them was to be regarded as the greatest. ²⁵But he said to them, "The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those in authority over them are called benefactors. ²⁶But not so with you; rather the greatest among you must become like the youngest, and the leader like one who serves. ²⁷For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one at the table? But I am among you as one who serves. ²⁸"You are those who have stood by me in my

trials; ²⁹and I confer on you, just as my Father has conferred on me, a kingdom, ³⁰so that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and you will sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

May God bless the hearing of this scripture.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Messianic Expectations

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SPECIAL MUSIC

He Breaks the Bread, He Pours the Wine
Brian Lindsey, soloist

Mark Hayes

*He pours the wine, He breaks the bread.
He gives his body just as He said.
And at his table, we come to dine.
He breaks the bread, He pours the wine.*

*He loves His neighbor, He serves His friend.
In meekness cleanses the heart of sin.
And in compassion his mercy flows.
His grace is plenty to heal our woes.
Servant of the lowly, King of earth and sky
born to deliver us, born to love and die!*

***BENEDICTION**

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*Please stand in body or spirit.

Congregational responses are in **bold type**.

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