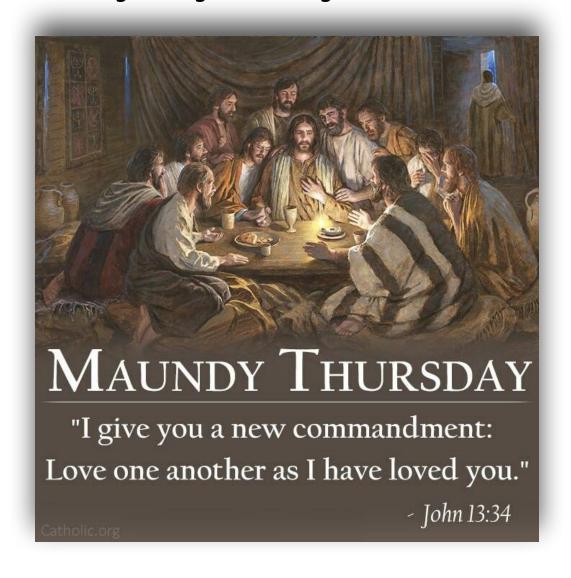
The Holy Way Presbyterian Church



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March 28, 2024 3:00pm Maundy Thursday & Tenebrae Service Welcome: Rev. Tina Salvaneschi

"What is Maundy Thursday and Tenebrae?"

Prayer before Meal: Rev. Tina Salvaneschi

On this holy night, O Lord, we gather to ask your blessing. Thank you for the provision of this food and those who have had a hand in its preparation. May it nourish holy communion with you and one another as we share together at table and remember your love for us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord of all of creation. Amen.

Table Talk: A Conversation at each table during the Meal (Please read quietly, then see questions below)

During supper Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. 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.

He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" 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." For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, "Not all of you are clean."

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? You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another"s feet. For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. . . . I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." [John 13:2b-15, 34-35]

Everyone is invited to share, including children.

- 1. What did you hear in this text that spoke to you? Or which character do you most relate to in this text?
- 2. Many people do a foot washing service on Maundy Thursday. We are not going to do one. How does that make you feel? (i.e. relieved, sad, indifferent, etc.) Why?
- 3. If Jesus were to wash your feet and then ask you to do the same for others, how might your life be different?

Song of Declaration: What Wondrous Love is This (Hymn 215)

Congregation

Table Liturgy: Readings: Voice 1 and Voice 2 Don Kimball & Marilyn Hilliard

The Lords Supper: Rev. Tina Salvaneschi

Responsive Reading Rev. Tina Salvaneschi

The Lord be with you

People: And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto the Lord.

People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Thank you, O Lord, that with the sweep of creation

you have revealed the beauty of your blessing to the whole universe.

Though the ugliness of our sin has marred creation,

killed innocents, and caused slavery,

you make and keep covenant with your people,

leading us from bondage to freedom

and send us prophets to call us back to your ways

of justice and peace for all.

People: May You be praised, O Lord our God,

Ruler of the Universe. You feed the world with goodness,

mercy, and grace.

Blessed are you, O God,

for our beloved brother Jesus

who came to show us the Way, the Truth, and the Life

so that we might share in your blessing

and live in your abundance forever and ever.

When we were hungry, without food, he healed us.

When ignorant, he taught us.

When we were sick, he touched us with healing.

When enslaved to demons, he freed us.

He embodied your Sovereign rule all the way to certain death by Empire, yet he did not back down.

The last time He sat at the table with his disciples, Jesus took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to the disciples and said,

"Take, eat; this is my body."

Take bread from your table and share it with one another
This is "The body of Christ" (We will partake together after all are served)

"Manna from heaven"

Thank you, Lord, that after eating together, you took a cup and gave it to your friends, saying, "Drink from this all of you, this is my blood of the covenant which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins."

"The cup of the covenant in Christ"s blood." (We will drink together when all are served.)

"The cup of salvation"

Send forth your Holy Spirit now, we pray, That, as we read the ancient story, we may hear you speak among all the screams and silences of the cross. Keep us all one, even as you prayed we would all be one, and fill us with the strength to abide with you and minister unto you even in the torturous chaos of a crucifying world.

4 This we ask in Christ, through Christ, with Christ to whom be all honor and glory and dominion now and forevermore.

Amen.

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Readers Don Kimball, Marilyn Hilliard, Bill Boals, Alice Davis

Tenebrae Service of Shadows:

Matthew 26:31-75, 27:1-14

Hymn: There is Room At the Cross For You (Hymn)

Ensemble

Tenebrae Service of Shadows: Readers

Matthew 27:15-37

Music: The Old Rugged Cross Ensemble

Tenebrae Service of Shadows: Readers

Isaiah 53:1-12

Hymn: Beneath The Cross of Jesus (Hymn 216)

Congregation

Tenebrae Service of Shadows: Readers

Matthew 27:45-54

Closing Music: Were You There Ensemble

Service is now Concluded:
Please Leave the Sanctuary in Reflective Silence.

ANNOUNCEMENTS!

- * <u>Easter Morning Service, March 31st, 9:30am. Invite</u> your friends, family and neighbors as we celebrate that He Has Risen! Following service we will have Coffee time along with an <u>Easter egg hunt</u> for the children.
- * Monday, April 1st The office will be closed.
- * Kingdom Seekers Is Here! Our new Sunday school for children lead by Kathy Americano for children ages 4 to 12 plus. Please invite your grand children and their friends to support our new <u>full time</u> ministry.
- * <u>NEW Fellowship Schedule:</u>

1st Sunday: Coffee hour in the Sanctuary 2nd Sunday: Breakfast/Lunch Little Mexico or 3rd Sunday: Coffee hour in the Sanctuary

4th Sunday: Fellowship on your own

5th Sundays: Coffee hour in the Sanctuary

EVERY WEEK!

- * Monday: The Handcraft Group meets at 10:00 am in the Conference Room. All handcrafts (knitting, coloring, etc) welcome! Come make something with your hands and enjoy great fellowship time together.
- * Tuesday: Stay Connected During the Week! <u>"Sermon Debrief Bible Study," 10:00am,</u> in the Conference Room.

Please <u>Pick up A Newsletter in the Lobby</u> for a complete schedule of the life and events at the The Holy Way Church