

Maundy Thursday

April 1, 2021 ♦ 7:00 pm



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MAUNDY THURSDAY

APRIL 1, 2021 — 7 PM LIVESTREAM WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Dr. Edward Alan Moore
Emma Lou Diemer

“O Waly Waly”
(An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare)
“Ubi Caritas et Amor”
(Where charity and love are, God is there.)

Gerald Near

OPENING SENTENCES

The Rev. Dr. Randall K. Bush
The Rev. Heather Schoenewolf

Leader: Jesus said: I give you a new commandment, that you love one another.

People: **Just as Christ has loved us, let us love one another.**

Beloved people of God: This is the day when Christ, our Passover Lamb, surrendered himself to those who would kill him, setting us free from sin and death forever.

This is the day when Christ, our Teacher and Lord, knelt down to wash the disciples’ feet, showing us how to love and serve one another.

This is the day when Christ, the bread of heaven, shared a holy meal with his followers, offering a feast of abundant life and grace for all.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, your love is embodied in Jesus Christ, who washed disciples’ feet and invites us to join him at the communion meal. In this hour and throughout our days, may we follow your Son through every trial, and praise him always as Lord and Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, Mother and Father of us now and forever. Amen.

OPENING HYMN #202 (vs. 1-3) “An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare”

O WALY WALY

An upper room did our Lord prepare for those he loved until the end:

And his disciples still gather there to celebrate their risen friend.

A lasting gift Jesus gave his own: to share his bread, his loving cup.

Whatever burdens may bow us down, he by his cross shall lift us up.

And after supper he washed their feet, for service, too, is sacrament.

In Christ our joy shall be made complete: sent out to serve, as he was sent.

CALL TO CONFESSION

The Rev. Dr. Bush

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

The Rev. Dr. Bush

ASSURANCE OF GOD’S FORGIVENESS

The Rev. Dr. Bush

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel!

People: **En Jesucristo tenemos perdón.**
¡Alaben a Dios!

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.
Praise God!

SUNG RESPONSE HYMN #227

“Jesus, Remember Me”

REMEMBER ME

Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.
Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Psalm 116:12-19

Jan, Frances and Keith Irvin

What shall I return to the Lord for all his bounty to me? I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord, I will pay 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 ones. O Lord, I am your servant; I am your servant, the child of your serving girl. You have loosed my bonds. I will offer to you a thanksgiving sacrifice and call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people, in the courts of the house of the Lord, in your midst, O Jerusalem. Praise the Lord!

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL LESSON

John 13:1-5, 12-17

Jan, Frances and Keith Irvin

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. The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And 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.

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. Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them.

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

PREPARING THE TABLE**— THE LORD'S SUPPER —****INVITATION TO THE TABLE**

The Rev. Schoenewolf

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Rev. Dr. Bush

THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Rev. Dr. Bush

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

The Rev. Dr. Bush
The Rev. Schoenewolf

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**SPECIAL MUSIC**

“In Remembrance of Me”

David Jennings-Smith, *soloist*
Denise Sheffey-Powell, *soloist*
Beryl Red/Ragan Courtney

GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 14:17-21, 27-31

The Rev. Dr. Bush

When it was evening, he came with the twelve. And when they had taken their places and were eating, Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me, one who is eating with me.” They began to be distressed and to say to him one after another, “Surely, not I?” He said to them, “It is one of the twelve, one who is dipping bread into the bowl with me. For the Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that one by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that one not to have been born.”

And Jesus said to them, "You will all become deserters; for it is written, 'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered.'"

But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee." Peter said to him, "Even though all become deserters, I will not." Jesus said to him, "Truly I tell you, this day, this very night, before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times." But he said vehemently, "Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you." And all of them said the same.

SERMON**"I Go Before You"**

The Rev. Dr. Bush

HYMN #215 (*vs. 1-3*)**"What Wondrous Love Is This"****WONDROUS LOVE**

**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!**

**When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down,
When I was sinking down, sinking down,
When I was sinking down beneath God's righteous frown,
Christ laid aside his crown for my soul, for my soul,
Christ laid aside his crown for my soul!**

**To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing,
To God and to the Lamb, 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!**

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 14:32-52

Jan, Frances and Keith Irvin

The Rev. Dr. Bush

The Rev. Schoenewolf

They went to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples, "Sit here while I pray." He took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be distressed and agitated. And he said to them, "I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and keep awake." And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. He said, "Abba, Father, for you all things are possible; remove this cup from me; yet, not what I want, but what you want." He came and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter, "Simon, are you asleep? Could you not keep awake one hour? Keep awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak." And again he went away and prayed, saying the same words. And once more he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were very heavy; and they did not know what to say to him. He came a third time and said to them, "Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? Enough! The hour has come; the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand."

Immediately, while he was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; and with him there was a crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests, the scribes, and the elders. Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, "The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him and lead him away under guard." So when he came, he went up to him at once and said, "Rabbi!" and kissed him. Then they laid hands on him and arrested him. But one of those who stood near drew his sword and struck the slave of the high priest, cutting off his ear. Then Jesus said to them, "Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest me as though I were a bandit? Day after day I was with you in the temple teaching, and you did not arrest me. But let the scriptures be fulfilled." All of them deserted him and fled.

A certain young man was following him, wearing nothing but a linen cloth. They caught hold of him, but he left the linen cloth and ran off naked.

BENEDICTION

The Rev. Dr. Bush

AN UPPER ROOM DID OUR LORD PREPARE (vs. 1-3)

1 An up - per room did our Lord pre - pare for those he
 2 A last - ing gift Je - sus gave his own: to share his
 3 And af - ter sup - per he washed their feet, for ser - vice,
 4 No end there is! We de - part in peace. He loves be -

loved un - til the end: and his dis - ci - ples still
 bread, his lov - ing cup. What - ev - er bur - dens may
 too, is sac - ra - ment. In Christ our joy shall be
 yond our ut - ter - most: in ev - ery room in our

gath - er there to cel - e - brate their ris - en friend.
 bow us down, he by his cross shall lift us up.
 made com - plete: sent out to serve, as he was sent.
 Fa - ther's house Christ will be there, as Lord and Host.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

This text brings together the two New Testament traditions regarding Jesus' final evening with his disciples: the Synoptic account of the Last Supper (Matthew 26:26-29/Mark 14:22-25/Luke 22:14-20) and the Fourth Gospel's report of his washing the disciples' feet (John 13:3-17).

TEXT: Fred Pratt Green, 1973, alt.

MUSIC: English folk melody; harm. John Weaver, 1988

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PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE:

Preaching: The Rev. Dr. Randall K. Bush
 Participants: The Rev. Heather Schoenewolf
 Jan, Frances and Keith Irvin
 Musicians: Dr. Edward Alan Moore
Organist/Music Director
 David Jennings-Smith, *Cantor/Soloist*
 Denise Sheffey-Powell, *Cantor/Soloist*
 A/V: Tim Benedict
 Wayne Gaines, Matt Stufft

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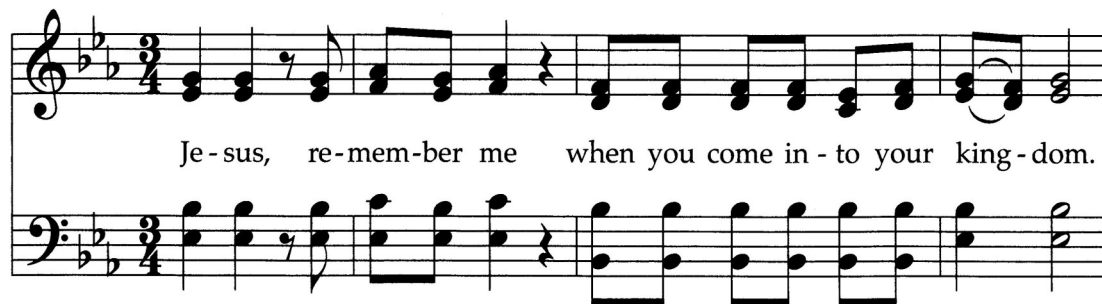
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JESUS, REMEMBER ME



Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your king - dom.

The first system of music is written for a choir in 3/4 time, key of B-flat major. The melody is in the soprano part, and the bass part provides a harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics are: "Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your king - dom."



Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your king - dom.

The second system of music continues the melody and accompaniment from the first system. The lyrics are: "Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your king - dom."

This chant-like setting, intended for repeated singing, comes from the ecumenical monastic community in Taizé, France. Based on the prayer of the penitent thief crucified with Jesus (Luke 23:42), this text is a poignant expression of the desire to be present with Christ in glory.

TEXT: Taizé Community, 1981

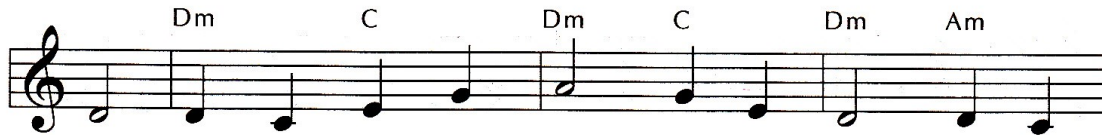
MUSIC: Jacques Berthier, 1981

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REMEMBER ME

Irregular

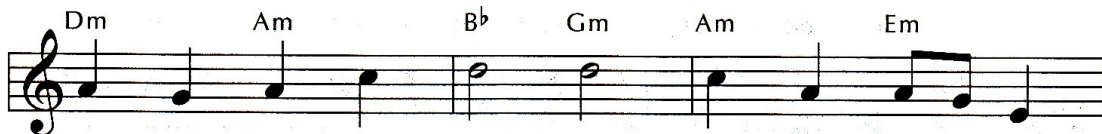
WHAT WONDROUS LOVE IS THIS (vs. 1-3)



1 What won - drous love is this, O my soul, O my
 2 When I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down, sink - ing
 3 To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will
 4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing



soul, what won - drous love is this, O my soul! What
 down, when I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down, when
 sing, to God and to the Lamb, I will sing; to
 on; and when from death I'm free, I'll sing on; and



won - drous love is this that caused the Lord of
 I was sink - ing down be - neath God's righ - teous
 God and to the Lamb who is the great I
 when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joy - ful



bliss to bear the dread - ful curse for my soul, for my
 frown, Christ laid a - side his crown for my soul, for my
 AM, while mil - lions join the theme, I will sing, I will
 be, and through e - ter - ni - ty, I'll sing on, I'll sing



soul, to bear the dread - ful curse for my soul!
 soul, Christ laid a - side his crown for my soul!
 sing; while mil - lions join the theme, I will sing!
 on; and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on.

With its ballad-like repetitions before and after each stanza's central narrative lines, this meditative text needs performance in order to be effective. Its haunting melody proves the means of convincing us that the only adequate response to "wondrous love" is to "sing on."



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GOOD FRIDAY *April 2*

7 pm ▪ **Pastor Patrice Fowler-Searcy**
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MUSIC FOR EASTER VIGIL *April 3*

7:00 pm

*The Easter Proclamation - The Exsultet -
an ancient hymn of triumph and rejoicing*
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EASTER SUNDAY *April 4*

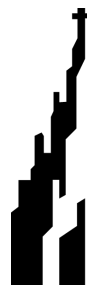
8:45 am ▪ **Pastor Heather Schoenewolf**

an early Easter message

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11 am ▪ **Pastor Randy Bush**

preaching from the Gospel passage John 20:1-18
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