A SERVICE OF WORSHIP FOR MAUNDY THURSDAY

March 28, 2024 • Rev. Hyiwot Teshome, Pastor • 7:00 PM

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE "Love One Another as I Have Loved You"

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CENTERING HYMN "Surely the Presence of the Lord is in This Place"

(Refrain x2) Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place. I can feel God's mighty power and God's grace. I can hear the brush of angel's wings; I see glory on each face. Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

***THE CALL TO WORSHIP**

- Leader: Christ's is the body broken for us
- People: We lift up the bread of salvation
- Leader: Christ's is the blood shed for us
- People: We lift up the cup of salvation
- ALL: We worship the Lord sacrificed on our behalf

***THE PRAYER OF APPROACH**

God Most High, gracious, and glorious, blessed is the one who comes in your name. Lead us now on the road to the cross. May we follow with faithfulness and joy, acknowledging the command you have left us with – to love one another. Amen.

*THE OPENING HYMN #94 "An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare"

***THE CALL TO CONFESSION**

***THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Begin in silence, reading over the Prayer of Confession and preparing to pray it together.

Holy God, you have called us to serve others as Christ has served us. We confess that we have not followed Christ's example as fully as we should. We turn away from people in need. True humility eludes us. You have commanded us to love one another as you have loved us. We confess that we do not love so generously. Gathered on this Holy Thursday, we confess that we have failed to help others as you have helped us. Forgive us, merciful God, and cleanse us of all our sin; then guide our feet to walk with you always.

***THE ASSURANCE OF GRACE**

Leader: Friends, hear and believe the Good News of the Gospel

People: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

***THE RESPONSE**

#599 "Jesus, Remember Me" (*refrain only, 3x*)

Jesus, remember me when You come into Your kingdom.

***THE PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Leader: The Peace of Christ be with you. **People: And also with you.**

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Caroline Goller, Pastor Hyiwot, and Joyce Gerlach

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Exodus 12:1-14

THE EPISTLE LESSON 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

THE GOSPEL LESSON John 13:1-17, 31b-35

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God!

THE HOMILY "Lovegiving Table" Pastor Hyiwot

ACT OF LOVE: Foot-Washing

***HYMN OF FOOT WASHING**

Choir

"Man of Sorrows" Lloyd Larson

Surely He has borne our griefs. Surely He has borne our sorrows. He was wounded for us, bruised and rejected for us. The chastisement of our sin was placed on Him. Surely He has borne our griefs. Surely He has borne our sorrows. He was chosen for us, alone, He stands there for us. The sins of all the world were placed on Him. All we like sheep have gone astray, we've turned to our own way, yet by his stripes we have been healed. Messiah, holy Lamb of God, Redeemer full of love, rejected Man of sorrows. 'Man of Sorrows,' what a name for the Son of God, who came for ruined sinners to reclaim! Hallelujah, what a Savior! Surely He has borne our griefs.

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*THE CLOSING HYMN pg 79 in *The Hymns We Sing* "They Will Know We Are Christians by Our Love"

***THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

THE POSTLUDE "Let Us Ever Glory in the Cross"

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