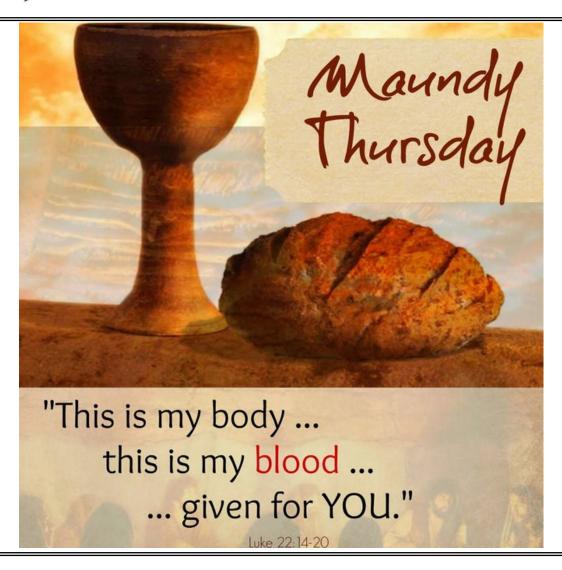


#### **West Grove United Methodist Church**

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April 14, 2022 7:00 p.m.

# WEST GROVE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Maundy Thursday 7:00 p.m.

#### **PRELUDE**

#### GREETING

**CALL TO WORSHIP** (Based on the song, "Come to the Table, by Sidewalk Prophets)

Leader: We all start on the outside, the outside looking in, this is where

grace begins

People: We were hungry, we were thirsty with nothing left to give, oh

the shape we were in!

Leader: Just when all seemed lost, love opened the door for us, He said come

to the table!

People: Come join the sinners who have ben redeemed. Take your place

beside the Savior

Leader: Sit down and be set free! Come to the table! Come join the sinners

who have been redeemed!

People: Take your place beside the Savior, sit down and be set free!

\*HYMN "What Wondrous Love Is This?" UMH No. 292

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

God of grace,

your generosity is legendary and ever faithful to us, and we give thanks.

Help us this night and in these days before Easter, to be truthful with ourselves.

and live in the courage to come to terms with our sins and unfaithfulness.

Empower us to trust in your mercy and creativity, as we understand more fully how much you love us,

to share freely from our hearts,

all the blessings you have entrusted to us.

We seek to live a faith that has at its core your wisdom, and the courage, and persistence in friendship of our Lord, our Savior Jesus Christ.

May we give as he taught and showed us, giving love deep from the heart in ways that really matter. Help us fulfill your command as we bless our community, our nation and world.

May we never be afraid to give of ourselves, and never hide nor deny our lives that are in You. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen. **SCRIPTURE** John 13:1-17, 31b, 34-35

**MEDITATION** "A Command We Are Dying To Fulfill"

**HYMN OF RESPONSE** "Dear Lord And Father Of Mankind" UMH No. 358

Vv. 1,2,4

**JOYS AND CONCERNS** 

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**ANTHEM** "Winds Through The Olives"

Chancel Choir

Words by Joseph M. Martin Music by David Angerman and Joseph M. Martin

#### PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

Pastor Jim

We do not presume to come to this, your table, O merciful Lord. We are not trusting in our own righteousness, but are trusting instead in your multiple, great mercies. On our own, we are not even worthy to gather the crumbs under your table. Yet you are the same Lord, whose nature is always to have mercy. So humbly we ask that you grant therefore, gracious Lord, that as we partake of this sacrament of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, that we may walk in newness of life, empowered by your creativity in the Spirit, and may ever be faithful and fruitful in the ways we seek to grow into his likeness, and may ever more dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

#### COMMUNION FOR HOLY THURSDAY

**FINAL SCRIPTURE NARRATIVE** *Mark* 14:10-11, (22-25) 26-72

**CLOSING HYMN** "Jesus, Keep Me Near The Cross" UMH No. 301

BENEDICTION

#### LEAVE IN SILENCE

We leave in silence, in reverence of the sacrifice Jesus has made for us, thoughtful of the ways we need to be more intentional, assertive about our discipleship, preparing to stand up for Christ from our hearts.

#### Gospel Reading: John 13:1-17, 31b, 34-35

#### Jesus Washes the Disciples' Feet

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. 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. 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.

Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him.

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."

#### **Gospel Reading:** Mark 14:10-11, (22-25), 26-72 (NRSV)

#### Judas Agrees to Betray Jesus

Then Judas Iscariot, who was one of the twelve, went to the chief priests in order to betray him to them. When they heard it, they were greatly pleased, and promised to give him money. So he began to look for an opportunity to betray him.

#### The Institution of the Lord's Supper

While they were eating, he took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to them, and said, "Take; this is my body." Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, and all of them drank from it. He said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. Truly I tell you, I will never again drink of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God."

#### Peter's Denial Foretold

When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. 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." <sup>31</sup> But he said vehemently, "Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you." And all of them said the same.

#### Jesus Prays in Gethsemane

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."

#### The Betrayal and Arrest of Jesus

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, "Rabbil" 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, 52 but he left the linen cloth and ran off naked.

#### Jesus before the Council

They took Jesus to the high priest; and all the chief priests, the elders, and the scribes were assembled. Peter had followed him at a distance, right into the courtyard of the high priest; and he was sitting with the guards, warming himself at the fire. Now the chief priests and the whole council were looking for testimony against Jesus to put him to death; but they found none. For many gave false testimony against him, and their testimony did not agree. Some stood up and gave false testimony against him, saying, "We heard him say, 'I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and in three days I will build another, not made with hands." But even on this point their testimony did not agree. Then the high priest stood up before them and asked Jesus, "Have you no answer? What is it that they testify against you?" But he was silent and did not answer. Again the high priest asked him, "Are you the Messiah, the Son of the Blessed One?" Jesus said, "I am; and 'you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of the Power,'and 'coming with the clouds of heaven."

Then the high priest tore his clothes and said, "Why do we still need witnesses? You have

heard his blasphemy! What is your decision?" All of them condemned him as deserving death. 65 Some began to spit on him, to blindfold him, and to strike him, saying to him, "Prophesy!" The guards also took him over and beat him.

#### **Peter Denies Jesus**

While Peter was below in the courtyard, one of the servant-girls of the high priest came by. When she saw Peter warming himself, she stared at him and said, "You also were with Jesus, the man from Nazareth." But he denied it, saying, "I do not know or understand what you are talking about." And he went out into the forecourt. Then the cock crowed. And the servant-girl, on seeing him, began again to say to the bystanders, "This man is one of them." But again he denied it. Then after a little while the bystanders again said to Peter, "Certainly you are one of them; for you are a Galilean." But he began to curse, and he swore an oath, "I do not know this man you are talking about." At that moment the cock crowed for the second time. Then Peter remembered that Jesus had said to him, "Before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times." And he broke down and wept.

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING FOR HOLY THURSDAY EVENING

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,

Father Almighty (almighty God), creator of heaven and earth.

From the earth you bring forth bread and create the fruit of the vine.

You formed us in your image, delivered us from captivity, and made covenant to be our sovereign God.

You fed us manna in the wilderness,

and gave grapes as evidence of the promised land.

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

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. When we had turned aside from your way and abused your gifts, you gave us in him your crowning gift. Emptying himself, that our joy might be full,
he fed the hungry, healed the sick,
ate with the scorned and forgotten, washed his disciples' feet,
and gave a holy meal as a pledge of his abiding presence.
By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection
you gave birth to your Church,
delivered us from slavery to sin and death,
and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you.

Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

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.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

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

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## Holy Week

7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Service
With Communion

### Easter Sunday Worship

6:00 a.m. - Sunrise Service

9:30 a.m. - Resurrection Service (Blended Worship)

Please join us for In-Person worship each Sunday at 9:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Virtual worship is available on our own YouTube channel by **CLICKING HERE**.