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MAUNDY THURSDAY

"Please be sure to turn off your cell phones or silence them during the service. Thank you."

The Announcements and Words of Welcome

The Prelude:

***The Call To Worship** – from Job 19:25

I know that my Redeemer lives and that in the end he will stand upon the earth.

*The Invocation

***The Hymn of Praise:** Hallelujah, What a Savior! #311

The Scripture Lesson: Psalm 118:1-29

The Message: THE LORD HAS DONE THIS AND IT IS MARVELOUS

The Ordinance of Footwashing

The Scripture Reading: John 13:1-17

The Hymn: When I Survey the Wondrous Cross #324

(Those participating in the ordinance of Footwashing are asked to go to the prepared locations during the **last** verse of the hymn. Those who decide not to participate are asked to remain in prayer and/or meditate on scripture.)

The Adult Choir: In The Garden

The Ordinance of The Lord's Supper

(In the Churches of God we observe open communion. All who confess Jesus Christ as their Savior and Lord are invited to participate in the Ordinance.)

The Invitation: My brothers and sisters, we come to this table, not as examples of perfection but as witnesses of grace. We come in remembrance of the self-giving love of our Lord Jesus Christ. Let us remember that we are a part of His great Family, the Church of God. Let us remember that His blood was shed for all, and in His name invite every one who strives to follow Him to join in this memorial of the broken body and shed blood of Christ.

The Blessing of the Bread

"Take eat; this is my body which is broken for you: This do in remembrance of me."

The Blessing of the Cup

"This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this as often as your drink it, in remembrance of me."

The Closing Hymn: There is a Redeemer #308

*The Benediction

*The Postlude

Please join us for Easter Sunday services which will be combined and begin at 9:00 AM. There will be no Sunday School.



The Reading: John 13:1-17

1 It was just before the Passover Festival. Jesus knew that the hour had come for him to leave this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. 2 The evening meal was in progress, and the devil had already prompted Judas, the son of Simon Iscariot, to betray Jesus. 3 Jesus knew that the Father had put all things under his power, and that he had come from God and was returning to God; 4 so he got up from the meal, took off his outer clothing, and wrapped a towel around his waist. 5 After that, he poured water into a basin and began to wash his disciples' feet, drying them with the towel that was wrapped around him. 6 He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" 7 Jesus replied, "You do not realize now what I am doing, but later you will understand." 8 "No," said Peter, "you shall never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no part with me." 9 "Then, Lord," Simon Peter replied, "not just my feet but my hands and my head as well!" 10 Jesus answered, "Those who have had a bath need only to wash their feet; their whole body is clean. And you are clean, though not every one of you." 11 For he knew who was going to betray him, and that was why he said not every one was clean. 12 When he had finished washing their feet, he put on his clothes and returned to his place. "Do you understand what I have done for you?" he asked them. 13 "You call me 'Teacher' and 'Lord,' and rightly so, for that is what I am. 14 Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. 15 I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you. 16 Very truly I tell you, no servant is greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. 17 Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them.



TONIGHT'S SCRIPTURE:

Psalm 118: 1-29



1 Give thanks to the Lord , for he is good; his love endures forever. 2 Let Israel say: "His love endures forever." 3 Let the house of Aaron say: "His love endures forever." 4 Let those who fear the Lord say: "His love endures forever." 5 In my anguish I cried to the Lord , and he answered by setting me free. 6 The Lord is with me; I will not be afraid. What can man do to me? 7 The Lord is with me; he is my helper. I will look in triumph on my enemies. 8 It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in man. 9 It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in princes. 10 All the nations surrounded me, but in the name of the Lord I cut them off. 11 They surrounded me on every side, but in the name of the Lord I cut them off. 12 They swarmed around me like bees, but they died out as quickly as burning thorns; in the name of the Lord I cut them off. 13 I was pushed back and about to fall, but the Lord helped me. 14 The Lord is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation. 15 Shouts of joy and victory resound in the tents of the righteous: "The Lord 's right hand has done mighty things! 16 The Lord 's right hand is lifted high; the Lord 's right hand has done mighty things!" 17 I will not die but live, and will proclaim what the Lord has done. 18 The Lord has chastened me severely, but he has not given me over to death. 19 Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter and give thanks to the Lord . 20 This is the gate of the Lord through which the righteous may enter. 21 I will give you thanks, for you answered me; you have become my salvation. 22 The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone; 23 the Lord has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes. 24 This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. 25 O Lord , save us; O Lord , grant us success. 26 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord . From the house of the Lord we bless you. 27 The Lord is God, and he has made his light shine upon us. With boughs in hand, join in the festal procession up to the horns of the altar. 28 You are my God, and I will give you thanks; you are my God, and I will exalt you. 29 Give thanks to the Lord , for he is good; his love endures forever.

²⁶ As the soldiers led him away, they seized Simon from Cyrene, who was on his way in from the country, and put the cross on him and made him carry it behind Jesus. ²⁷ A large number of people followed him, including women who mourned and wailed for him. ²⁸ Jesus turned and said to them, “Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me; weep for yourselves and for your children. ²⁹ For the time will come when you will say, ‘Blessed are the childless women, the wombs that never bore and the breasts that never nursed!’ ³⁰ Then “they will say to the mountains, “Fall on us!” and to the hills, “Cover us!””^[L] ³¹ For if people do these things when the tree is green, what will happen when it is dry?”

³² Two other men, both criminals, were also led out with him to be executed. ³³ When they came to the place called the Skull, they crucified him there, along with the criminals—one on his right, the other on his left. ³⁴ Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing.”^[L] And they divided up his clothes by casting lots.

³⁵ The people stood watching, and the rulers even sneered at him. They said, “He saved others; let him save himself if he is God’s Messiah, the Chosen One.” ³⁶ The soldiers also came up and mocked him. They offered him wine vinegar ³⁷ and said, “If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself.”³⁸ There was a written notice above him, which read: THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS. ³⁹ One of the criminals who hung there hurled insults at him: “Aren’t you the Messiah? Save yourself and us!”

⁴⁰ But the other criminal rebuked him. “Don’t you fear God,” he said, “since you are under the same sentence? ⁴¹ We are punished justly, for we are getting what our deeds deserve. But this man has done nothing wrong.” ⁴² Then he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.”^[L] ⁴³ Jesus answered him, “Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise.”

The Death of Jesus

⁴⁴ It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, ⁴⁵ for the sun stopped shining. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two. ⁴⁶ Jesus called out with a loud voice, “Father, into your hands I commit my spirit.”^[L] When he had said this, he breathed his last. ⁴⁷ The centurion, seeing what had happened, praised God and said, “Surely this was a righteous man.” ⁴⁸ When all the people who had gathered to witness this sight saw what took place, they beat their breasts and went away. ⁴⁹ But all those who knew him, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things.

The Burial of Jesus

⁵⁰ Now there was a man named Joseph, a member of the Council, a good and upright man, ⁵¹ who had not consented to their decision and action. He came from the Judean town of Arimathea, and he himself was waiting for the kingdom of God. ⁵² Going to Pilate, he asked for Jesus’ body. ⁵³ Then he took it down, wrapped it in linen cloth and placed it in a tomb cut in the rock, one in which no one had yet been laid. ⁵⁴ It was Preparation Day, and the Sabbath was about to begin. ⁵⁵ The women who had come with Jesus from Galilee followed Joseph and saw the tomb and how his body was laid in it. ⁵⁶ Then they went home and prepared spices and perfumes. But they rested on the Sabbath in obedience to the commandment.

Looking Ahead:

April 9 - Combined Worship Service 9:00 AM
No Sunday School

April 12 - Family Night Programming
6:00 Awana Choir
6:30 Awana
6:30 PM—Adult Bible Study
7:30 PM—Adult Choir

April 14 - Spring Fling Adult Fellowship

April 16 - Morning Worship

April 19- Family Night Programming
6:00 Awana Choir
6:30 Awana
6:30 PM—Adult Bible Study
7:30 PM—Adult Choir

April 23 - Morning Worship
Coffee Connection

April 24-25 - Eastern Regional Conference Sessions
6:30 pm—Patches

April 26- Family Night Programming

April 30 - Morning Worship

May 3—Family Night Programming

May 7—Morning Worship

May 10—Family Night Programming

May 12 - Spring Fling Adult Fellowship

May 14—Morning Worship

May 16—JOT Gettysburg Bus Trip

Come join us