

**St. Andrew's Hespeler  
Presbyterian Church  
April 14th 2022  
Maundy Thursday**

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**Order of Worship for April 14.** We will meet online and in person at 7:30 pm. The Zoom link will be posted on the website. If you wish to attend in person, masking and social distancing are not required by law but we would continue to highly recommend that we do so as a sign of respect to others who may be vulnerable. This will be a communion service. If you are joining us from home, please prepare communion elements (bread and wine) so that we may all celebrate together.

Call to Worship

L: This is the day

**P: when Christ gathered with his disciples in an upper room.**

L: This is the day

**P: when Christ shared a meal as a sign of his great love.**

L: This is the day

**P: when Christ took a towel, washed the disciples' feet and showed us how to serve others.**

L: This is the day that the Lord has made.

**P: We will watch and listen with open hearts, filled with gratitude.**

Hymn #224 An upper room did our Lord prepare

1. 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.

2. 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.

3. And after Supper he washed their feet,  
for service, too, is sacrament.  
In him our joy shall be made complete  
sent out to serve, as he was sent.

4. No end there is! We depart in peace.  
He loves beyond our uttermost:  
in every room in our Father's house  
he will be there, as Lord and host.

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**Leader:** We gather to mark the last day of Jesus' earthly life. After each part of the story is read, we will sing the printed refrain, using the tune to "Were you there when

they crucified my Lord," followed by a few moments in silent reflection and prayer.

Holy and mysterious God, as we gather around this table and prepare to hear again the story of the Last Supper, focus our attention. Gather us in worship with ears prepared to hear, minds prepared to learn, hands prepared to receive, and hearts prepared to love, even to the point of breaking. Draw us closer to Christ to receive his loving kindness. Draw us closer to you and to one another, in the name of Jesus, our Servant Lord. Amen.

**Reading:** Luke 22:7-13 – Preparing for the Passover Meal

<sup>7</sup> Then came the day of Unleavened Bread, on which the Passover lamb had to be sacrificed. <sup>8</sup> So Jesus sent Peter and John, saying, "Go and prepare the Passover meal for us that we may eat it." <sup>9</sup> They asked him, "Where do you want us to make preparations for it?" <sup>10</sup> "Listen," he said to them, "when you have entered the city, a man carrying a jar of water will meet you; follow him into the house he enters <sup>11</sup> and say to the owner of the house, 'The teacher asks you, "Where is the guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?"'" <sup>12</sup> He will show you a large room upstairs, already furnished. Make preparations for us there." <sup>13</sup> So they went and found everything as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover meal.

**Sung Response** (new words set to Hymn 233)

**Were you there when he gathered with his friends? (x2),  
sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.**

**Were you there when he gathered with his friends?**

(Silence)

**Reading:** Luke 22:14-23 - Lord's Supper

<sup>14</sup> When the hour came, he took his place at the table, and the apostles with him. <sup>15</sup> He said to them, 'I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer; <sup>16</sup> for I tell you, I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God.' <sup>17</sup> Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he said, 'Take this and divide it among yourselves; <sup>18</sup> for I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes.' <sup>19</sup> Then he took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, 'This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.' <sup>20</sup> And he did the same with the cup after supper, saying, 'This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood. <sup>21</sup> But see, the one who betrays me is with me, and his hand is on the table. <sup>22</sup> For the Son of Man is going as it has been determined, but woe to that one by whom he is betrayed!' <sup>23</sup> Then they began to ask one another which one of them it could be who would do this.

### **Sung Response**

**Were you there when he gave them bread and wine?  
(x2)**

**O, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.  
Were you there when he gave them bread and wine?**

(Silence)

### **Invitation to Communion**

We gather around this table, to remember the love, care and sacrifice of Jesus Christ. Come, for all this is prepared for you. Come, because our Lord Jesus invites you to share the bread and the cup and remember him.

Interlude

Martin Bohl

### **Communion Prayer**

Holy One, Creator of heaven and earth, you spoke and order emerged from chaos, creation grew from the formless void, and light broke into the darkness. You formed us in your image and called us to be your people. You spoke words of law and love to shape us into a community. Through the prophets, you called us to do justice and live in peace.

In the fullness of time, your Word became flesh and lived among us. In Jesus, we saw your full glory. He shared our human nature; he lived and died as one of us. He healed the sick, ate and drank with outcasts, taught us to follow his way, and proclaimed the good news of your kingdom.

We give you thanks for Christ, the gift of your love and grace. Pour out your Spirit upon us and on these gifts of bread and wine. May they become the body and blood of

Christ for us. Nourished by them, may we become the body of Christ, serving you in the world you love. Amen.

On the night he was betrayed, Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my body given for you; do this in remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins; do this, as often as you drink of it, in remembrance of me."

### **Prayer Reading: John 13:3-8 – Jesus Washes the Feet of His Disciples**

<sup>3</sup> Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, <sup>4</sup> got up from the table, <sup>[a]</sup> took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. <sup>5</sup> 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. <sup>6</sup> He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, 'Lord, are you going to wash my feet?' <sup>7</sup> Jesus answered, 'You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand.' <sup>8</sup> Peter said to him, 'You will never wash my feet.' Jesus answered, 'Unless I wash you, you have no share with me.'

### **Sung response**

**Were you there when he knelt and washed their feet?  
(x2)**

**O, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.  
Were you there when he knelt and washed their feet?**

(Silence)

### **Leader:**

On the night of his arrest, Jesus gave his disciples a new commandment and set an example for them by washing their feet. In this act of service, he reminded his followers to serve one another.

Therefore, you are invited to be washed and to wash one another, to be served and to serve each another.

Remember your baptism, and your calling to follow Christ's example.

Hymn #225 A new commandment

"A new commandment I give unto you,  
that you love one another as I have loved you,  
that you love one another as I have loved you.

By this shall all know you are my disciples:  
if you have love one for another;

by this shall all know you are my disciples:  
if you have love one for another.

**Reading:** Luke 22:39-46 – In Gethsemane

<sup>39</sup> He came out and went, as was his custom, to the Mount of Olives; and the disciples followed him. <sup>40</sup> When he reached the place, he said to them, 'Pray that you may not come into the time of trial.' <sup>41</sup> Then he withdrew from them about a stone's throw, knelt down, and prayed, <sup>42</sup> 'Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me; yet, not my will but yours be done.' <sup>43</sup> Then an angel from heaven appeared to him and gave him strength. <sup>44</sup> In his anguish he prayed more earnestly, and his sweat became like great drops of blood falling down on the ground. <sup>45</sup> When he got up from prayer, he came to the disciples and found them sleeping because of grief, <sup>46</sup> and he said to them, 'Why are you sleeping? Get up and pray that you may not come into the time of trial.'

**Sung response**

**Were you there when he knelt and prayed to God? (x2)  
O, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.  
Were you there when he knelt and prayed to God?**

(Silence)

**Reading:** Luke 22:47-53 – The Betrayal and Arrest

<sup>47</sup> While he was still speaking, suddenly a crowd came, and the one called Judas, one of the twelve, was leading them. He approached Jesus to kiss him; <sup>48</sup> but Jesus said to him, 'Judas, is it with a kiss that you are betraying the Son of Man?' <sup>49</sup> When those who were around him saw what was coming, they asked, 'Lord, should we strike with the sword?' <sup>50</sup> Then one of them struck the slave of the high priest and cut off his right ear. <sup>51</sup> But Jesus said, 'No more of this!' And he touched his ear and healed him. <sup>52</sup> Then Jesus said to the chief priests, the officers of the temple police, and the elders who had come for him, 'Have you come out with swords and clubs as if I were a bandit?' <sup>53</sup> When I was with you day after day in the temple, you did not lay hands on me. But this is your hour, and the power of darkness!

**Sung response:**

**Were you there when his friends betrayed and ran? (x2)  
O, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.  
Were you there when his friends betrayed and ran?**

(Silence)

Prayers of the people (using chat to share requests)

Benediction