# Maundy Thursday

oly Shepherd Lutheran Church Orinda, California 7:00p on March 28, 2024

*Welcome to Worship* with Holy Shepherd Lutheran Church, whether you worship with us in-person or are online worshipers (live-streamed on Facebook @HSLCOrinda or archived at www.holyshepherd.org.) In whatever way you join us, may you know God's grace as we worship.

**This Evening** we begin our remembrance of the Three Days that changed everything. Tonight we recall Christ's last meal with his disciples. As we share in Holy Communion this evening, know that this is the Lord's table and that he is the host. Jesus welcomes everyone to come and eat and be nourished, fed and forgiven. Come and eat and live!

**Our Worshipful Remembrance** of the Three Great Days of the Church Year continues tomorrow with <u>Good Friday</u> (March 29) at 7pm and <u>Easter Sunday</u> (March 31) at 9am and 10:30am. Join us as we hear the story of Jesus' journey to the Cross and proclaim the mystery of the empty tomb!

▲ indicates that you are invited to stand as you are able

# **GATHERING MUSIC**

Julie Hamre

## WORDS OF WELCOME

#### A READING FROM MARK

Mark 14:12-16

On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb is sacrificed, his disciples said to him, "Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?" So he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, "Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you; follow him, and wherever he enters, say to the owner of the house, 'The Teacher asks: Where is my guest room where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?' He will show you a large room upstairs, furnished and ready. Make preparations for us there." So the disciples set out and went to the city and found everything as he had told them, and they prepared the Passover meal.

▲ **OUR GATHERING SONG** LET ALL MORTAL FLESH ... Lyrics by Gerard Moultrie / Music Trad. French / ELW 490

> Let all mortal flesh keep silence, and with fear and trembling stand; ponder nothing earthly-minded, for with blessing in his hand Christ our God to earth descending comes full homage to demand.

King of kings, yet born of Mary, as of old on earth he stood, Lord of lords in human vesture, in the body and the blood, he will give to all the faithful his own self for heav'nly food.

Rank on rank, the host of heaven spreads its vanguard on the way; as the Light of light, descending from the realms of endless day, comes, the pow'rs of hell to vanquish, as the darkness clears away.

### A READING FROM JOHN

John 13:2b-17

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 supper, 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 reclined again, 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, slaves 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.

**A HYMN** WHERE CHARITY AND LOVE PREVAIL Lyrics by O. Westendorf / Music by L. Chapin / ELW #359

> Where charity and love prevail, there God is ever found brought here together by Christ's love by love we are thus bound.

With grateful joy and holy fear, God's charity we learn; let us with heart and mind and soul now love God in return.

Let us recall that in our midst dwells Christ God's holy Son as members of each body joined in him we are made one.

Let us forgive each other's faults as we our won confess that we may love each other well in Christian gentleness.

# **OUR PRAYER OF THE DAY**

- L: Let us pray .... Holy Jesus, the bread and wine of your last supper have become your body and blood, given for us. Transform us with your holy presence as you come to us this night. Cleanse us, forgive us, and reshape us in your image, for you are the one true hope of our broken lives and our broken world.
- P: Amen.

# A READING FROM MARK

Mark 14:17-25

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."

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."

# A PASTORAL REFLECTION

Pastor Pam Schaefer Dawson

# ▲ OUR PRAYERS FOR MAUNDY THURSDAY

We pray penitent prayers for the Church throughout the world this holy evening – utilizing the responsive phrase "... Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**" and concluding with the Lord's Prayer.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

# ▲ THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Saint Paul wrote: For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

## THE SHARING OF HOLY COMMUNION

We invite you to come to the altar rail to receive the bread and wine that bear the promise that God is with us. After consuming the elements, please return to your seat by the side aisle. You are invited to join in singing the following hymns during the sharing of Holy Communion:

> LET US BREAK BREAD TOGETHER African American Spiritual / ELW #471

Let us break bread together on our knees; let us break bread together on our knees. When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us drink wine together on our knees; let us drink wine together on our knees. When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us praise God together on our knees; let us praise God together on our knees. When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.

BREAD OF LIFE, OUR HOST AND MEAL Lyrics and Music by Ray Makeever / ELW #464

> Bread of Life, our host and meal, Jesus, feed us. Christ, by faith, to see and feel, feed us with your love.

Bread now break and wine now pour. Jesus, feed us. Make us one, our hope restore. Feed us with your love.

Grant forgiveness in the feast. Jesus, feed us. For the greatest and the least, feed us with your love.

Thank you for this gift you share. Jesus, feed us. Save God's children everywhere. Feed us with your love.

#### THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

- L: Lord Jesus, you strengthen us with the saving power of your suffering, death, and resurrection. May this sacrament of your body and blood – may real in bread and wine – work in us that the fruits of your redemption will show forth in the way we live, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- P: Amen.

# A READING FROM MARK

Mark 14:26-42

When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. And Jesus said to them, "You will all fall away, 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 fall away, 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.

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, "My soul is 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. Look, my betrayer is at hand."

## A MUSICAL REFLECTION

WHEN YOU PRAYED BENEATH THE TREES Lyrics and Music by Christopher Idle and Lloyd Larson

# THE STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR

You are invited to depart in silence following the stripping of the altar.

Thank you to this evening's Worship Team for sharing their gifts of music with us today, including:

Bethany Valentine – Vocalist and Creative Director Gretchen Stenson – Vocalist Diana Riveness Young – Vocalist Sharon Tissue – Vocalist Elizabeth Humphrey – Vocalist Pastor Pam Schaefer Dawson – Vocalist Joe Zingale – Vocalist John Goetz – Vocalist Won Yang – Vocalist Pastor John Valentine – Vocalist Julie Hamre – Organist and Pianist

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