



# Responding in Service

Maundy Thursday

April 17, 2025

## MAUNDY THURSDAY WORSHIP

April 17, 2025 5:00 pm

*"Love makes us give ourselves as far as possible to our friends."*

*- St. Thomas Aquinas, Summa theologiae)*

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### WELCOME

The Rev. Dr. Christine Dempsey

### PRELUDE

"The Last Supper"

Weinberger

Organist, Larry Gillum

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Jesus said, "I give you a new commandment, that you love one another."

***Just as Christ has loved us, let us love one another.***

### HYMN NO. 209

"My Song is Love Unknown"

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

***Eternal God, whose covenant with us is never broken, we confess that we fail to fulfill your will. Though you have bound yourself to us, we will not bind ourselves to you. In Jesus Christ, you serve us freely, but we refuse your love and withhold ourselves from others. We do not love you fully or love one another as you command. In your mercy, forgive and cleanse us. Lead us once again to your table and unite us to Christ, who is the bread of life and the one from which we grow in grace.***

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

#### SCRIPTURE

*John 13:1-17, 31b-35*

*1 Peter 4:7-11*

### CHORAL MEDITATION

"And Can It Be"

Dan Forrest

Pianist, Verlene Thorp

Director, Rich Dixon

**MEDITATION IN WORD** “Responding in Service”

The Rev. Dr. Christine Dempsey

**HYMN No. 213**

“In the Cross of Christ I Glory”

**THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER**

*Today, we will practice communion by intinction. This is a practice where we come forward to participate in the sacraments. When you come forward, take a piece of bread, dip it into the cup and eat the elements together. If you are not comfortable coming forward, we will have servers that will come to you.*

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

***Generous God, you have given yourself to us and made us yours. At this last supper, you gave us instructions to practice this ritual through our lives. For it is in this remembrance that we are strengthened by your love and fed by your Word. Thank you for uniting us with you and with each other, for giving us new life and new hope, and preparing us to live as your people. May our lives reflect our hope in you. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.***

**HYMN No. 221**

“O Sacred Head, Now Wounded”

**TRIO**

“Go to Dark Gethsemane”

Meyer

Kathye Osborne, flute

Patti Dolezal, bells

Stan Osborne, piano

**PSALM 22 AND THE STRIPPING OF THE CHURCH**

*There is no benediction, no postlude.*

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