

Maundy Thursday † April 9, 2009

Organ Prelude: *A Voice Saith, All are Mortal* - J.S. Bach
Organist - Kristy Kerins

Silent Procession

Bell Choir: *O Lamb of God Most Holy* – arr. Wissinger

Call to Worship: Jesus said, “I am the light of the world. Anyone who follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.” If I say, “Let darkness cover me, and the light around me turn to night,” darkness is not dark to you, O God. The night is as bright as day; darkness and light to you are both alike.”

***Hymn #158** – “Go To Dark Gethsemane”

***Call to Confession**

Pastor: We are gathered in the presence of God who asks us to choose between life and death, between blessing and curse.

People: We are gathered like the people of Israel who were challenged to choose the way of life.

Pastor: Yet, like them, we have the freedom each day to begin anew by the grace of God.

People: Let us praise the God of love and life who has called us to this place of worship and grace.

Pastor: Let us confess our sin to God.

***Prayer of Confession** (unison): Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all people, we acknowledge and confess our sins before you which we have committed by thought, word, and deed. We seek your mercy upon us, Lord. Forgive all that is past and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please Thee in newness of life, to the honor and glory of Thy name, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

***Prayer of Absolution**

Choral Anthem: *Thy Perfect Love* - Rutter

The Call to Sacrifice

Pastor: Jesus said, “I am the Light of the world.”

People: “Anyone who follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the Light of life.”

Leader: If I say, “Let the darkness cover me and the light around me turn to night,” darkness is not dark to you, O God.

People: The night is as bright as the day; darkness and light to you are both alike.

Leader: Gracious God, You give us the sun to illumine the day and the moon and stars to shine by night. Kindle in us the flame of your love that our lives may shed abroad the radiance of Your light and the world may be full of the splendor of Your glory, through Jesus Christ, Son of Righteousness. Amen.

Organ /Piano Duet: *What Wondrous Love/O sacred Head* – arr. Nielson & Young

Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

Invitation

Prayer of Consecration

Distribution of the Bread and Cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Choral Anthem: *At the Table of the Lord* -Althouse

The Office of Tenebrae

Prayer of Preparation

Hymn #179 – “Were You there?”

The Shadows of...

Betrayal: Matthew 26:20-22, 25

Desertion: Matthew 26:31-35

The Cup of Suffering: Luke 22:39, 41, 42

Unshared Vigil: Mark 14:37-42

The Hour’s Arrival: John 17:1-5

Arrest: John 18:3-6

Denial: Matthew 26:69-75

Mocking: Mark 15:16-20

The Call to Crucify: Luke 23:13, 15a-21

The Carried Cross: Luke 23:26-27

The Shared Crucifixion :John 19:17-18

Death: Luke 23:44-46

Darkness: The gradual extinguishing of the lights is symbolic of the flight of the disciples, the approach of the dark hate of Jesus' enemies and the passion of our Lord. Members of the congregation are requested to leave the sanctuary in silence, contemplating the aloneness and sorrow of Jesus and the brutality of the crucifixion.

After the lights are restored, please leave the building in silence.

Ushers: Members of the Diaconate

Offering plates are placed at the doors of the sanctuary.

Good Friday: April 10th at 7:30 PM

Sunrise Service: April 12th at 5:45 AM, at St. Andrews Church in Hyannisport

Easter Worship: April 12th at 10:00AM

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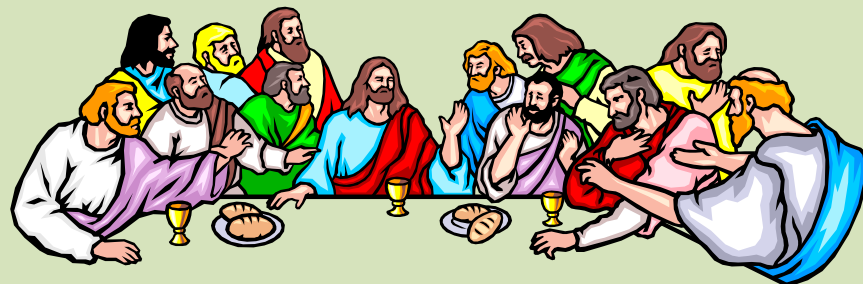
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Jesus took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body." Then he took the cup, gave thanks and offered it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you. This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins."