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MAUNDY THURSDAY

April 14, 2022

7:00 p.m.

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- During the 10:30 service, the nursery is available for newborns to age 2
- During the 10:30 service, Jesus Vibes Sunday School is available for ages 3-8th grade

“WELCOMING, LOVING, SERVING, WHERE GOD HAS NO LIMITS”

MUSIC FOR GATHERING “What Wondrous Love Is This?” – arr. Teresa Wilhelmi

WELCOME

SONG “Good Enough” *Marsha Moors-Charles & Chuck Bell, © 2021*
Choir sings 1st time through, congregation joins in on the repeat

10 What in our lives do we dream a - bout for to - mor - row, void of sor - row?__

24 Time spent re - gret - ting de - ci - sions of our yes - ter - days, mi - stakes we made?

10 Some - times we get what we get, life dis - ap - points us and yet, __

26 God is still here and some - how, this faith is good__ e - nough.

CALLING ON GOD (Based on Psalm 116)

Leader: Let us pray together:

People: Holy One, You who lay a table of blessing before us, you have heard us and have come to us. We lift up the cup of salvation in praise, we break open and share our love. Open us this night to your presence in our gardens of delight and sorrow—in the simple and good enough moments that fill our days. Amen.

OPENING HYMN

"The Night of His Betrayal"

Medieval Latin, attrib. Bernard of Clairvaux (1091-1153)

German para. Paul Gerhardt, 1656; trans. James W. Alexander, 1830, alt.

PASSION CHORALE 7.6.7.6.D.

Melody by Hans Leo Hassler, 1601; harm. JS Bach, 1729

The night of his betrayal, Christ Jesus took the bread,
And there with friends at table, he blessed it and he said,
"This is my body broken; I offer it to you.
Remember what I've spoken! Remember what I do!"

And then he took the chalice and taught them one more time;
He said, "Receive the promise — my blood, in table wine.
As often as you do this, remember what I've done."
We eat and drink proclaiming Christ's death until he comes.

He got up from the supper and humbly served his friends;
With basin, towel and water, he showed how love extends.
He could have asked for glory, yet in a servant's place,
He lived the gospel story and showed God's love and grace.

The cup is our salvation, the bread, Lord, comes from you.
The water in the basin reminds us what is true:
Your love is your commandment to those who seek your way.
Now nourish us and send us, so we may serve today.

HONEST QUESTIONS, COMPASSIONATE RESPONSE

Leader: Hear this compassionate word: Love that cannot be quantified reminds us that each and every person is blessed, always, regardless of who we are, how we've failed, or what we've accomplished.

Know that already, God is offering us freedom from never feeling good enough for all the blessings of life and faith, inviting us to love and to bless in the same way— indiscriminately, extravagantly.

And know, that despite our sometimes faltering steps, in the name of Jesus Christ, you are being forgiven, even now.

People: **In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Glory to God! Amen.**

PASSING OF THE PEACE

SCRIPTURE Matthew 5:1-11 (N.T. pg. 4)

*At the conclusion of the reading the liturgist says, "A Word of God that is still speaking."
We respond, "Thanks be to God."*

THOUGHTS ABOUT AN IMPERFECT LIFE AND FAITH

"We are blessed, regardless"

Rev. Luke Lindon

A BLESSING FOR WHEN YOU DON'T FEEL #BLESSED

At the conclusion of the blessing we respond:

"Blessed are we. The imperfect and don't-have-it-all-together. God's beloved."

SCRIPTURE John 13:1-17, 31b-35 (N.T. pg. 101-102)

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A GOOD ENOUGH STEP

When prompted, we pray together:

"The Lord bless you and keep you;

The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;

The Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace." (Numbers 6:24-26)

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation to the Table

The Words of Institution

Distribution Music "Stay With Me" – Heather Sorenson

Chancel Choir

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

CLOSING SCRIPTURE Luke 22:39-53 (N.T. pg. 82)

"MORE THAN CHURCH ON SUNDAY"

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April 15, 2022 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary

(Will also be live streamed)



A Good Enough Faith
EASTER SUNDAY
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- 7:00 a.m. Sunrise Service**
Spring Grove Chapel
- 8:15 a.m. Chapel Service**
UCC Chapel
- 9:00 a.m. Gathering Service**
Fellowship Hall
- 10:30 a.m. Traditional service**
Sanctuary

(9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. services will also be live streamed)