

Forest Hill Church

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Forest Hill Church: diverse, inclusive, welcoming

Maundy Thursday Service

April 14, 2022 at 6:00 pm

You may also join worship online using this link:

<https://youtu.be/-2cVSRoMKo8>

PRELUDE:

J.S. Bach

"Adagio ma non tanto from Sonata in E minor"

Ethan Ramaly, flute

WELCOME

Pastor Veronica Goines

CALL TO WORSHIP:

On this day, Christ the Lamb of God gave himself into the hands of those who would slay him.

On this day, Christ gathered with his disciples in the upper room.

On this day, Christ took a towel and washed the disciples' feet, giving us an example that we should do to others as he has done to us.

On this day, Christ our God gave us this holy feast, that we who eat this bread and drink this cup may here proclaim his holy sacrifice and be partakers of his resurrection, and at the last day may reign with him in heaven.

HYMN:

"Come and Fill Our Hearts"

Come and fill our hearts with your peace. You alone, O Lord, are holy.

Come and fill our hearts with your peace, al-le-lu-ia! *(Repeat)*

CALL TO CONFESSION:

The proof of God's amazing love is this; while we were sinners Christ died for us. Because we have faith in him, we dare to approach God with confidence. In faith and penitence, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

We love you, Lord. But even in our love, we cry out in need.

We cry out for strength in times of trial. We long for hope in times of despair. We yearn for mercy in the midst of our sin. Strengthen us, O God, and renew our hope. Grant your mercy. Feed us with the bread of forgiveness and the water of life, that we may courageously face our lives and gladly accept your grace. In your loving name, we pray.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS:

The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting.

I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

And the God of mercy, who forgives you all your sins, will strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

Amen.

ANTHEM:

Craig Courtney

"The Cross"

THE LIVING WORD:

John 13:1-17, 31-35

Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And 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 the table 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 returned to the table, 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, servants 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.**"

When he had gone out, Jesus said, "**Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews, so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved**

you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

Silent meditation

THE GARDEN OF PRAYER:

TO THE GARDEN:

"Stay with Me"

Stay with me; remain here with me; watch and pray. Watch and pray.

(Repeat)

GATHERING HYMN:

"The Lord Is My Light"

The Lord is my light, my light and salvation: in him I trust, in him I trust.

(Repeat)

Silence

MINISTRY IN SONG:

Stuart Townend

"How Deep the Father's Love For Us"

Mist'a Craig

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(Repeat)

Silence

GATHERING AT THE CROSS

BLESSING OF THE TEARS

PASSING OF THE PEACE:

We have but one instruction this night: to love one another. Let us share signs of this love as we pass the peace of Christ.

SENDING HYMN:

"The Lord Is My Light"

The Lord is my light, my light and salvation: in him I trust, in him I trust.

(Repeat)