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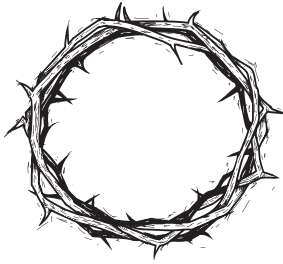
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HOLY WEEK *at* COVENANT

We invite you to join us in worship as we reflect on the Passion of our Lord and celebrate his Resurrection. All are welcome!

GOOD FRIDAY, March 30
12:00 noon
in the Sanctuary
(nursery provided for infants to age 5)

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EASTER SUNDAY, April 1
Sunrise Service | 6:15 am
at Vulcan Park

Pancake Breakfast | 7:00 am
in the Fellowship Hall

Gathered Worship | 8:00 & 10:00 am
in the Sanctuary
(no Sunday School)

Maundy Thursday Service

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Almighty Father, whose dear Son, on the night before he suffered, did institute the Sacrament of his Body and Blood:

Mercifully grant that we may thankfully receive the same in remembrance of him who in these holy mysteries gives us a pledge of life eternal, the same your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit ever, one God, world without end. Amen.

Maundy is derived from the Latin "mandatum," meaning "command," and referring to the new commandment Jesus gave the disciples as He washed their feet—to "love one another as I have loved you."

☒ CALL TO WORSHIP

Sandy Willson

(Congregational responses are *italicized*.)

from Psalm 51

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.

*Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and uphold me with a willing spirit.*

Deliver me from bloodguiltiness, O God,
O God of my salvation,
and my tongue will sing aloud of your righteousness.

*For you will not delight in sacrifice, or I would give it;
you will not be pleased with a burnt offering.*

*The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit;
a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.*

☒ Congregation stands, as able

MEDITATION IN SONG

“The Ground”

Chancel Choir and Orchestra

Children, children
Hear these words I say
Keep watch, keep watch
Stay here while I pray
Unto death my soul is grieved
Jesus, falling to the ground

Father, Father
Ruler of all things
This cup, this cup
May it pass from me!
Not my will, but Yours be done
Sweat and blood, falling to the ground

Abba! Father!

...

My betrayer is at hand.

...

Judas came, then, with lanterns and torches and weapons;
the Roman battalion
“Whom do you seek?”
“Christ, the Nazarene,” truly, “I AM HE”
Soldiers fell to the ground

...

May it be fulfilled

Words: The Gospels; alt. Rick Barnes. Music: Rick Barnes, 2018.

SILENT DISMISSAL

*When the music has concluded, the congregation will exit the Sanctuary
in silence.*

³⁹And he came out and went, as was his custom, to the Mount of Olives, and the disciples followed him. ⁴⁰And when he came to the place, he said to them, “Pray that you may not enter into temptation.” ⁴¹And he withdrew from them about a stone's throw, and knelt down and prayed, ⁴²saying, “Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me. Nevertheless, not my will, but yours, be done.”

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

☒ HYMN OF CHRIST

“O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus”

O the deep, deep love of Jesus,
Vast, unmeasured, boundless, free,
Rolling as a mighty ocean
In its fullness over me.
Underneath me, all around me,
Is the current of Thy love;
Leading onward, leading homeward
To Thy glorious rest above.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus,
Spread His praise from shore to shore!
How He loveth, ever loveth,
Changeth never, nevermore!
How He watches o'er His loved ones,
Died to call them all His own;
How for them He intercedeth,
Watcheth o'er them from the throne.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus,
Love of every love the best;
'Tis an ocean vast of blessing,
'Tis a haven sweet of rest.
Oh the deep, deep love of Jesus,
'Tis a heav'n of heav'ns to me;
And it lifts me up to glory,
For it lifts me up to Thee.

Words Samuel Trevor Francis, 1834-1925.
Music: EBENEZER, Thomas John Williams, 1890.

READING FROM THE PROPHETS

Heath Henderson

Isaiah 1:10-18

¹⁰Hear the word of the Lord,
you rulers of Sodom!

Give ear to the teaching of our God,
you people of Gomorrah!

¹¹“What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices?
says the Lord;

I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams
and the fat of well-fed beasts;

I do not delight in the blood of bulls,
or of lambs, or of goats.

¹²“When you come to appear before me,
who has required of you
this trampling of my courts?

¹³Bring no more vain offerings;
incense is an abomination to me.

New moon and Sabbath and the calling of convocations—
I cannot endure iniquity and solemn assembly.

¹⁴Your new moons and your appointed feasts
my soul hates;

they have become a burden to me;
I am weary of bearing them.

⁵When you spread out your hands,
I will hide my eyes from you;
even though you make many prayers,
I will not listen;
your hands are full of blood.

READING FROM THE GOSPELS

Luke 22:24-42

A dispute also arose among them, as to which of them was to be regarded as the greatest. ²⁵And he said to them, “The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them, and those in authority over them are called benefactors. ²⁶But not so with you. Rather, let the greatest among you become as the youngest, and the leader as one who serves. ²⁷For who is the greater, one who reclines at table or one who serves? Is it not the one who reclines at table? But I am among you as the one who serves. ²⁸“You are those who have stayed with me in my trials, ²⁹and I assign to you, as my Father assigned to me, a kingdom, that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

³¹“Simon, Simon, behold, Satan demanded to have you, that he might sift you like wheat, ³²but I have prayed for you that your faith may not fail. And when you have turned again, strengthen your brothers.” ³³Peter said to him, “Lord, I am ready to go with you both to prison and to death.” ³⁴Jesus said, “I tell you, Peter, the rooster will not crow this day, until you deny three times that you know me.”

³⁵And he said to them, “When I sent you out with no moneybag or knapsack or sandals, did you lack anything?” They said, “Nothing.”

³⁶He said to them, “But now let the one who has a moneybag take it, and likewise a knapsack. And let the one who has no sword sell his cloak and buy one. ³⁷For I tell you that this Scripture must be fulfilled in me: ‘And he was numbered with the transgressors.’ For what is written about me has its fulfillment.” ³⁸And they said, “Look, Lord, here are two swords.” And he said to them, “It is enough.”

HYMN FOR THE EUCHARIST

Congregation, please sing the Hymn for the Eucharist during Communion.

“O Sacred Head, Now Wounded”

O sacred Head, now wounded,
 With grief and shame weighed down,
 Now scornfully surrounded
 With thorns, Thine only crown.
 How pale thou art with anguish,
 With sore abuse, and scorn;
 How does that visage languish,
 Which once was bright as morn?

What Thou, my Lord, hast suffered
 Was all for sinners' gain;
 Mine, mine was the transgression,
 But Thine the deadly pain.
 Lo, here I fall, my Savior!
 'Tis I deserve Thy place;
 Look on me with Thy favor,
 Vouchsafe to me Thy grace.

What language shall I borrow
 To thank Thee, dearest Friend,
 For this, Thy dying sorrow,
 Thy pity without end?
 O make me Thine forever!
 And should I fainting be,
 Lord, let me never, never,
 Outlive my love for Thee.

Words: Bernard of Clarivaux, 1091-1153; tr. By Paul Gerhardt, 1656;
 tr. by James W. Alexander, 1830. Music: PASSION CHORALE; Hans
 Leo Hassler, 1601; arr. by J.S. Bach, 1729.

¹⁶Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean;
 remove the evil of your deeds from before my eyes;
 cease to do evil,
¹⁷learn to do good;
 seek justice,
 correct oppression;
 bring justice to the fatherless,
 plead the widow's cause.

¹⁸“Come now, let us reason together, says the Lord:
 though your sins are like scarlet,
 they shall be as white as snow;
 though they are red like crimson,
 they shall become like wool.

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

☒ HYMN OF THE CROSS

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of Glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast
Save in the death of Christ, my God!
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his blood.

See from His head, His hands, His feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down.
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were a present far too small.
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.

Words: Isaac Watts, 1707, 1709. Music: Gregorian chant;
arr. by Lowell Mason, 1824.

Prayer of Humble Access

We do not presume to come to this your Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your Table, but you are the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to commemorate in this breaking of bread the death of your dear son Jesus Christ, that we may feed on him in our hearts by faith, and that we may evermore dwell in Him, and He in us. Amen.

Prayer of Consecration

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these your gifts of bread and wine, that the bread we break and the cup we bless may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ. By your Spirit make us one with Christ, that we may be one with all who share this feast and united in ministry with your people in every place.

This we pray in the name of the One who taught us to pray, saying:

*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.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil,
for Thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory, forever, Amen.*

If you desire gluten free bread, please walk down the center aisle, either upstairs or down, and the server will provide it accordingly.

☒ **Apostle's Creed**

*I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church;
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.*

☒ **Congregational Response**

"Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross"

In the cross, in the cross,
Be my glory ever,
Till my raptured soul shall find
Rest beyond the river.

Words: Fanny J. Crosby, 1869. Music: William H. Doane, 1869.

Words of Institution

from 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

READING FROM THE GOSPELS

John 13:1-20

Now before the Feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart out of this world to the Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. ²During supper, when the devil had already put it into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him, ³Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going back to God, ⁴rose from supper. He laid aside his outer garments, and taking a towel, tied it around his waist. ⁵Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was wrapped around him. ⁶He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, do you wash my feet?" ⁷Jesus answered him, "What I am doing you do not understand now, but afterward you will understand." ⁸Peter said to him, "You shall never wash my feet." Jesus answered him, "If I do not wash you, you have no share with me." ⁹Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" ¹⁰Jesus said to him, "The one who has bathed does not need to wash, except for his feet but is completely clean. And you are clean, but not every one of you." ¹¹For he knew who was to betray him; that was why he said, "Not all of you are clean."

¹²When he had washed their feet and put on his outer garments and resumed his place, he said to them, "Do you understand what I have done to you? ¹³You call me Teacher and Lord, and you are right, for so I am. ¹⁴If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. ¹⁵For I have given you an example, that you also should do just as I have done to you. ¹⁶Truly, truly, I say to you, a servant is not greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. ¹⁷If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them. ¹⁸I am not speaking of all of you; I know whom I have chosen. But the

Scripture will be fulfilled, 'He who ate my bread has lifted his heel against me.' ¹⁹I am telling you this now, before it takes place, that when it does take place you may believe that I am he. ²⁰Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever receives the one I send receives me, and whoever receives me receives the one who sent me."

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

HOMILY

"HE LOVED THEM TO THE END"

Marty Crawford

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

All who are united in Christ Jesus by faith and are baptized, communing members of His visible Church are invited to come to the Lord's Table. If you are not communing but would like to participate, come forward and fold your hands, and you will receive a prayer of blessing from the server.

The congregation will read aloud the portions that are *italicized*.

Prayer of Confession

*O most mighty God, and merciful Father,
who has compassion upon all men,
and who desires not the death of a sinner,
but rather that he should turn from his sin, and be saved;
Mercifully forgive us our trespasses; receive and comfort us,
who are grieved and wearied with the burden of our sins.
Your property is always to have mercy;
therefore, from you alone comes the forgiveness of sins.
Spare us therefore, good Lord, spare your people,
whom you have redeemed;
enter not into judgment with your servants;
but so turn your anger from us,
who meekly acknowledge our transgressions,
and truly repent of our faults,
and so make haste to help us in this world,
that we may ever live with you in the world to come;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Assurance of Pardon

“Come now, let us reason together, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.

—Isaiah 1:18

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you forgiveness of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of His Holy Spirit.