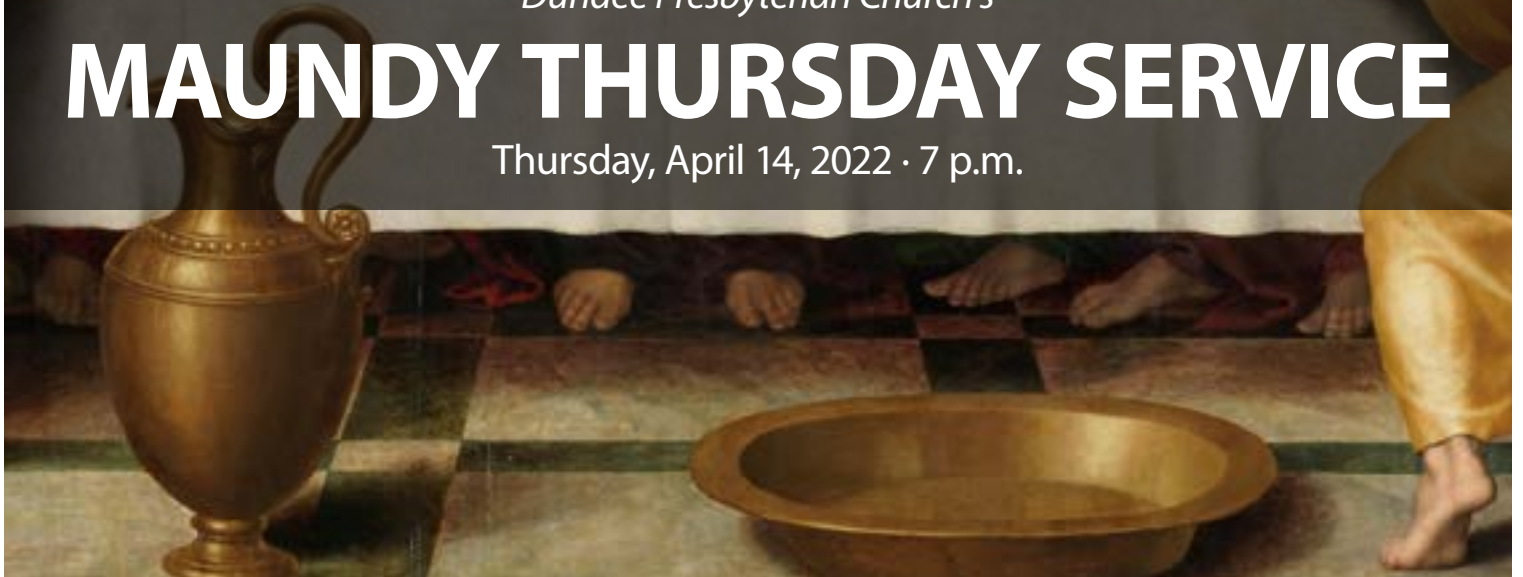




Dundee Presbyterian Church's

MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE

Thursday, April 14, 2022 · 7 p.m.



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Prelude *Were You There* (Hymn 218 / Masters)

Dr. Wayne Kallstrom

Meditation

This worship service is a memorial. It is a time when we re-tell the story of what Jesus did and said and felt in the final hours of His life on earth. It is a memorial of who He is. It's also a memorial of who we are, and of what we need. Everything about this service seeks to alter our memories and assumptions so that we will never be the same. If you don't want to be completely transformed from what you are now, you're in the wrong place.

Welcome and Introduction

Lighting of the Christ Candle as the Lord Comes into a Dark World

Introit *In Monte Oliveti* (Martens)

Choir

Call to Worship

I love the Lord, because He has heard my voice and my supplications. Because He inclined His ear to me, therefore, I will call on Him as long as I live.

The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of death laid hold on me; I suffered distress and anguish. Then I called on the name of the Lord.

I prayed that God would save my life and He paid the greatest price in order to set me free. What shall I return to the Lord for what He has done?

I will lift up the cup of salvation and I will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all of His people.

Gracious is the Lord, and righteous; our God is merciful. Return, O my soul, to your rest, for the Lord has dealt bountifully with you.

The Lord has delivered my soul from death, my eyes from tears, and my feet from stumbling. I walk before the Lord in the land of the living.

Invocation

***Hymn** *Worthy Is the Lamb* (Hymn 230)

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

O God, we confess that we have rejected Jesus, just as His own people did. They spat in His face, and we have stubbornly resisted the change that You have required. We confess that we have denied Jesus in the same way that Peter did. He failed to have courage when it was most needed, and we have stayed quiet about You, right when we should have joyfully proclaimed Your praise. We confess that we have mocked You in the same way that the Roman soldiers did. We know that You are the King of kings, but we have served our own will instead of Yours. We have given to You from what is left over, rather than the first fruit that You deserve. Please bless us to receive the grace and forgiveness that You have won for us, so that we may live to Your honor and glory. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

***Hymn** *Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me* (Hymn 227)

The Shadow of Betrayal

Keith Holmes

When it was evening, he took his place with the twelve; and while they were eating, he said, "Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me." And they became greatly distressed and began to say to him one after another, "Surely not I, Lord?" He answered, "The one who has dipped his hand into the bowl with me will betray me. The Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that one by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that one not to have been born." Judas, who betrayed him, said, "Surely not I, Rabbi?" Jesus replied, "Yes, it is you."

The Servant's Love

Rev. J.D. Georlett

Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. 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." 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."

The First Light is Darkened as We Watch Jesus Wash Our Feet

The Invitation to the Table and Prayer

The Words of Institution

The Distribution of Elements

The Communion Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

The Agony of the Soul

Keith Holmes

He came out and went, as was his custom, to the Mount of Olives; and the disciples followed him. When he reached the place, he said to them, "Pray that you may not come into the time of trial." Then he withdrew from them about a stone's throw, knelt down, and prayed, "Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me; yet, not my will but yours be done." Then an angel from heaven appeared to him and gave him strength. In his anguish he prayed more earnestly, and his sweat became like great drops of blood falling down on the ground.

The Unshared Vigil

Rev. J.D. Georlett

They went to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples, "Sit here while I pray." He took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be distressed and agitated. And he said to them, "I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and keep awake." And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. He said, "Abba, Father, for you all things are possible; remove this cup from me; yet, not what I want but what you want." He came and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter, "Simon, are you asleep? Could you not keep awake one hour? Keep awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak." And again he went away and prayed, saying the same word. And once more he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were very heavy; and they did not know what to say to him. He came a third time and said to them, "Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? Enough! The hour has come; the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand."

The Second Light is Darkened as We Remember How Jesus Suffered Alone

***Hymn** *Go to Dark Gethsemane* (Hymn 225)

The Arrest in the Garden

Keith Holmes

While he was still speaking, suddenly a crowd came, and the one called Judas, one of the twelve, was leading them. He approached Jesus to kiss him; but Jesus said to him, "Judas, is it with a kiss that you are betraying the Son of Man?" When those who were around him saw what was coming, they asked, "Lord, should we strike with the sword?" Then one of them struck the slave of the high priest and cut off his right ear. But Jesus said, "No more of this!" And he touched his ear and healed him. Then Jesus said to the chief priests, the officers of the temple police, and the elders who had come for him, "Have you come out with swords and clubs as if I were a bandit? When I was with you day after day in the temple, you did not lay hands on me. But this is your hour, and the power of darkness!"

The Shadow of Denial

Rev. J.D. Georlett

Then they seized him and led him away, bringing him into the high priest's house. But Peter was following at a distance. When they had kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard and sat down together, Peter sat among them. Then a servant girl, seeing him in the firelight, stared at him and said, "This man also was with him." But he denied it, saying, "Woman, I do not know him." A little later someone else, on seeing him said, "You also are one of them." But Peter said, "Man, I am not!" Then about an hour later, still another kept insisting, "Surely this man also was with him; for he is a Galilean." But Peter said, "Man, I do not know what you are talking about!" At that moment, while he was still speaking, the cock crowed. The Lord turned and looked at Peter. Then Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said to him, "Before the cock crows today, you will deny me three times." And Peter went out and wept bitterly."

The Third Light is Darkened as We Remember When We Have Denied the Lord

Hymn *Ah, Holy Jesus (Hymn 231)

Trial and Rejection

Keith Holmes

Now the chief priests and the whole council were looking for testimony against Jesus to put him to death; but they found none, for many gave false testimony against him and their testimony did not agree. Some stood up and gave false testimony against him, saying, "We heard him say, "I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and in three days I will build another, not made with hands." But even on this point their testimony did not agree. Then the High Priest stood up before them and asked Jesus, "Have you no answer? What is it that they testify against you?" But he was silent and did not answer. Again the High Priest asked him, "Are you the Messiah, the Son of the Blessed One?" Jesus said, "I am; and you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of the Mighty One and coming with the clouds of Heaven." Then the High Priest tore his clothes and said, "He has blasphemed! Why do we still need witnesses? You now have heard his blasphemy. What is your verdict?" They answered, "He deserves death!" Then they spat in his face and they struck him; and some slapped him saying, "Prophecy to us, you Messiah! Who is it that struck you?"

The Fourth Light is Darkened as We Love Lies Rather Than the Truth

The Judgment by Pontius Pilate

Rev. J.D. Georlett

Now Jesus stood before the governor; and the governor asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus said, "You say so." But when he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he did not answer. Then Pilate said to him, "Do you not hear how many accusations they make against you?" But he gave him no answer, not even to a single charge, so that the governor was greatly amazed. Now at the festival the governor was accustomed to release a prisoner for the crowd, anyone whom they wanted. At that time they had a notorious prisoner, called Jesus Barabbas. So after they had gathered, Pilate said to them, "Whom do you want me to release for you, Jesus Barabbas or Jesus who is called the Messiah?" For he realized that it was out of jealousy that they had handed him over. While he was sitting on the judgment seat, his wife sent word to him, "Have nothing to do with that innocent man, for today I have suffered a great deal because of a dream about him." Now the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowds to ask for Barabbas and to have Jesus killed. The governor again said to them, "Which of the two do you want me to release for you?" And they said, "Barabbas." Pilate said to them, "Then what should I do with Jesus who is called the Messiah?" All of them said, "Let him be crucified!" Then he asked, "Why, what evil has he done?" But they shouted all the more, "Let him be crucified!" So when Pilate saw that he could do nothing, but rather that a riot was beginning, he took some water and washed his hands before the crowd, saying, "I am innocent of this man's blood; see to it yourselves." Then the people as a whole answered, "His blood be on us and on our children!" So he released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified.

Anthem *O, World I Now Must Leave Thee* (Brahms)

Dr. Wayne Kallstrom

The Fifth Light is Darkened as We Pass Judgment on the Lord

The Shadow of the Cross

Keith Holmes

Then the soldiers led Jesus into the courtyard of the palace and they called together the whole cohort. And they clothed him in a purple cloak; and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on him. And they began saluting him saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!" They struck his head with a reed, spat upon him and knelt down in homage to him. After mocking him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him out to crucify him.

The Sixth Light is Darkened as Jesus Takes our Place

Meditation

"Like No Other"

Rev. J.D. Georlett

Anthem *Faithful Cross* (Pavelchko)

Choir

The Seventh Light is Darkened as Jesus Struggles for Life

The Death of Jesus, the Messiah

Keith Holmes

So they took Jesus; and carrying the Cross by himself, he went out to what is called the Place of the Skull, which in Hebrew is called Golgotha. There they crucified him, and with him two others, on either side, with Jesus between them. And when they had crucified him, they divided his clothes among themselves by casting lots; then they sat down and kept watch over him. From noon on, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. And about three o'clock Jesus cried with a loud voice, "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?" That is, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" Then Jesus cried again with a loud voice and he breathed his last. At that moment, the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. The earth shook, and the rocks were split. Now when the centurion, who stood there in front of Jesus, heard his cry and saw how he had died, he said, "Surely this man was the Son of God!"

The Christ Candle is Darkened as Jesus Dies

Moment of Silence

The Testament of Light

Benedictional Anthem *The Lamb Is Crucified* (Showalter)

Choir

Benediction — *The Word Became Flesh*

Rev. J.D. Georlett

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through Him, and without Him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in Him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen His glory, the glory as of a Father's only Son, full of grace and truth. For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him may not perish but may have eternal life. Amen.

Silent Exit and Offering



Good Friday

A video will be posted online at Noon, Friday, April 15, 2022



Easter Sunday

Join Us for Worship

Easter Sunrise Service – 7 a.m.

Rejoice! Easter Service – 9 a.m.

Traditional Easter Service – 11 a.m.



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