

Fellowship Presbyterian Church

Maundy Thursday Communion Service

April 17, 2025 ~ 7:00 PM

Pastors: Rev. Martin H. Martin and Rev. Andrew Newman
Director of Music: Mr. Steve Lawton
Accompanists: Sheryl Farquhar, organ; Cathy Lawton, piano

Who has believed our message?
And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?
For He grew up before Him like a tender shoot,
And like a root out of parched ground;
He has no stately form or majesty
That we should look upon Him,
Nor appearance that we should be attracted to Him.
He was despised and forsaken of men,
A man of sorrows and acquainted with grief;
And like one from whom men hide their face
He was despised, and we did not esteem Him.

Surely our griefs He Himself bore,
And our sorrows He carried;
Yet we ourselves esteemed Him stricken,
Smitten of God, and afflicted.
But He was pierced through for our transgressions,
He was crushed for our iniquities;
The chastening for our well-being fell upon Him,
And by His scourging we are healed.
All of us like sheep have gone astray,
Each of us has turned to his own way;
But the LORD has caused the iniquity of us all
To fall on Him.

He was oppressed and He was afflicted,
Yet He did not open His mouth;
Like a lamb that is led to slaughter,
And like a sheep that is silent before its shearers,
So He did not open His mouth.
By oppression and judgment He was taken away;
And as for His generation, who considered
That He was cut off out of the land of the living
For the transgression of my people, to whom the stroke was due?
His grave was assigned with wicked men,
Yet He was with a rich man in His death,
Because He had done no violence,
Nor was there any deceit in His mouth.

But the LORD was pleased
To crush Him, putting Him to grief;
If He would render Himself as a guilt offering,
He will see His offspring,
He will prolong His days,
And the good pleasure of the LORD will prosper in His hand.
As a result of the anguish of His soul,
He will see it and be satisfied;
By His knowledge the Righteous One,
My Servant, will justify the many,
As He will bear their iniquities.
Therefore, I will allot Him a portion with the great,
And He will divide the booty with the strong;
Because He poured out Himself to death,
And was numbered with the transgressors;
Yet He Himself bore the sin of many,
And interceded for the transgressors. ~Isaiah 53:1-12

Prelude

Peace Descends; What Wondrous Love Is This!
When I Survey the Wondrous Cross; Jesus Paid It All

Brad Gregory, oboe; Dianne Pinner, violin; Brandon Ironside, violin;
Anna Joiner, viola; Christine Lance, cello

Welcome

Pastor Marty Martin

Call to Worship

Hebrews 12:1-3

Therefore, since we have so great a cloud of witnesses surrounding us, let us also lay aside every encumbrance and the sin which so easily entangles us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.
For consider Him who has endured such hostility by sinners against Himself, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.

Prayer of Invocation

§ Hymn

What Wondrous Love Is This
No. 261

First Lesson

Pastor Andrew Newman
Passion ~ Matthew 26:36-46

Choral Anthem

Could You Not Watch?
Congregation will join the refrain, as directed*

Refrain: Could you not watch? Could you not watch? Could you not watch with Me one hour? Could you not watch? Could you not watch? Could you not watch with Me?

The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak. I soon must drink the bitter cup, the cup of the world’s salvation. (refrain*)

O Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do. The hour is at hand; with swords they come to take Me. (refrain*)

Jerusalem weep not, weep not for yourselves, but weep for your children, yes, weep for your children’s children. (refrain*)

Second Lesson

Elder Craig Bouvier
Betrayal ~ Matthew 26:47-56

§ Hymn

Ah, Holy Jesus, How Hast Thou Offended
No. 248

Third Lesson

Mr. Greg Horsky
Condemnation ~ Matthew 27:11-31

Choral Anthem

Father Forgive
O Father, forgive our sins. We are helpless; we have left Your way.
O Father, forgive our sins. In Your mercy save us! Hear our cry!
On a cross of grief and pain, Jesus suffered for our shame. Such amazing love He showed. What a debt to Him we owe.
Kyrie eleison (O Lord, have mercy)
Christe eleison (O Christ, have mercy)

Fourth Lesson

Elder Tim Taylor
Crucifixion ~ Matthew 27:33-44

§ Hymn

Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted
No. 257

Fifth Lesson

Elder Jeff Wayne, Sr.
Death ~ Matthew 27:45-56

Choral Anthem

God So Loved the World

God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoso believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. They shall have life.

God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved.

Whoever believes is not condemned, but whoever believeth not in the Son of God is condemned to die. God so loved the world.

Homily

Pastor Martin
Top to Bottom ~ Matthew 27:50-54

⁵⁰And Jesus cried out again with a loud voice, and yielded up His spirit. ⁵¹And behold, the veil of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom; and the earth shook and the rocks were split. ⁵²The tombs were opened, and many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised; ⁵³and coming out of the tombs after His resurrection they entered the holy city and appeared to many. ⁵⁴Now the centurion, and those who were with him keeping guard over Jesus, when they saw the earthquake and the things that were happening, became very frightened and said, “Truly this was the Son of God!”

Prayers of Confession and Supplication

Choral Anthem

O Holy Jesus

O holy Jesus, most merciful Redeemer, may I know Thee more clearly, love Thee more dearly, and follow Thee more nearly, day by day. Amen.

Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

Please note: Wine is in the tinted cups; grape juice is in the clear cups; the unleavened bread in the center cups is gluten and dairy free.

§ Hymn

No. 252
When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

§ Benediction

Postlude

§ The congregation will please stand.



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*Our purpose is to glorify the Triune God by
reconciling the lost to Him through faith in Jesus Christ
and equipping the saints to serve Him in every area of life.*

2 Corinthians 5:18-19; Matthew 28:19-20

Easter Sunday, April 20:

♦ **7:30 AM—Sunrise Service followed by breakfast (sign-up in narthex or online)**

Menu: breakfast casseroles, fruit, pastries/ muffins, juice, tea and coffee.

♦ **10:50 AM—Special Instrumental Prelude**

♦ **11:00 AM—Morning Worship**

♦ **6:00 PM—Evening Worship**