

An Uncomfortable Love

“The love to which Jesus points us is more than polite behavior or kind acts or nice words. It does not rely on positive feelings or warm thoughts. Nor does it depend on personal attraction.

The love to which Jesus points us requires an openness, a receptivity, a posture of self-giving towards the other.”

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Assumption Maundy Thursday

Maundy Thursday
April 14, 2022
Trinity United Church of Christ, Berlin
Seven o’clock in the evening.

**We welcome our friends from Zion Lutheran,
Meyersdale as we worship today.**

We Welcome You . . .

*If you are spiritually weary and in search of rest,
if you are mourning and you long for comfort,
if you are struggling and you desire victory,
if you recognize that you are a sinner and need a Savior,
God welcomes you here in the name of Christ.*

*To the stranger in need of fellowship,
to those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,
and to whoever will come,
this congregation opens wide its doors
and welcomes all in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.*

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About Maundy Thursday . . .

On Maundy Thursday the church remembers the last evening Jesus shared with his disciples in the upper room before his arrest and crucifixion. Maundy Thursday marks three key events in Jesus' last week: his washing of his disciples' feet, his institution of the Lord's Supper, and his new commandment to love one another. This service begins the Triduum, the three-day period from sunset on Thursday to sunset on Easter Day.

The name "Maundy Thursday" comes from the Latin *mandatum novum*, referring to the "new commandment" Jesus taught his disciples (John 13:34). In other words, this is "new commandment Thursday." Maundy Thursday worship naturally features the Lord's Supper and, in some traditions, an act of foot washing or another sign of mutual love and dedication.

We invite all those who confess Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior and are baptized in the Triune God – Father, Son & Holy Spirit to this His Table. The bread and cup will be passed in the pews and we receive as directed by the pastor.

THE BODY OF CHRIST GATHERS

*The * invites those who are able to stand.*

*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 his 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.*

Music Of Preparation

Gifts of Finest Wheat – arr. Charles Callahan

***Praise**

How Beautiful – Paris

Call To Confession

People of God, we gather to meet our Savior. We must come with humility and honesty to meet our Lord. Let us then confess our sins to God.

Songs Of Confession

Change my heart oh God. Make it ever true.

Change my heart oh God. May I be like You.

You are the potter. I am the clay.

Mold me and make me. This is what I pray.

Change my heart oh God. Make it ever true.

Change my heart oh God. May I be like You.

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Corporate Confession And Silence

Merciful God, we have not loved you
with all our heart and mind and strength and soul.
[Silence]

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

We have not loved our neighbors as you have taught us.

[Silence]

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

We are indifferent to the saving grace of your Word and life.

[Silence]

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

A Word of Pardon

But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. [Romans 5:8]

Therefore, people of God, we are assured that our sins are forgiven, that we are brought to new life in Christ Jesus our Lord. Thanks be to God. Amen.

***Gospel Hymn: No. 513**

O, How he Loves You and Me

*The Gospel – John 13:31-35

Jesus said, “Now the Son of Man is glorified and God is glorified in him.³² If God is glorified in him, God will glorify the Son in himself, and will glorify him at once.

³³“My children, I will be with you only a little longer. You will look for me, and just as I told the Jews, so I tell you now: Where I am going, you cannot come.

³⁴“A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. ³⁵By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.”¹

A Word for Maundy Thursday – Dr. Dave

Love, Love, Love!

From A Letter Of The Apostle Paul – 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

²³For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The

¹ *The New International Version*. 2011 (Jn 13:31–35). Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan.

Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread,²⁴ and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, “This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me.”²⁵ In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.”²⁶ For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.

*Communion Hymn: No. 323 ***Let Us Break Bread Together***

***Invitation to the Table**

***Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is

Seraphic Hymn – The Sanctus

Sanctus

Holy, Holy Holy

p *mf* *f*

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Lord God of

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Sa - ba - oth; Heav - en and earth are

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full, are full of the ma-jes-ty of Thy Glo - ry, Ho -

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san - na, ho - san - na, Ho - san-na, in the high - est!

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p *cresc.*-----

Bless-ed is he that com - eth in the name of the

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f *ff* *fff*

Lord, Ho - san - na, ho - san, na, ho - san-na in the

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high - - est.

Pastor: All glory and blessing are yours. . .proclaim the mystery of faith:

All : **Dying, you destroyed our death;
rising, you restored our life.
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

Pastor: Merciful God, pour out your Holy Spirit on these gifts of bread and wine, that in eating and drinking we may be made one with Christ and one another.

All: **Amen.**

Pastor: Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, now and forever.

All: **Amen. Our Father who art in heaven . . .**
—based on 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Sharing Of the Bread and Cup

Prayer Of Thanksgiving

Stripping Of the Church.

*All of the symbols of worship will be removed.
Pastor will chant Psalm 22.*

***Dismissal**

As Christ has loved you, love one another. And may God's peace attend you. Amen.

***Going Forth in Silence**

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Those Remembered in prayer:
God's guidance and protection for Armed Forces.

Shut Ins:

Lew & Barb Berkley, Roy Bucher, Helen Diest, Mary Forespring,
Cynthia Kelly, Lois Krause, Deb Luteri, Lois Saylor.

Healing Concerns:

Sally Altfather, Mark Amyot, Donnie Baxter, Jim Benoit, Carol Boyer, Jim Coughenour, Pam Crooks, Larry Custer, Dana Dawson, John Durst, Ray Engle, Alvin Harbaugh, Mary Jane Harding, Andrea (Shaulis) Harris, Larry Hay, Barry Landis, Holby McClucas, Jennifer Miller, Bob Murphy, Bonnie Murphy, Nancy Schrock, Avis Specht, Kelly Tharp, Adeline Vieregge, Robin Walker, Heather Weighley, Nancy Weighley, Kimberly Kay Roos Zimmerman, Gerald Zorn,
The Family of Janet Gindlesperger

Where You May Find. . .

The Nursery: *is on the lower level for children and their parent. A big screen TV is mounted in the room so that you may watch the service.*

At the Sanctuary Entrances. . .

Large Print Bulletins

Hearing Amplifiers

Recycling Boxes for Bulletins

These Days – Devotional

Assisting in Worship

Sound: Tom Croner (Camera), Tyler Gindlesperger (Board)

Acolytes: Colton Custer and Cohen Clark

Flowers on the altar: to the glory of God by Debbie Boyer

The Whole Congregation in Ministry and Assisted by

Pastor: Rev'd Dr. David A. Williams

Church Secretary: Pam Bush

Financial Secretary: Renee Gindlesperger

Chancel Choir Director Emeritus: Linda Gallick

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How Beautiful

Twila Paris

How beau - ti - ful the hands that
[2.How] beau - ti - ful the heart that
[3.How] beau - ti - ful the ra - diant

4 served the wine and the bread and the
bled, that took all my sin and
Bride who waits for her Groom with His

7 sons of the earth. How beau - ti - ful; the
bore it in - stead. How beau - ti - ful; the
light in her eyes. How beau - ti - ful when

11 feet that walked the long dust - y
ten - der eyes that chose to for -
hum - ble hearts give the fruit of pure

14 roads and the hill to the cross. How
give and nev - er de - spise.
lives so that oth - ers may live.

17 beau - ti - ful, how beau - ti - ful

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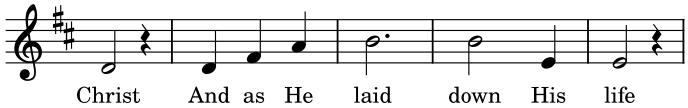
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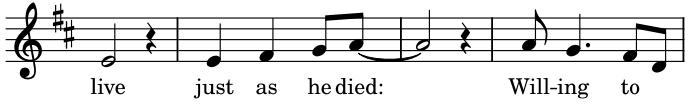
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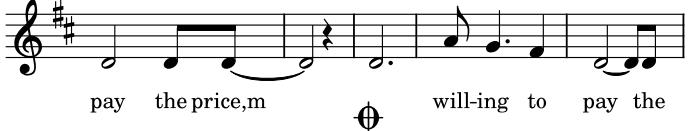
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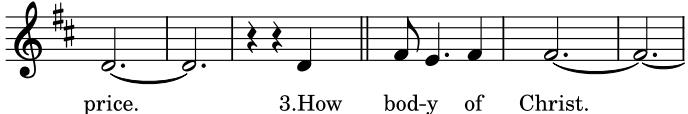
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3.How bod-y of Christ.

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4. How beau - ti - ful the

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feet that bring the sound of good

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news and the love of the King. How

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beau - ti - ful the hands that serve the

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wine and the bread and the sons of the

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earth. How beau - ti - ful, how

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beau - ti - ful, how beau - ti - ful

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is the bod-y of Christ.