

MAUNDY THURSDAY COMMUNION SERVICE

Maundy Thursday: The Thursday of Holy Week derives its name from the command Christ gave His followers to love one another (John 13:34) and “to wash” (Latin *mando*), referring to Christ’s washing the feet of the apostles.

As the remembrance of our Lord’s institution of the Last Supper, Maundy Thursday is almost universally celebrated with the Lord’s Table.

Tenebrae, from the Latin meaning “shadows,” refers to the gathering of shadows during the Passion of our Lord. Scripture reveals the fulfillment of prophecy as the Lamb of God, the Son of Man, becomes the final sacrifice for our sins.

The **shofar**, an instrument usually made from the horn of a ram, was typically blown during important occasions in the Jewish year. During Passover, the shofar would blast from the temple pinnacle to announce the sacrifice of the lamb. When Jesus died at the ninth hour (3 p.m.), His death would have coincided with the evening Passover sacrifice. Amidst the veil of darkness and the torn veil of the temple, the loud blast of the shofar, according to tradition, would have also rung out: the prophetic significance sounding forth—
Jesus Christ was the perfect and final atoning sacrifice, the Lamb of God.



ORDER OF WORSHIP

April 6, 2023

7:00 p.m.

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 giveth us a pledge of life eternal; the same, Thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who now liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

The Prelude “Allegro” from *Concerto for Oboe and Violin in C Minor* J. S. Bach
Jacob Cortez, violin • Andrew Blanke, oboe • Chamber Orchestra

*Call to Worship

The Rev. Mark Davis

Minister: Come, let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

Hebrews 12.2

People: For in Him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through Him to reconcile to Himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of His cross.

Colossians 1.19-20

*Hymn

“My Jesus, I Love Thee”

CARITAS



1. My Je - sus, I love Thee, I know Thou art mine;
2. I love Thee be - cause thou hast first lov - ed me,
3. I'll love Thee in life, I will love Thee in death;
4. In man - sions of glo - ry and end - less de - light,



for Thee all the fol - lies of sin I re - sign.
and pur - chased my par - don on Cal - va - ry's tree.
and praise Thee as long as Thou lend - est me breath;
I'll ev - er a - dore Thee in heav - en so bright;



My gra - cious Re - deem - mer, my Sav - ior art Thou; ___
I love Thee for wear - ing the thorns on Thy brow; ___
and say when the death - dew lies cold on my brow: ___
I'll sing with the glit - ter - ing crown on my brow: ___

Litany of Confession

The Rev. Paul Goebel

Minister: O My people, O My Church,
what have I done to you,
or in what have I offended you?
Answer Me.

I led you forth from the land of Egypt
and delivered you by the waters of baptism,
but you have prepared a cross for your Savior.

People: Lord, have mercy upon us.

Minister: I led you through the desert forty years,
and fed you with manna.
I brought you through tribulation and penitence,
and gave you My body, the bread of heaven,
but you have prepared a cross for your Savior.

People: Lord, have mercy upon us.

Minister: I went before you in a pillar of cloud,
and you have led Me to the judgment hall of Pilate.
I scourged your enemies and brought you to a land of freedom,
but you have scourged, mocked and beaten Me.
I gave you the water of salvation from the rock,
but you have given Me gall and left Me to thirst;
and you have prepared a cross for your Savior.

**People: Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One,
have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy.** from *The Solemn Reproaches*

Silent Confession

Musical Meditation “Surely He Hath Borne Our Grievs”
“And with His Stripes”
from *Messiah*
Chancel Choir • Chamber Orchestra

G. F. Handel

Surely He hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows; He was wounded for our transgressions; He was bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement of our peace was upon Him.

Isaiah 53:4-5

And with His stripes we are healed.

Isaiah 53:5

Assurance of Pardon

Hear what comforting words the Lord says to all who repent and come to Him: “Come to Me, all who are weary and heavy laden, and I will give you rest.” This is a true statement and worthy of full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

Pastoral Prayer

Musical Offering “Behold, the Lamb of God” from *Messiah*
Chancel Choir • Chamber Orchestra

G. F. Handel

Behold the Lamb of God, that taketh away the sin of the world.

John 1.29

***Scripture Reading: John 15.12-17**

“This is My commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.

¹³ *Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends.*

¹⁴ *You are my friends if you do what I command you.*

¹⁵ *No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you.*

¹⁶ *You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in My name, He may give it to you.*

¹⁷ *These things I command you, so that you will love one another.*

Meditation

“The New Commandment”

Mr. Davis

The Service of Communion

***The Great Thanksgiving**

Minister: Lift up your hearts!

People: We lift them up unto the Lord!

Minister: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Minister: It is right and good and a joyful thing, always and everywhere, to give thanks unto You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God.

People: Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify Your glorious Name; evermore praising You, and singing:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
pow'r and might, heav'n and earth are full of Your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

James MacMillan

*The Prayer of Thanksgiving and Blessing

The Words of Institution and Distribution of the Elements

*Please come forward as directed to receive the elements; and partake of each when served, returning to your seat with your empty cup.
(The bread being served is gluten free.)*

During the serving of Communion:

“Erbarm dich mein, o Herre Gott” *J. S. Bach*
“Have Mercy on Me, Lord My God”

“Adagio” from *Concerto for Oboe and Violin in C Minor* *J. S. Bach*
Chamber Orchestra

All Singing:

*Hymn “The Power of the Cross” *Townend/Getty*



1. O, to see the dawn of the dark - est day; Christ
2. O, to see the pain writ - ten on Your face, bear -
3. Now the day - light flees; Now the ground be - neath quakes
4. O, to see my name writ - ten in the wounds, for



on the road to Cal - va - ry. Tried by sin - ful men,
ing the awe - some weight of sin. Ev - 'ry bit - ter thought,
as its Ma - ker bows His head. Cur - tain torn in two,
through Your suf - f'ring I am free. Death is crushed to death,



torn and beat - en, then nailed to a cross of wood. ____
ev - 'ry e - vil deed crown - ing Your blood - stained brow. ____
dead are raised to life— “Fin - ished!” the vic - t'ry cry. ____
life is mine to live, won through Your self - less love! ____

Refrain



(v1-3) This the pow'r ____ of the cross: ____ Christ be - came ____ sin for us. ____
(v4) This the pow'r ____ of the cross: ____ Son of God ____ slain for us. ____



Took the blame, ____ bore the wrath; We stand for - gi - ven at the cross.
What a love, ____ what a cost! We stand for - gi - ven at the cross.

Service of Tenebrae

Tenebrae (“shadows”) signifies the three hours of darkness which covered the earth while Jesus hung on the cross as well as the literal darkness of the tomb.

“Lord, Have Mercy” *Scott/Digesare*
Steve Williamson, *tenor* • Chancel Choir
Stephen Nielson, *piano* • Nathan Davy, *organ*

God in mercy sent His Son to a world by sin undone; Jesus Christ was crucified, 'twas for sinners that He died. Let us pray, Lord have mercy, for we have placed all our hopes in Thee. For our sin, we repent, O Lord; we believe Your holy Word. Have mercy, Lord, we pray, and take all our sins away. Kyrie Christe. Lord have mercy.

The Seven Last Words Spoken from the Cross

Sounding of the Shofar

Silent Reflection

After the candle has been placed on the table, signifying the promise of resurrection and victory of the Light of the World over death and the grave, please depart in silence.

**Please stand if you are able.*

*To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;
to all who mourn and long for comfort;
to all who struggle and desire victory;
to all who sin and need a Savior;
to all who are strangers and want fellowship;
to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;
and to all who will come, this church opens wide her doors
and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.*

**Park Cities Presbyterian Church exists to extend the
transforming presence of the Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ
in Dallas and to the world.**

Good Friday Noon Service

12:00 - 12:35 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Good Friday Concert

“Messiah” by G. F. Handel

7:00 p.m.

*featuring the adult, youth, and children’s choirs of PCPC
with Baroque period instrument orchestra*

No tickets. Admission free. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

Please arrive early to secure a seat.

Easter Sunday Services

8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.

We thank the following musicians for leading in tonight's service:

VIOLIN I

Cynthia Roberts,
concertmaster

Jacob Cortez
Karim Ayala Pool
Annie Barnette
Victoria Klaunig

VIOLIN II

Stephanie Noori
Leah Greenfield Fritz
Polly Klein
Hoigum Park

VIOLA

Jorge Luis ZapataMarin
Daphne Gerling
Brittney Geurink

CELLO

Eric Taeyang Mun
Sydney ZumMallen

BASS

Sandor Ostlund

OBOE

Andrew Blanke
Gaia Saetermoe-Howard

BASSOON

Keith Collins

TRUMPET

Brian Shaw
Caleb Hudson

TIMPANI

Michael McNicholas

HARPSICHORD

Brad Bennight

SHOFAR

James Knabe

CONTRACTOR

Debbie Brooks

Stephen Nielson, *piano*
Nathan Davy, *organ*
J. Marty Cope, *conductor*

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