

# First Presbyterian Evanston

# Maundy Thursday

April 6, 2023 – 7:00 p.m.

## FOCUS

---

### Prelude

### How Beautiful

*(Words & Music: Twila Paris, 1990, arr. Bruce Greer, 1995; CCLI Song #443594)*

*How beautiful the hands that served The wine and the bread and the sons of the earth. How beautiful the feet that walked The long dusty roads and the hill to the cross. How beautiful, how beautiful, How beautiful is the body of Christ.*

*How beautiful the heart that bled, That took all my sin and bore it instead. How beautiful the tender eyes That chose to forgive and never despise. How beautiful, how beautiful, How beautiful is the body of Christ.*

*And as He laid down His life We offer this sacrifice, That we will live just as He died, Willing to pay the price, Willing to pay the price.*

*How beautiful the radiant Bride Who waits for her Groom with His light in her eyes. How beautiful when humble hearts give The fruit of pure lives so that others may live!*

*How beautiful the feet that bring The sound of good news and the love of the King! How beautiful the hands that serve The wine and the bread and the sons of the earth! How beautiful, how beautiful, How beautiful is the body of Christ.*

## EXALT

---

### Welcome

#### Call to Worship – from Psalm 116

Leader: I love the LORD, because he has heard  
my voice and my supplications.

**All: Because he inclined his ear to me,  
therefore I will call on him as long as I live.**

Leader: What shall I return to the LORD  
for all his bounty to me?

**All: I will lift up the cup of salvation  
and call on the name of the LORD,**

Leader: I will pay my vows to the LORD  
in the presence of all his people,

**All: in the courts of the house of the LORD,  
in your midst, O Jerusalem.  
Praise the LORD!**

### Opening Song

#### A New Commandment

*(Words & Music: Aniceto Nazareth & Andrew Moore; CCLI Song #4540290)*

A new commandment I give unto you,  
That you love one another as I have loved you,  
That you love one another as I have loved you.

A new commandment I give unto you,  
That you love one another as I have loved you,  
That you love one another as I have loved you.

By this shall all know that you are My disciples:  
If you have love one for another.

By this shall all know that you are My disciples:  
If you have love one for another.

A new commandment I give unto you,  
That you love one another as I have loved you,  
That you love one another as I have loved you.

You are My friends if you do what I command you.  
Without My help you can do nothing.  
You are My friends if you do what I command you.  
Without My help you can do nothing.

A new commandment I give unto you,  
That you love one another as I have loved you,  
That you love one another as I have loved you.

I am the true vine, My Father is the gard'ner.  
Abide in Me: I will be with you.  
I am the true vine, My Father is the gard'ner.  
Abide in Me: I will be with you.

A new commandment I give unto you,  
That you love one another as I have loved you,  
That you love one another as I have loved you.

A new commandment I give unto you,  
That you love one another as I have loved you,  
That you love one another as I have loved you.

## **Prayer of Confession**

**All: Eternal God,  
whose covenant with us is never broken,  
we confess that we fail to fulfill your will.  
Though you have bound yourself to us,  
we will not bind ourselves to you.  
In Jesus Christ you serve us freely,  
but we refuse your love  
and withhold ourselves from others.  
We do not love you fully  
or love one another as you command.  
In your mercy, forgive and cleanse us.  
Lead us once again to your table  
and unite us to Christ,  
who is the bread of life  
and the vine from which we grow in grace.**  
*(People offer their own silent prayers to the Lord.)*

## **Anthem of Confession**

O Divine Redeemer

*(Words & Music: Charles Gounod, 1818-1893)*

*Ah! Turn me not away, receive me, tho' unworthy, Ah! Turn me not  
away...Hear Thou my cry, behold, Lord, my distress! Answer me from  
thy throne, haste Thee, Lord, to mine aid, Thy pity show in my deep  
anguish! Let not the sword of vengeance smite me, tho' righteous  
thine anger, O Lord! Shield me in danger, O regard me! On Thee, Lord,  
alone, will I call.*

*O divine Redeemer! I pray Thee, grant me pardon, and remember not,  
remember not my sins! Forgive me...*

*Night gathers round my soul; fearful, I cry to Thee; Come to mine aid,  
O Lord! Haste me, Lord, haste to help me! Hear my cry! Save me,  
Lord, in Thy mercy; Come and save me, O Lord!*

*O divine Redeemer...*

*Save, in the day of retribution, from Death shield me, O my God!*

*O divine Redeemer, have mercy!*

*Help me, my Savior!*

**Assurance of Pardon** (1 John 1:9)

Leader: If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Friends, hear the good news of the Gospel:

**All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Amen.**

**Song of Response**

I Love You, Lord

*(Words & Music: Laurie Klein, 1978; CCLI Song #25266)*

I love you, Lord, and I lift my voice  
to worship You, O my soul, rejoice!  
Take joy, my King, in what You hear:  
May it be a sweet, sweet sound in Your ear.

**ENCOUNTER**

---

**Scripture**

John 13:31-38

<sup>31</sup> When he had gone out, Jesus said, “Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. <sup>32</sup> If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. <sup>33</sup> Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You

will look for me, and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.'<sup>34</sup> I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another.<sup>35</sup> By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

<sup>36</sup> Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, where are you going?" Jesus answered, "Where I am going, you cannot follow me now, but you will follow afterward."<sup>37</sup> Peter said to him, "Lord, why can I not follow you now? I will lay down my life for you."<sup>38</sup> Jesus answered, "Will you lay down your life for me? Very truly, I tell you, before the cock crows, you will have denied me three times."

## **Sermon**

Choices: Betrayal, Denial, and Love  
*Rev. Dr. Raymond Hylton, Senior Pastor*

## **RESPOND**

---

### **Passing the Peace of Christ**

### **Sacrament of the Lord's Supper**

*All who are truly sorry for their sins, who sincerely believe in the Lord Jesus as their Savior, and who desire to live in obedience to Him, are invited to take communion.*

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*(Prayer)*...praising your holy name in the unending hymn.

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*(Prayer)*...Great is the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

*(Prayer)*...one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

## **Communion Song**

### Behold the Lamb

*(Words & Music: Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty, Stuart Townend, 2007; CCLI Song #5003372)*

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away  
Slain for us and we remember  
The promise made that all who come in faith  
Find forgiveness at the cross

So we share in this bread of life  
And we drink of his sacrifice  
As a sign of our bonds of peace  
Around the table of the King

The body of our Savior Jesus Christ, torn for you  
Eat and remember  
The wounds that heal, the death that brings us life  
Paid the price to make us one

So we share in this bread of life  
And we drink of His sacrifice  
As a sign of our bonds of love  
Around the table of the King

The blood that cleanses every stain of sin  
Shed for you, drink and remember  
He drained death's cup that all may enter in  
To receive the life of God

So we share in this Bread of Life  
And we drink of His sacrifice  
As a sign of our bonds of grace  
Around the table of the King

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise  
To respond and to remember  
Our call to follow in the steps of Christ  
As His body here on earth

As we share in his suffering  
We proclaim Christ will come again  
And we'll join in the feast of Heaven  
Around the table of the King  
Around the table of the King

## **Prayer after Communion**

### **The Apostles' 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 Spirit, 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence  
He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy  
Spirit; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the



forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

## **Closing Hymn**

### Day is Done

*(Words: James Quinn, SJ, 1969, alt; Music: Welsh Melody "Ar Hyd Y Nos," c. 1784;  
One License Song #84093)*

Day is done, but love unending  
Dwells ever here;  
Shadows fall, but hope, prevailing,  
Calms every fear.  
God, our Maker, none forsaking,  
Take our hearts, of love's own making;  
Watch our sleeping, guard our waking;  
Be always near.

Dark descends, but light unending  
Shines through our night;  
You are with us, ever lending  
New strength to sight.  
One in love, your truth confessing,  
One in hope of heaven's blessing,  
May we see, in love's possessing,  
Love's endless light!

Eyes will close, but you unsleeping  
Watch by our side.  
Death may come; in love's safekeeping  
Still we abide.  
God of love, all evil quelling,  
Sin forgiving, fear dispelling,

Stay with us, our hearts indwelling,  
This eventide.

## **Benediction**

## **Scripture**

Mark 14:26-32

<sup>26</sup> When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. <sup>27</sup>And Jesus said to them, “You will all become deserters; for it is written, ‘I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered.’ <sup>28</sup>But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee.” <sup>29</sup>Peter said to him, “Even though all become deserters, I will not.” <sup>30</sup>Jesus said to him, “Truly I tell you, this day, this very night, before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times.” <sup>31</sup>But he said vehemently, “Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you.” And all of them said the same. <sup>32</sup>They went to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples, “Sit here while I pray.”

## **Postlude**

### Prayer of Gethsemane

*(Words & Music: Lowell Alexander & Tyler Castleton, arr. Robert Sterling)*

*When I have more questions than answers, when the dawn seems distant in  
the darkness, Jesus, let Your spirit speak softly.  
Oh, to feel the trust you felt in that garden where You knelt.  
Let me live the prayer of Gethsemane. Let my life reflect the words formed there  
upon your tongue. Let me live the prayer of Gethsemane:  
“Not my will, but Thine be done.”  
Jesus, give me strength just to listen when the ways of my will drown Your  
whisper. Keep Your voice of wisdom so near me. Oh, to feel the trust You  
felt...Let me live the prayer of Gethsemane...*

*Teach me to reach beyond my human heart. Shape me to be ev'rything You are.  
Let me live the prayer of Gethsemane...*

Today's Worship Service Leaders

**Dr. Rebecca Chu**, Organist, Piano

**Darshaya Oden, Michelle Mariposa, Maximiliano Illanes, Paul Koch**, First Pres Chancel Choir Section Leaders

**Emma Shaw**, Horn; **Tina Laughlin**, Percussion

**Crofton Coleman**, Worship Band Director, Vocals; **Hannah Dixon McConnell**, Dir. of Worship, Vocals

**Rev. Dr. Raymond Hylton**, Senior Pastor, Welcome, Sermon, Communion, Benediction & Concluding Scripture

**Rev. Amanda Golbek**, Minister of Children & Youth, Confession, Communion

**Bill Graddy**, Scripture Reading

**Tom & Laurie Kaeser**, Elders, Communion Servers

**Jim Teague**, Director of Communications, Audio/Video

**Joe Sickles**, Building Team

**Caryl Weinberg**, Dir. of Mission, Usher

**Bob Bastian**, Greeter

**Bob Bastian & Kim Klamm**, Prayer Companions

First Pres Announcements

**Good Friday Service** – Our Good Friday service takes place tomorrow night at 7 p.m. in the First Pres Sanctuary. Please join us as we are guided by the scripture through the arrest, trial, and crucifixion of Jesus Christ, our savior.

**Our Sunday Worship Service** – Join us on Easter Sunday as we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. The service begins at 9:30 a.m., with the Prelude starting at 9:23 a.m.

**Fellowship & Egg Hunt after the Easter Service** – After our Easter service, all in attendance are invited to join us upstairs in Roy Hall for a time of light refreshments and our Egg Hunt.

**First Presbyterian Church**  
1427 Chicago Avenue, Evanston, IL 60201  
(847) 864-1472 Fax:(847) 864-1494  
E-mail address: [info@firstpresevanston.org](mailto:info@firstpresevanston.org)  
[www.firstpresevanston.org](http://www.firstpresevanston.org)

Mission Statement:

***First Presbyterian Church of Evanston  
exists to know Christ and to grow in him  
as we serve and make disciples in Evanston, the Chicago area,  
and the world.***



*This QR code will take you to a web page with links for giving and recording your attendance at today's service via the Connect Card.*

*Texts in today's service are reproduced by permission from the following: Presbyterian Hymnal: Hymns, Psalms, and Spiritual Songs. Copyright 1990. Westminster/John Knox Press, CCLI License #253526. OneLicense #A-804550.*



**Welcome!** We're glad you are here. We ask everyone to complete and return this page. Please tear it off from the stapled bulletin, to slip to the offering basket every week.

Maundy Thursday, April 6, 2023

---

Your Name

---

Family members' names/ages

---

Street Address, City, State, Zip

---

Phone:     Cell         Home

---

Email address

- Send me the weekly E-newsletter
- First time visitor
- Occasional attendee
- Regular attendee/member
- Single
- Married
- Have children at home
- Junior/High School student
- College student/Graduate student

I'm interested in:

- Knowing Jesus better
- I need prayer or support
- I would like to speak with a pastor
- Joining a Small Group
- Joining the Welcome Team
- Worship Music Team
- Sound/AV/Video Team
- Prayer Team
- Becoming a Member
- I need a Stephen Minister
- Communion at home suggested for  
\_\_\_\_\_ (name)

Please pray for:

*(This is shared with pastors & confidential prayer team)*