



Centenary
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Holy Thursday

As the Prelude begins, you are invited to enter a time of prayer and meditation as we prepare to worship God together.

The Prelude

Where Charity and Love Prevail
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Healey Willan

The Call to Worship

Leader: Let us lift up the cup of salvation,
People: And call on the Name of the Lord.
Leader: Let us pay our vows to the Lord,
People: In the presence of all people.

The Hymn No. 549

Where Charity and Love Prevail

ST. PETER

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| 1. Where charity and love prevail,
there God is ever found;
brought here together by Christ's love,
by love are we thus bound. | 4. Let strife among us be unknown,
let all contentions cease;
be Christ the glory that we seek,
be ours his holy peace. |
| 2. With grateful joy and holy fear
true charity we learn;
let us with heart and mind and strength
now love Christ in return. | 5. Let us recall that in our midst
dwells God's begotten Son;
as members of His body joined,
we are in him made one. |
| 3. Forgive us now each other's faults
as we our faults confess;
and let us love each other well
in Christian holiness. | 6. Love can exclude no race or creed
if honored be God's name;
our common life embraces all
whose Maker is the same. |

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The Confession and Pardon

Leader: My sisters and brothers, Christ shows us his love by becoming a humble servant.
Let us draw near to God and confess our sin in the truth of God's Spirit.

[All pray in silence.]

**All: Most merciful God,
we your Church confess that often our spirit has not been that of Christ.
Where we have failed to love one another as he loves us,
where we have pledged loyalty to him with our lips
and then betrayed, deserted, or denied him, forgive us, we pray;
and by your Spirit make us faithful in every time of trial;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Leader: Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ.
But Christ suffered and died for us,
was raised from the dead and ascended on high for us,

and continues to intercede for us.

Believe the good news: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

All: Glory to God. Amen.

The Psalter Pages 837-838 with response

Psalm 116

The first response will be sung by the choir and then by everyone. All other responses will be sung by everyone.

Ps. 116:13

Stanley M. Baker

The cup of sal - va-tion I will raise, and
4
call on the name of the Lord.

- 1 I love you Lord, who has heard
my voice and my supplications,
- 2 and has inclined his ear to me whenever I called.
- 3 **The snares of death encompassed me;**
the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me;
I suffered distress and anguish.
- 4 Then I called on the name of the Lord:
“O Lord, I beseech you, save my life!”

Response

- 5 Gracious is the Lord, and righteous
Our God is merciful.
- 6 **The Lord preserves the simple;**
When I was brought low, the Lord saved me.
- 7 Return, O my soul, to your rest;
For the Lord has dealt bountifully with you.
- 8 For you have delivered my soul from death,
my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling;
- 9 **I walk before the Lord**
in the land of the living.
- 10 I kept my faith, even when I said,
“I am greatly afflicted.”
- 11 **I said in my consternation,**
“All humans are a vain hope.”

Response

- 12 What shall I return to the Lord
for all my benefits?
- 13 **I will lift up the cup of salvation**
and call on the name of the Lord,
- 14 I will pay my vows to the Lord
in the presence of all his people.
- 15 **Precious in the sight of the Lord**
is the death of his faithful ones.
- 16 O Lord, I am your servant;

I am your servant, the child of your handmaid.
You have loosed my bonds.

**17 I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanksgiving
and call on the name of the Lord.**

18 I will pay my vows to the Lord,
in the presence of all his people,

**19 in the courts of the house of the Lord,
in your midst, O Jerusalem
Praise the Lord!**

Response

The Old Testament Lesson

Exodus 12:1-14


Leader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. John.

People: 
Glo-ry to you, Lord Christ.

The Gospel Lesson

John 13:1-17, 31b-35

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: 
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Homily

Grace at the Table

Rev. Tim Gerde

The Affirmation of Faith No. 881

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;

the third day he rose from the dead;

he ascended into heaven,

and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

from thence he shall come to judge the quick 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.

<i>In monte oliveti</i>	On the Mount of Olives
<i>oravit ad Patrem:</i>	he prayed to his Father:
<i>Pater, si fieri potest,</i>	“Father, if it be possible,
<i>transeat a me calix iste.</i>	let this cup pass from me.
<i>Spiritus quidem promptus est,</i>	The spirit indeed is willing,
<i>caro autem infirma.</i>	but the flesh is weak.
<i>Fiat voluntas tua.</i>	Let your will be done.

The first of the nine responses for Matins of Maundy Thursday
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The Great Thanksgiving

(Please be seated after the *Sanctus*, “Holy, holy, holy Lord...”)

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts,

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

The pastor gives thanks appropriate to the occasion, remembering God’s acts of salvation, and concludes:

And so,

with your people on earth

and with all the company of heaven

we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Carlton R. Young

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might.

5 Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

8 san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who

11 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the High - est.

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The Congregation is seated and the pastor continues the thanksgiving. The institution of the Lord’s Supper is recalled. The pastor concludes:

And so,

in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,

we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving

as a holy and living sacrifice,

in union with Christ’s offering for us,

as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Carlton R. Young

Christ has died, Christ is ris - en, Christ will come a - gain!

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The pastor invokes the present work of the Holy Spirit and then praises the Trinity, concluding:

All honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and for ever.

Carlton R. Young

A - men, a - men, a - men.

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The Lord's Prayer No. 895

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come,
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The Giving of the Bread and Cup

The Communion Music

Élévation

Jean Langlais

The Prayer after Communion

The Hymn No. 292

What Wondrous Love Is This

WONDROUS LOVE

1. What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,
what wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul.
2. What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,
what wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this, that caused the Lord of life
to lay aside his crown for my soul, for my soul,
to lay aside his crown for my soul.

3. To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing,
to God and to the Lamb, I will sing;
to God and to the Lamb who is the great I AM,
while millions join the theme I will sing, I will sing;
while millions join the theme I will sing.
4. And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
and when from death I'm free, I'll sing on;
and when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joyful be,
and through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
and through eternity I'll sing on.

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The Benediction

The Postlude

Plein Jeu (Full Stops)

Jean-Adam Guilain

Scriptures

Exodus 12:1-14 ~ The First Passover Instituted

12 The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, ²“This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. ³Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. ⁴If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. ⁵Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. ⁶You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. ⁷They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. ⁸They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. ⁹Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. ¹⁰You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn with fire. ¹¹This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand, and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the Passover of the LORD. ¹²I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, from human to animal, and on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD. ¹³The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt. ¹⁴“This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

John 13: 1-17. 31b-35 ~ Jesus Washes the Disciples' Feet

13 Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. ²The devil had already decided that Judas son of Simon Iscariot would betray Jesus. And during supper ³Jesus,

knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands and that he had come from God and was going to God, ⁴ got up from supper, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. ⁵ 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. ⁶ He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" ⁷ Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." ⁸ Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." ⁹ Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" ¹⁰ 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." ¹¹ For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, "Not all of you are clean."

¹² After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had reclined again, he said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you?" ¹³ You call me Teacher and Lord, and you are right, for that is what I am. ¹⁴ So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. ¹⁵ For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. ¹⁶ Very truly, I tell you, slaves are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. ¹⁷ If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them.

The New Commandment

³¹ When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. ³² If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. ³³ 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.' ³⁴ I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵ By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."