

THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN



CHURCH IN GERMANTOWN

APRIL 01, 2021
MAUNDY THURSDAY

ALIVE,
CELEBRATING
& SERVING
THE LIVING LORD!

*The mission of The First Presbyterian Church in Germantown
is to reflect the loving presence of Christ
as we serve others faithfully, worship God joyfully and share life together
in a diverse and generous community.*

Maundy Thursday

April 01, 2021

6:30 PM

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Rebecca Segers

WE GATHER AS FAMILY IN FAITH

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Many: I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.

One: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Many: We bless you from the house of the Lord.

One: Let us worship God!

EVENING PRAYER

Ever gracious God, we gather this evening hour as friends gathered with Jesus in an upper room long ago. We come bearing the marks of a bitter and broken world. We come with dry and thirsty spirits. Remind us in the breaking of the bread of our need and of your sufficiency. Refresh us and make us whole with the cup of forgiveness even as we are apart. Draw us nearer to each other in mutual service and closer to you in the covenant of faithfulness and thanksgiving. As the night advances, deepen in us a sense of your steadfast love for us in Jesus Christ, our friend and redeemer.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hymn 94: *An Upper Room Did Our Lord People*

O WALY WALY

An upper room did our Lord prepare for those he loved until the end: and his disciples still gather there to celebrate their risen friend.

A lasting gift Jesus gave his own: to share his bread, his loving cup. Whatever burdens may bow us down, he by his cross shall lift us up.

And after supper he washed their feet, for service, too, is sacrament. In Christ our joy shall be made complete: sent out to serve, as he was sent.

No end there is! We depart in peace. He loves beyond our uttermost: in every room in our Father's house Christ will be there, as Lord and Host.

READING FROM SCRIPTURE

BLESSING BEFORE SUPPER

WE SHARE SUPPER TOGETHER

We each enjoy the meals we have prepared separately together. There is opportunity for discussion and conversation verbally and via the chat feature.

MEDITATION ON FAITH

FAMILY DISCUSSION IN BREAKOUT ROOMS

WE STRIP THE TABLES

After supper together, the mood of the evening shifts dramatically from a light casual fellowship to a grave

solemnity, foreboding events that follow supper, continue through the night and culminate the next day at Jesus' crucifixion and the disciples' abandonment of their Master. Please clear your respective tables of all bowls, utensils, tablecloths - everything. We enter this part of the service with tables and hearts bared before the Lord except for the elements of the Lord's Supper.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - '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 Ghost, 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 sitteth on 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 Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

THE INVITATION

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE SHARING OF THE ELEMENTS

MUSICAL MEDITATION

Let us Break Bread Together Trad. Spiritual

arr. Richard Walters

Let us break bread together on our knees.

Let us break bread together on our knees.

Refrain:

When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord have mercy on me.

Let us drink wine together on our knees.

Let us drink wine together on our knees. [Refrain]

Let us praise God together on our knees.

Let us praise God together on our knees. [Refrain]

Rachael Lipson, Soprano

THE PRAYER AFTER SUPPER

A READING OF PSALM 22

Susan MacDonald, representing the Worship Committee will read the Psalm. Psalm 22 opens with the words that Jesus cried out from the cross and builds toward the coming of the kingdom of God.

WE DEPART IN PEACE

Brothers and sisters, remember this night. Remember the fellowship of the table; the broken bread and the shared cup. Go into this night remembering and celebrating Christ's presence among us. Go in peace! **Amen.**



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