

# NewLife **Irvine**

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## Welcome

We are glad that you've joined us for this Maundy Thursday worship service!

During Holy Week, on Thursday evening, Jesus celebrated the Passover with his disciples. While partaking of his last supper he famously used the meal to explain his sacrificial death on the cross. As they ate bread and wine he said, "This is my body." And, "This is the blood of the covenant which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins."

Having given of himself in love, Jesus urged his disciples, "A new commandant I give to you, that you love one another, just as I have loved you..." Maundy derives from the Latin word for commandment. Each year, on the Thursday of Holy Week, the church gathers to remember God's love for us in Christ, as well as his commandment that we love one another.

Tonight, after singing, silence, and a short meditation on a passage of scripture, we will take the Lord's Supper, prayerfully and seated at tables. For many this is one of the most powerful and rich communion experiences of the year.

At the conclusion of the service the communion tables are ceremonially stripped and we leave in silence and darkness. Symbolically this darkness and silence is broken with the shout of "He is risen!" at the opening of our Easter worship the following Sunday.

Grace and Peace,

Josh Hahne Senior Pastor

Redeemer Presbyterian Church



Maundy Thursday

MARCH 28, 2024

Before the service, there is a time for prayer and reflection. Please remember to silence cell phones.

## WELCOME

### REFLECTION

"Here is the source of every sacrament, The all-transforming presence of the Lord, Replenishing our every element

Remaking us in his creative Word. For here the earth herself gives bread and wine,

The air delights to bear his Spirit's speech,

The fire dances where the candles shine,

The waters cleanse us with His gentle touch.

And here He shows the full extent of love

To us whose love is always incomplete, In vain we search the heavens high above,

The God of love is kneeling at our feet.

Though we betray Him, though it is the night.

He meets us here and loves us into light."

- Malcolm Guite, Sonnet for Maundy Thursday

#### CALENDAR

ADVENT CHRISTMAS EPIPHANY

LENT

EASTER PENTECOST

"A journey, a pilgrimage! Yet, as we begin it, as we make the first step into the 'bright sadness' of Lent, we see far, far away - the destination. It is the joy of Easter, it is the entrance into the glory of the Kingdom."

- Alexander Schmemann. The death and resurrection of Jesus Christ are at the heart of the Christian gospel, and Good Friday and Easter are two of the most significant celebrations of the Christian year. Lent is a season

of preparation and repentance during which we anticipate Good Friday and Easter. Just as we carefully prepare

for big events in our personal lives... Lent invites us to make our hearts ready for remembering Jesus' passion and celebrating Jesus' resurrection (From The Worship Sourcebook).

## Calling

Please stand.

## **CALL TO WORSHIP - FROM PSALM 116**

In the call
to worship
God begins
the dialogue
that occurs in
worship and
graciously
invites his
people to draw
near to him.

Bold text is read together by the

congregation.

Plain text is read by the leader.

Minister: This is the day that Christ, the Lamb of God, gave himself into the hands of those who would slay him. This is the day that Christ gathered with his disciples in the Upper Room. This is the day that 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. Taste and see that the Lord is good.

People: Happy are all who take refuge in him.

Minister: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People: His mercy endures forever.

Minister: I love the LORD, because he has heard my voice and my pleas for mercy.

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

Minister: What shall I render to the LORD for all his benefits to me?

People: I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD.

Minister: I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call on the name of the LORD.

People: Amen.

## **PASTORAL PRAYER**

Minister: Almighty Father, whose dear Son, on the night before he suffered, instituted the Sacrament of his Body and Blood: Mercifully grant that we may thankfully receive the same in remembrance of Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord who in these holy mysteries gives us a pledge of eternal life; and who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end.

People: Amen.

## **HYMNS OF LAMENT & PRAISE**

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing
WORDS: ROBERT ROBINSON; MUSIC: ASHAEL NETTLETON

Come Thou fount of every blessing
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace
Streams of mercy never ceasing
Call for songs of loudest praise
Teach me some melodious sonnet
Sung by flaming tongues above
Praise the mount I'm fixed upon it
Mount of God's unchanging love

Here I raise my Ebenezer
Hither by thy help I'm come
And I hope by thy good pleasure
Safely to arrive at home
Jesus sought me when a stranger
Wandering from the fold of God
Here to rescue me from danger
Interposed His precious blood

O to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be
Let that grace now like a fetter
Bind my wandering heart to Thee
Prone to wander Lord I feel it
Prone to leave the God I love
Here's my heart O take and seal it
Seal it for Thy courts above

## Psalm 130 (From Depths of Woe) WORDS BY MARTIN LUTHER: MUSIC BY CHRISTOPHER MINER

From depths of woe I raise to Thee,
The voice of lamentation;
Lord, turn a gracious ear to me
And hear my supplication;
If thou iniquities dost mark,
Our secret sins and misdeeds dark,
O who shall stand before thee
O who shall stand before thee

To wash away the crimson stain,
Grace, grace alone availeth
Our works, alas are all in vain;
In much the best life faileth;
No man can glory in thy sight,
All must alike confess thy might,
And live alone by mercy
And live alone by mercy

Therefore my trust is in the Lord,
And not in mine own merit;
On Him my soul shall rest,
His word upholds my fainting spirit;
His promised mercy is my fort,
My comfort and my sweet support;
I wait for it with patience
I wait for it with patience

Though great our sins and sore our woes
His grace much more aboundeth,
His helping love no limit knows,
Our utmost need it soundeth;
Our Shepherd good and true is He,
Who will at last His Israel free
For all their sin and sorrow
For all their sin and sorrow

## Constitution

Please be seated.

### OLD TESTAMENT READING

Exodus 12:1-4, 11-14

Prayer Requests?

Let us know how we can pray for you.

Fill out the Prayer Request form on our church app or website by scanning the OR Code.



<sup>1</sup> The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, <sup>2</sup> "This month shall be for you the beginning of months. It shall be the first month of the year for you. <sup>3</sup> Tell all the congregation of Israel that on the tenth day of this month every man shall take a lamb according to their fathers' houses, a lamb for a household. <sup>4</sup> And if the household is too small for a lamb, then he and his nearest neighbor shall take according to the number of persons; according to what each can eat you shall make your count for the lamb.

<sup>11</sup> In this manner you shall eat it: with your belt fastened, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand. And you shall eat it in haste. It is the LORD's Passover. <sup>12</sup> For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD. <sup>13</sup> The blood shall be a sign for you, on the houses where you are. And when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague will befall you to destroy you, when I strike the land of Egypt.

<sup>14</sup> "This day shall be for you a memorial day, and you shall keep it as a feast to the LORD; throughout your generations, as a statute forever, you shall keep it as a feast.

Reader: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.** 

### **EPISTLE READING**

### 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

<sup>23</sup> For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, <sup>24</sup> 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." <sup>25</sup> In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." <sup>26</sup> For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Reader: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.** 

### GOSPEL READING

## John 13:1-10, 12-15, 17, 31-35

¹ Now before the Feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart out of this world to the Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. ² During supper, when the devil had already put it into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him, ³ Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going back to God, ⁴ rose from supper. He laid aside his outer garments, and taking a towel, tied it around his waist. ⁵ Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was wrapped around him. ⁶ He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, do you wash my feet?" ¹ Jesus answered him, "What I am doing you do not understand now, but afterward you will understand." ⁶ Peter said to him, "You shall never wash my feet." Jesus answered him, "If I do not wash you, you have no share with me." ९ Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" ¹ Jesus said to him, "The one who has bathed does not need to wash, except for his feet, but is completely clean. And you are clean, but not every one of you."

<sup>12</sup> When he had washed their feet and put on his outer garments and resumed his place, he said to them, "Do you understand what I have done to you? <sup>13</sup> You call me Teacher and Lord, and you are right, for so I am. <sup>14</sup> If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. <sup>15</sup> For I have given you an example, that you also should do just as I have done to you.

<sup>17</sup> If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them.

<sup>31</sup> When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now is the Son of Man glorified, and God is glorified in him. <sup>32</sup> If God is glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself, and glorify him at once. <sup>33</sup> Little children, yet a little while I am with you. You will seek me, and just as I said to the Jews, so now I also say to you, 'Where I am going you cannot come.' <sup>34</sup> A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. <sup>35</sup> By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

Reader: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.** 

The Spirit uses the reading and preaching of God's Word to impart new Spiritual life as well as to nourish and comfort God's people in their faith. **HOMILY** REV. LOUIS SURPRENANT

Maundy Thursday Meditation

## Please stand. **SONG OF RESPONSE**

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded
WORDS: JAMES W. ALEXANDER; MUSIC: JOHANN WALTHER

O sacred Head, now wounded, with grief and shame weighed down; now scornfully surrounded with thorns thine only crown; O sacred Head what glory, What bliss till now was thine. Yet though despised and gory I joy to call thee mine.

What thou, my Lord hast suffered was all for sinners gain; mine, mine was the transgression, but Thine the deadly pain.
Lo here I fall my Savior!
Tis I deserve thy place; look on me with thy favor, vouchsafe to me thy grace.

What language shall I borrow to thank thee dearest friend, for this thy dying sorrow, thy pity without end?

O make me thine forever, and should I fainting be, Lord let me never, never out live my love to thee.

## Communion

Please be seated

### INVITATION TO THE SACRAMENT

Communion
(i.e. the Lord's
Supper or
Eucharist) is
a holy meal
in which we
remember Jesus'
life, death, and
resurrection. In
the sacrament,
God comes
near to his
church and we
experience his
grace anew.

### HYMN OF PREPARATION

O God, Will You Restore Us?
WORDS FROM LAMENTATIONS, MUSIC: ISAAC WARDELL

Soloist: O God, will You restore us, and grant us Your salvation?

All: O God, will You restore us, and grant us Your salvation?

Soloist: I will hear what God proclaims
The Lord our God proclaims peace
Kindness and truth shall meet
Justice and peace shall kiss

All: O God, will You restore us, and grant us Your salvation?

Soloist: "Here is the fast I choose –
To loosen the bonds of the oppressed and break their chains
Let righteousness and justice go out before you
Then you will call out and I will hear"

All: O God, will You restore us, and grant us Your salvation?

Soloist: Near indeed is His salvation to those who call on Him He will incline is ear and hear their prayers

Truth shall spring out of the earth
and Justice will rain down from heaven

All: O God, will You restore us, and grant us Your salvation?

Soloist: The Lord will guide you on a righteous path His vindication will shine down forth as the dawn Your people will be called repairers of broken walls making straight the path to proclaim His reign!

All: O God, will You restore us, and grant us Your salvation?

Soloist: O God, will You restore us, and grant us Your salvation?

### PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

Minister: Let us pray:

People: We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord; you ever love to show mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to partake of the body of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his cup, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### **COMMUNION MUSIC**

Were You There?
Bread of the World in Mercy Broken
What Wondrous Love Is This
(MUSIC ON PAGES 11-13)

(Hymns are sung quietly while receiving communion.)

Communion (i.e. the Lord's Supper or Eucharist) is a holy meal in which we remember Jesus' life, death, and resurrection. In the sacrament, God comes near to his church and we experience his grace anew.

Who should participate? We invite everyone who has been made a part of a Christian church by baptism, professes faith in Christ, and endeavors to live for him to join with us in this sacred meal. If this does not describe you, we encourage you not to partake, but instead to use this time to consider the things you have seen and heard, including God's love for humanity as portrayed in this meal. You may come forward to receive prayer (simply cross your arms over your chest as you pass the servers) or, if you prefer, simply remain in your seat.

How should I participate? Instead of coming up in lines, you will come forward when you are ready and sit at one of the tables spread across the sanctuary. Take the time to pray to God. Confess your sin, be assured of your pardon, and be filled with gratitude and joy. Then when you are ready, look up and make eye contact with one of the servers. They will then give you the bread. After that, take further time in prayer and then lift your head again and make eye contact with your server and they will give you the wine. After that you can go back to your seat.

Note: We use bread and red wine, but gluten free wafers (containing organic brown and white rice flour only) and white grape juice are also

Parents: If your children are too young to understand the meaning of this meal please instruct them to cross their arms over their chest. As soon as they are able to appreciate these things in an age appropriate way our leaders would love to meet with them, hear of their faith, and admit them to

available.

## Were You There? NEGRO SPIRITUAL

Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree?
Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree?
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree?

Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb?
Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb?
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb?

## Bread of the World in Mercy Broken WORDS: REGINALD HEBER, 1827 (VERSES); ZAC HICKS, 2006 (ADD'L TEXT), MUSIC: ZAC HICKS, 2006

Bread of the world, in mercy broken
Wine of the soul, in mercy shed
By Whom the words of life were spoken
And in Whose death our sins are dead

Chorus
Have mercy, have mercy
Have mercy on us
Have mercy, have mercy
Have mercy on us

Here is mercy, here is mercy Here is mercy for us Here is mercy, here is mercy Here is mercy for us

So let us come to the feast of Jesus Let us eat of the Bread of Life Let us drink of the wine, His blood To talk and dine with Jesus Christ

Look on the heart by sorrow broken Look on the tears by sinners shed And be Thy feast to us the token That by Thy grace our souls are fed

### Chorus

So let us come to the feast of Jesus Let us eat of the Bread of Life Let us drink of the wine, His blood To talk and dine with Jesus Christ

## What Wondrous Love Is This WORDS AND MUSIC: AMERICAN FOLK HYMN

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.

When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down,
When I was sinking down, sinking down,
When I was sinking down beneath God's righteous frown,
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul, for my soul,
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul.

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.

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 thro' eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
And thro' eternity I'll sing on.

## Please stand. POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Minister: God of unfailing love, in your holy mysteries you have graciously fed us with the body and blood of your dear Son. We pray that we and all who faithfully receive him may grow together in the communion of the body of Christ and finally attain to the glory of the resurrection, through Christ, our Lord. As we are sent out in peace to love you and serve our neighbors, remind us that after we have suffered a little while, you, the God of all grace, who has called us to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish us. To your name be the dominion forever and ever.

People: Amen.

Please be seated. STRIPPING OF THE CHURCH

**DISPERSAL OF THE CONGREGATION IN SILENCE** 

After communion, we strip the Lord's table, blow out the candles, and invite everyone to leave in silent reflection. This has been an ancient practice that the church has done since the seventh century. It is a vivid and dramatic way of showing the desolation, abandonment, and darkness of the long night in the Garden of Gethsemane and what was to follow on cross. It is also a symbolic way of reminding us that Christ was stripped of his power and glory and gave himself into the hands of his captors.

Take the time to sit in the silence and darkness, as the tables are stripped and the room grows darker. Feel the weight of that night in which Jesus was betrayed and prepare for the horror and solemness of Good Friday tomorrow.

The last table to be stripped will be our main communion table. The cross will be left standing, but the chalice will be turned over, symbolizing Jesus' blood being poured out, and the final candle to be blown out will be the Paschal candle, the Christ candle. Once that candle has been blown out and the women have left the room, feel free to leave the room in silence and prepare for the weight of your sorrow to be lifted as we celebrate the glory and joy of the resurrection on Easter morning together.

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