



Maundy Thursday receives its name from the Latin *mandatum novum do vobis*, “A new commandment I give you.”

This new commandment, given by Jesus on the night he washed the disciples’ feet, was “to love one another just as I have loved you.” It is his example of—and our call to—love and service that we remember on Maundy Thursday.

Prelude

Adagio Samuel Barber; arr. William Strickland

Introit :: “Ubi caritas” Dan Locklair

Where charity and love are, God is there. The love of Christ has gathered us into one, let us rejoice in God and be glad. Let us fear and love the living God and from a sincere heart let us love one another and God. Where charity and love are, God is there. Therefore, whensoever we are gathered as one, lest we in mind be divided, let us beware. End all malicious quarrels, let strife go away, and in our midst be only Christ, our God. Where charity and love are, God is there. Together with all the blessed may we see gloriously thy presence, O Christ, our God, a joy which is complete and whole through infinite ages. Amen.

Welcome and Call to Worship

Hymn “An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare”

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.

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Lord Jesus Christ, how well you know our hearts,
and still you love us—you have loved us to the end.
We have denied you, and we have denied our calling to serve one another.
We have betrayed you. And we have betrayed your commandment to love one another.
Pour out your Spirit of grace upon us.
Teach us to love and serve you faithfully and to love and serve one another
by the example you have set for us; in your holy name we pray. Amen.

Declaration of Pardon

The Shadow of Temptation Mark 14:1–11

The Shadow of Betrayal Mark 14:12–25

Solo #: “Grief” William Grant Still

*Weeping angel with pinions trailing and head bowed low in your hands.
Mourning angel with heartstrings wailing for one who in death’s hall stands.
Mourning angel, silence your wailing and raise your head from your hands.
Weeping angel on your pinions trailing the white dove, promise, stands!*

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Communion Solo :: "Agnus Dei" from *Coronation Mass* Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

Lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

Psalm 23 (*recited in unison*)

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures, he leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul; he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil;

for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies;

thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life;

and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

The Shadow of Weakness. Mark 14:26–42

The Shadow of Desertion. Mark 14:43–50, 53–54

Hymn "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died,
my richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ my God;
all the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down;
did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small;
love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

The Shadow of Humiliation Mark 14:55–65
The Shadow of Denial Mark 14:66–72
The Shadow of Judgment Mark 15:1–20
The Shadow of the Cross Mark 15:21–39
Solo # “Were You There” African American spiritual

A NOTE ON HOLY WEEK AND ANTI-SEMITISM

The Passion texts can pose problems for Christian-Jewish relations. For centuries, many Christians blamed “The Jews” for Christ’s death. This interpretation is incorrect, misguided, and dangerous. In fact, crucifixion was solely a Roman form of punishment, one used to frighten subjugated peoples into obeying Roman authority. Tragically, Christians have misused the reading of the Passion to foment violent anti-Semitic pogroms. Anti-Semitism still plagues the world. We read these texts with sensitivity and caution, remembering the cruelties and failures of our past.



During Holy Week, our worship on Maundy Thursday and Holy Saturday—as well as on Easter Sunday—includes the celebration of Communion. We encourage you to have **bread and juice on hand** as we share in the Lord's Supper from our homes.

Our online **Good Friday service** on Friday, April 2 at 7:30 p.m. will include the pastors sharing short meditations on the Seven Last Words of Christ.

The **Easter Vigil** on Saturday, April 3 will take place via Zoom at 8:00 p.m. and will include the celebration of Communion. For the vigil we invite you to have on hand a candle, a noisemaker, a small bowl of water, and bread and juice (for details, see www.fourthchurch.org/lent-easter).

The vigil will take place only via Zoom; for the link, sign up at www.bit.ly/eastervigil21

Our **festive Easter service online** will include Communion as well as the joyous music of brass and organ, handbells and jazz, and the hymns of Easter. This online celebration of the resurrection takes place this Sunday, April 4 at 11:00 a.m. We hope you and those you know will not only mark this and the Holy Week dates on your calendars but also **invite others to join us in worship online** as our journey takes us to the cross and eventually the empty tomb!

All services other than the Easter Vigil (*see above*) will be online at [www.bit.ly/FPC worship](http://www.bit.ly/FPC_worship), **Facebook Live** (www.facebook.com/fourthchurch), **our YouTube channel** (www.bit.ly/fpcvideos) and by phone (for those without Internet access) by **calling 888.916.9166** (*toll-free*).

Lenten and Holy Week devotions written by Fourth Church members and staff are available as a **resource for personal meditation and prayer in this season;** brief devotional reflections are also available year-round. You can receive them in your inbox (sign up at www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions) or read them online (www.fourthchurch.org/devotions), via Facebook (www.facebook.com/fourthchurch), or on Twitter (www.twitter.com/fourthchicago).

On Wednesday mornings at 9:30 a.m. we gather for **Morning Prayer via Zoom**. Email Carol Allerton (callerton@fourthchurch.org) for Zoom details. * **If you have a prayer request**, Dave Handley (dhandley@fourthchurch.org) is receiving these requests as part of our Morning Prayer and Deacon Prayer Ministries.

If you are interested in learning about **becoming a member of Fourth Church**, we invite you to join us online for a one-session Inquirers' Class next Sunday, April 11 at 9:00 a.m. To register for this class (*required for membership*) and discover more about Fourth Church and the Presbyterian Church (USA), sign up online at www.bit.ly/inquirer0421 to receive Zoom details.

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For the foreseeable future we are gathering online for **livestream-only worship**. In addition to streaming our weekly online Sunday morning service at 11:00 a.m. at www.bit.ly/FPCworship (where the service is available throughout the week), our Sunday service is available via **Facebook Live** (facebook.com/fourthchurch) and **YouTube** (www.bit.ly/fpcvideos) at 11:00 a.m. on Sundays. * Those without Internet access are invited to **listen to the service live via phone by calling 888.916.9166 (toll-free)** at the time of the service (*the prelude begins around 10:45 a.m.*). * During the week we make the service and sermon available via **podcast on iTunes and Spotify** (www.bit.ly/FPCpodcast); you can also receive our sermons **by email** (www.bit.ly/fpcsermons).

Those looking for personal support who would like to explore options for teletherapy are encouraged to call our Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being at 312.787.2729, ext. 2260. * If you would like to have a **one-time phone conversation with a Stephen Minister or arrange for ongoing talks**, please leave a confidential message at 312.573.3365. * **If you would like to talk to a pastor**, please call the church (312.787.4570).

Watch our **website** (www.fourthchurch.org) and follow us on **Facebook** (facebook.com/fourthchurch) and **Instagram** (instagram.com/fourthchurch) for resources and ways to connect. Online events—from **Bible studies** to **Sunday School** to **youth groups** to **adult education classes** to **concerts** to **book groups**, and more—are posted on the church calendar at www.fourthchurch.org/calendar

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Worship Notes

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THROUGHOUT HOLY WEEK we also receive the One Great Hour of Sharing offering. This special offering supports the work of Fourth Church Meals Ministry; Chicago Lights Tutoring and Elam Davies Social Service Center; and the work of Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Hunger, and Self-Development of People Programs. To make a One Great Hour of Sharing gift, use the designation “OGHS Lenten Offering” when giving at www.fourthchurch.org/give-online or write it on the memo line of a check made payable to Fourth Presbyterian Church.

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