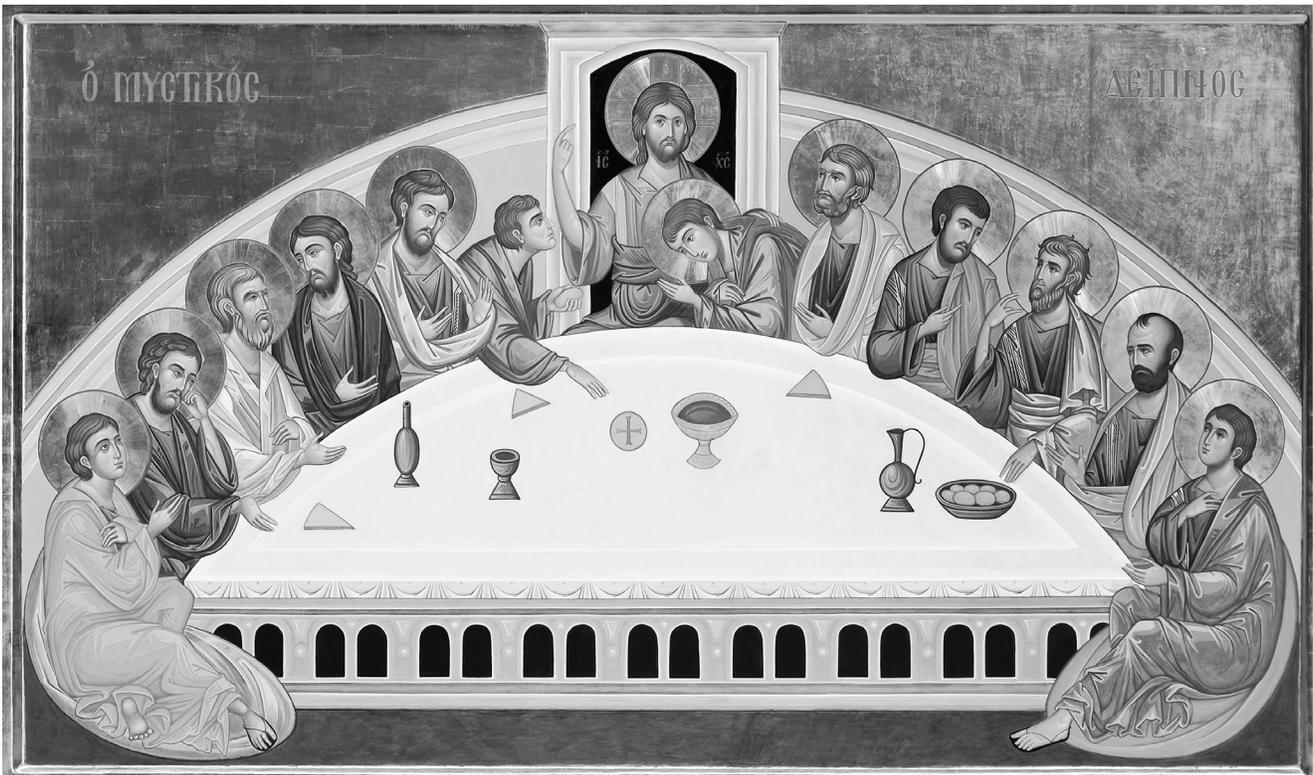




# Fourth Presbyterian Church

*Maundy Thursday*

April 6, 2023 • 7:30 p.m. Service of Tenebrae



## Prelude

Meditation on “Pange Lingua”. . . . . David H. Williams

An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare. . . . . Aaron David Miller

St. John’s Suite. . . . . Dan Locklair

3. “...the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep.”

## Greeting and Opening Prayer



**\*Hymn 203** ..... “Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love”

*Refrain:*

Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love;  
show us how to serve the neighbors we have from you.

Kneels at the feet of his friends,  
silently washes their feet,  
Master who acts as a slave to them. *(Refrain)*

Neighbors are wealthy and poor,  
varied in color and race;  
neighbors are near us and far away. *(Refrain)*

These are the ones we should serve;  
these are the ones we should love;  
all these are neighbors to us and you. *(Refrain)*

Loving puts us on our knees,  
willing to wash others’ feet;  
this is the way we should live like you. *(Refrain)*

**The Shadow of Betrayal** ..... Luke 22:1-12

**Homily**

**The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper**

**Communion Anthem**

“Pange Lingua Variations” ..... Dave Brubeck

*4. The word made flesh transforms bread into flesh by his own word. Wine becomes the blood of Christ and though our senses fail, faith alone suffices and strengthens the pure in heart.*

*5. Let us bow down and do homage to so great a sacrament. The ancient patterns give way to the new observance. Let faith provide affirmation when feeble human senses fail. He who did pass through this world, sowing the seeds of the word, closing his sojourn among us, perfect in order and harmony.*

*6. Praise to the Father, praise to the Son, praise the Spirit in jubilation! All honor, glory, and might, majesty and blessing, we praise in holy communion his living presence eternally. Amen.*

**Psalm 23** (*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 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.

**Prayer after Communion** (*unison*)

God of love, truly we see your glory in Jesus,  
who offered himself in humble service to his disciples even on the night he was betrayed.  
We join the disciples in humble gratitude for these gifts of bread and cup,  
trusting they will strengthen us in love and inspire us to serve you and your people.  
We pray this in Christ, our Lord. Amen.

**\*Hymn 206** . . . . . "This Is the Night"

This is the night, dear friends, the night for weeping, when powers of darkness overcome the day,  
the night the faithful mourn the weight of evil whereby our sins the Son of Man betray.  
This night the traitor, wolf within the sheepfold, betrays himself into his victim's will,  
the Lamb of God for sacrifice preparing: sin brings about the cure for sin's own ill.  
This night Christ institutes his holy supper, blest food and drink for heart and soul and mind;  
this night injustice joins its hand to treason's, and buys the ransom-price of humankind.  
This night the Lord by slaves shall be arrested, he who destroys our slavery to sin;  
accused of crime, to criminals be given, that judgment on the righteous Judge begin.  
O make us sharers, Savior, of your Passion, that we may share your glory that shall be;  
let us pass through these three dark nights of sorrow to Easter's laughter and its liberty.

**The Shadow of Agony of the Spirit** . . . . .Matthew 26:36-44

**Anthem**

“Pange Lingua Variations” . . . . .D. Brubeck

*1. Sing, my tongue, sing! Tell, my tongue, tell! Speak, O my tongue the mystery, glorious his body and precious his blood. Christ, who is King of all people, poured out his life for our ransom.*

*Fruit of a generous womb, speak to my soul with this sacrament.*

*2. To us given, to us born of an inviolate virgin, he who did pass through this world, sowing the seed of the word, closing his sojourn among us, perfect in order and harmony.*

**The Shadow of Arrest** . . . . . Mark 14:43-49

**\*Hymn 218** . . . . . “Ah, Holy Jesus”

Ah, holy Jesus, how hast thou offended,  
that we to judge thee have in hate pretended?  
By foes derided, by thine own rejected,  
O most afflicted!

Who was the guilty? Who brought this upon thee?  
Alas, my treason, Jesus, hath undone thee.  
'Twas I, Lord Jesus, I it was denied thee;  
I crucified thee.

Lo, the Good Shepherd for the sheep is offered;  
the slave hath sinned, and the Son hath suffered;  
for our atonement, while we nothing heeded,  
God interceded.

For me, kind Jesus, was thine incarnation,  
thy mortal sorrow, and thy life's oblation,  
thy death of anguish and thy bitter passion,  
for my salvation.

Therefore, kind Jesus, since I cannot pay thee,  
I do adore thee, and will ever pray thee,  
think on thy pity and thy love unswerving,  
not my deserving.

**The Shadow of Desertion** . . . . . Mark 14:50, 66–72

**\*Hymn 215** . . . . . “What Wondrous Love Is This”

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 through eternity, I’ll sing on, I’ll sing on;  
and through eternity I’ll sing on.

**The Shadow of Accusation** . . . . . Matthew 27:11–18, 21–26

**Anthem**

“Pange Lingua Variations” . . . . . D. Brubeck

*3. Thus on the night of his final repast, as he reclined with his band of twelve, Jesus fulfilled all the law, eating the Passover meal. Then with his own hand gave them bread of his body as a sign.*

**The Shadow of Crucifixion** . . . . . Matthew 27:27–37

**\*Hymn 518** . . . . . “Your Only Son”

Your only Son, no sin to hide, but you have sent him from your side  
to walk upon this guilty sod, and to become the Lamb of God.

*Refrain:* O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the holy Lamb of God!

O wash me in his precious blood, my Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God.

Your gift of love, we crucified; we laughed and scorned him as he died;  
the humble King we named a fraud and sacrificed the Lamb of God. (*Refrain*)

I was so lost, I should have died, but you have brought me to your side  
to be led by your staff and rod, and to be called a lamb of God. (*Refrain*)

**The Shadow of Death** . . . . . Matthew 27:45–54

**Solo** :: “Were You There” . . . . . African American spiritual

*There is no benediction this day.  
Our watch continues into the night to the cross of Good Friday,  
the limbo of Holy Saturday, and the miracle of the empty tomb.  
Please depart in silence.*

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A NOTE ON HOLY WEEK AND ANTISEMITISM

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 antisemitic pogroms. Antisemitism still plagues the world. We read these texts with sensitivity and caution, remembering the cruelties and failures of our past.

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**We are glad to be worshipping with you today** and hope you will explore the many opportunities for learning, serving, and community building at Fourth Church!

- ✳ Inspired by the radical hospitality of Jesus Christ, **we welcome everyone, without exception, into the life of this congregation.**
- ✳ We invite you to join us at this intersection of faith and life as we share God's grace with one another and the world through worship and ministries of healing, reconciliation, and justice.
- ✳ **For ways to connect with one another and Fourth Church,** whether in person or online, as well as for various resources, please visit our website ([fourthchurch.org](http://fourthchurch.org)).
- ✳ **Events are posted on our church calendar,** accessible from our website's home page and at [fourthchurch.org/calendar](http://fourthchurch.org/calendar)



**Tomorrow we will observe Good Friday** with a Good Friday service at 12:10 p.m. in the Sanctuary; a 5:30 p.m. program in Buchanan Chapel for children and families; and a 7:30 p.m. Choral Service, which will conclude with the tolling of the bells thirty-three times, one for each year of Jesus' life on earth. The 7:30 p.m. choral service will be livestreamed on YouTube ([www.bit.ly/fpcvideos](http://www.bit.ly/fpcvideos)). ✳ **On Saturday we will hold an Easter Vigil** at 7:00 p.m. (*in person only*). Beginning with kindling a fire in the courtyard, we will move into the Sanctuary, where we will hear readings that cover the story of salvation, from creation through redemption, and join in sacred song.



We hope you will join us on **Easter Sunday** for our joyous celebration of the resurrection! We will gather for four services: **6:30 a.m. Sunrise Service** with Communion at Oak Street Beach; **9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Easter services** in the Sanctuary; and **4:00 p.m. Easter Jazz at Four** with Communion in Buchanan Chapel. **The 9:00 a.m. Easter service will be livestreamed** on YouTube ([www.bit.ly/fpcvideos](http://www.bit.ly/fpcvideos)), with the prelude beginning at approximately 8:45 a.m. and the service available for viewing anytime after that. **Those without Internet access** are invited to listen via phone by calling 888.916.9166 at the time of the service. ✳ An **Easter program for children** will be held in the Gratz Center at 9:00 a.m. on Easter; nursery care will be available between 8:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. ✳ **For more about observing Holy Week and Easter** with Fourth Church, please see [www.fourthchurch.org/lent-easter](http://www.fourthchurch.org/lent-easter), where you can also find links to our **Holy Week and Easter devotions** as well as to our **Lenten and Holy Week "Rhythm and Word" videos**.

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## The Music Tonight

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The Chancel Choir

Sarah van der Ploeg, Soloist

Michael Rees, Organ Scholar

John W. W. Sherer, Organist and Director of Music

## Worship Notes

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MAUNDY THURSDAY RECEIVES ITS NAME from the Latin *mandatum novum do vobis*, meaning “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.

WE ARE RECEIVING THE ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING throughout Holy Week. Gifts to this offering support the work of Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Hunger, and Self-Development of People programs; Fourth Church Meals Ministry; and Chicago Lights Tutoring and Social Service Center. To make a “One Great Hour of Sharing” gift, you can use the envelopes found in the pew racks (*and then place the envelope in one of the offering boxes at the exits*), designate “One Great Hour of Sharing” (OGHS) when giving via Venmo or at [fourthchurch.org/give](http://fourthchurch.org/give), or write OGHS on the memo line of a check made payable to Fourth Presbyterian Church.

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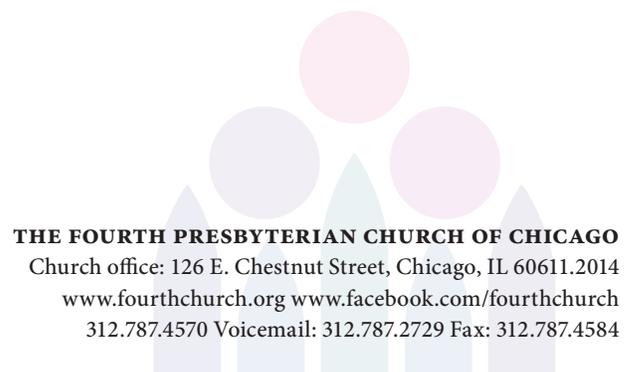
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