



UNION CHURCH OF POCANTICO HILLS

APRIL 1, 2021

MAUNDY THURSDAY

VIRTUAL WORSHIP AT 7:00 P.M.

*Words spoken or sung by the congregation are noted in **bold** type.*

PRELUDE FOR ORGAN

Chorale-Prelude on *Herzliebster Jesu* ("Ah, Holy Jesus")

Richard Coffey, *Organist*
Helmut Walcha (1907-1991)

WELCOME

OPENING SENTENCES

Jesus said: I give you a new commandment,
that you love one another.
**Just as Christ has loved us,
let us love one another.**

Beloved people of God:
This is the day
when Christ, our Passover Lamb,
surrendered himself to those who would kill him,
setting us free from sin and death forever.
This is the day
when Christ, our Teacher and Lord,
knelt down to wash the disciples' feet,
showing us how to love and serve one another.
This is the day
when Christ, the bread of heaven,
shared a holy meal with his followers,
offering a feast of abundant life and grace for all.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

**O God, your love is embodied in Jesus Christ,
who washed disciples' feet on the night of his betrayal.
Wash us from the stain of sin,
so that, in hours of danger, we may not fail,
but follow your Son through every trial,
and praise him always as Lord and Christ,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. Amen.**

*HYMN

Ah, Holy Jesus

HERZLIEBSTER JESU 11.11.11.5

Johann Heermann, 1630
Trans. Robert Bridges, 1899
Alt. *Psalter Hymnal*, 1987

Johann Crüger, 1640

1. Ah, ho - ly Je - sus, how have You of - fend - ed,
2. Who was the guilt - y? Who brought this up - on You?
3. For me, dear Je - sus, was Your in - car - na - tion,
4. There - fore, dear Je - sus, since I can - not pay You,

That mor-tal judg-ment has on You de - scend - ed? By foes de -
It is my trea - son, Lord, that has un - done You. 'Twas I, Lord
Your mor-tal sor - row, and Your life's ob - la - tion, Your death of
I do a - dore You, and will ev - er praise You, Think on Your

rid - ed, by Your own re - ject - ed, O most af - flict - ed!
Je - sus, I it was de - nied You; I cru - ci - fied You.
an - guish and Your bit - ter pas - sion, For my sal - va - tion.
pit - y and Your love un - swerv - ing, Not my de - serv - ing.

CALL TO CONFESSION

In the name of Christ, I urge you:
Be reconciled to God.
Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Eternal God, whose covenant with us is never broken,
we confess that we fail to fulfill your will.
Though you have bound yourself to us,
we will not bind ourselves to you.
In Jesus Christ you serve us freely,
but we refuse your love
and withhold ourselves from others.
We do not love you fully
or love one another as you command.
In your mercy, forgive and cleanse us.
Lead us once again to your table
and unite us to Christ, who is the bread of life
and the vine from which we grow in grace.**

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Listen, the time has come at last.
Look, now is the day of salvation!
I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ,
we are forgiven!
Thanks be to God.

SOLO

“An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare”

Text (1973): Fred Pratt Green
Setting (*O Waly Waly*): John Weaver

Susan Angst, mezzo-soprano

*An upper room did our Lord prepare
For those He love 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 ow 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.*

¹When Jesus had finished saying all these things, he said to his disciples, ²“You know that after two days the Passover is coming, and the Son of Man will be handed over to be crucified.” ³Then the chief priests and the elders of the people gathered in the palace of the high priest, who was called Caiaphas, ⁴and they conspired to arrest Jesus by stealth and kill him. ⁵But they said, “Not during the festival, or there may be a riot among the people.”

⁶Now while Jesus was at Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, ⁷a woman came to him with an alabaster jar of very costly ointment, and she poured it on his head as he sat at the table. ⁸But when the disciples saw it, they were angry and said, “Why this waste? ⁹For this ointment could have been sold for a large sum, and the money given to the poor.” ¹⁰But Jesus, aware of this, said to them, “Why do you trouble the woman? She has performed a good service for me. ¹¹For you always have the poor with you, but you will not always have me. ¹²By pouring this ointment on my body she has prepared me for burial. ¹³Truly I tell you, wherever this good news is proclaimed in the whole world, what she has done will be told in remembrance of her.”

¹⁴Then one of the twelve, who was called Judas Iscariot, went to the chief priests ¹⁵and said, “What will you give me if I betray him to you?” They paid him thirty pieces of silver. ¹⁶And from that moment he began to look for an opportunity to betray him.

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¹⁷On the first day of Unleavened Bread the disciples came to Jesus, saying, “Where do you want us to make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?” ¹⁸He said, “Go into the city to a certain man, and say to him, ‘The Teacher says, My time is near; I will keep the Passover at your house with my disciples.’” ¹⁹So the disciples did as Jesus had directed them, and they prepared the Passover meal. ²⁰When it was evening, he took his place with the twelve; ²¹and while they were eating, he said, “Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me.” ²²And they became greatly distressed and began to say to him one after another, “Surely not I, Lord?” ²³He answered, “The one who has dipped his hand into the bowl with me will betray me. ²⁴The Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that one by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that one not to have been born.” ²⁵Judas, who betrayed him, said, “Surely not I, Rabbi?” He replied, “You have said so.”

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²⁶While they were eating, Jesus took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to the disciples, and said, “Take, eat; this is my body.” ²⁷Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you; ²⁸for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. ²⁹I tell you, I will never again drink of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father’s kingdom.”

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DEVOTIONAL MUSIC FOR ORGAN
“Consolation”

Franz Liszt (1811-1886)

SERMON

“The Look of Christ”

Dr. DeGarmo

SOLO

“Humbly I Adore Thee”

Latin Eucharistic Hymn, *Adoro Te*
Plainsong setting: Lloyd Pfautsch

Jonathan Mildner, baritone

*Humbly I adore Thee, Verity unseen,
Who Thy glory hidest 'neath these shadows mean;
Lo, to Thee surrendered, my whole heart is bowed,
Tranced as it beholds Thee,
Shared within the cloud.*

*O memorial wondrous of the Lord's own death:
Living Bread, that givest all Thy creatures breath,
Grant my spirit ever by Thy life may live,
To my taste Thy sweetness never failing give.*

*Jesus, Whom now veiled, I by faith descry,
What my soul doth thirst for, do not, Lord, deny.
That Thy face unveiled, I at last may see,
With the blissful vision blest, my God, of Thee.*

EUCHARIST

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.
The prayer continues...

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

COMMUNION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**We give you thanks, Holy One,
for the body and blood of our Lord,
given with love for the world.
Send us out in your Spirit
to share the good news of salvation
and give ourselves for others;
in the name of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

HYMN (*Stanzas 1-3 only*)

Go to Dark Gethsemane

REDHEAD 76 7.7.7.7.7

James Montgomery, 1820, 1825; alt.

Richard Redhead, 1853

1. Go to dark Geth-se - ma - ne, All who feel the tempt-er's power;
2. Fol-low to the judg-ment hall; View the Lord of life ar-raigned;
3. Cal-vary's mourn-ful moun-tain climb; There, a - dor-ing at His feet,
4. Ear-ly has - ten to the tomb Where they laid His breath-less clay;

Your Re-deem-er's con-flict see, Watch with Him one bit - ter hour;
O the worm-wood and the gall! O the pangs His soul sus-tained!
Mark the mir - a - cle of time, God's own sac - ri - fice com-plete;
All is sol - i - tude and gloom. Who has tak - en Him a - way?

Turn not from His griefs a - way, Learn from Je - sus Christ to pray.
Shun not suf - fering, shame, or loss; Learn from Christ to bear the cross.
"It is fin - ished!" hear Him cry; Learn from Je - sus Christ to die.
Christ is risen! He meets our eyes. Sav - ior, teach us so to rise.

FOURTH READING: Matthew 26:30-35

The Warning

³⁰When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

³¹Then Jesus said to them, "You will all become deserters because of me this night; for it is written, 'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be scattered.'" ³²But after I am raised up, I will go ahead of you to Galilee." ³³Peter said to him, "Though all become deserters because of you, I will never desert you." ³⁴Jesus said to him, "Truly I tell you, this very night, before the cock crows, you will deny me three times." ³⁵Peter said to him, "Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you." And so said all the disciples.

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FIFTH READING: Matthew 26:36-46

The Garden

³⁶Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples, "Sit here while I go over there and pray." ³⁷He took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be grieved and agitated. ³⁸Then he said to them, "I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and stay awake with me." ³⁹And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed, "My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me; yet not what I want but what you want." ⁴⁰Then he came to the disciples and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter, "So, could you not stay awake with me one hour? ⁴¹Stay awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak." ⁴²Again he went away for the second time and prayed, "My Father, if this cannot pass unless I drink it, your will be done." ⁴³Again he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were heavy. ⁴⁴So leaving them again, he went away and prayed for the third time, saying the same words. ⁴⁵Then he came to the disciples and said to them, "Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? See, the hour is at hand, and the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. ⁴⁶Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand."

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SIXTH READING: Matthew 26:47-50

The Betrayal

⁴⁷While he was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; with him was a large crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests and the elders of the people. ⁴⁸Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, "The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him." ⁴⁹At once he came up to Jesus and said, "Greetings, Rabbi!" and kissed him. ⁵⁰Jesus said to him, "Friend, do what you are here to do." Then they came and laid hands on Jesus and arrested him.

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⁵¹Suddenly, one of those with Jesus put his hand on his sword, drew it, and struck the slave of the high priest, cutting off his ear. ⁵²Then Jesus said to him, “Put your sword back into its place; for all who take the sword will perish by the sword. ⁵³Do you think that I cannot appeal to my Father, and he will at once send me more than twelve legions of angels? ⁵⁴But how then would the scriptures be fulfilled, which say it must happen in this way?” ⁵⁵At that hour Jesus said to the crowds, “Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest me as though I were a bandit? Day after day I sat in the temple teaching, and you did not arrest me. ⁵⁶But all this has taken place, so that the scriptures of the prophets may be fulfilled.” Then all the disciples deserted him and fled.

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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.**

ALL DEPART IN SILENCE



THIS WEEK

Friday, April 2

12:00 noon Virtual Worship for Good Friday – contact [Dr. DeGarmo](#) for the links

Sunday, April 4

9:00 a.m. Virtual Worship for Easter Sunday – contact [Dr. DeGarmo](#) for the links