

UNIVERSITY



PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

CHAPEL HILL, NORTH CAROLINA

March 29, 2018
Maundy Thursday
7:30 p.m.

THE GATHERING

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Robert Schreiter

Vulnerability is a capacity so to trust, that one runs the risk of wounds. It does not make wounds desirable, nor does it make them less painful. One is willing to run the risk of wounds because of something more important: the communion of love that engenders trust—that makes the fresh start of forgiveness possible.

THE ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Louis Vierne

Adagio

1870-1937

(from Symphonie pour Orgue III, Op. 28)

*OPENING SENTENCES

Psalm 116:12-19

One: What shall I return to the Lord for all his bounty to me?

**All: I will lift up the cup of salvation
and call on the name of the Lord,**

One: I will pay my vows to the Lord
in the presence of all his people.

**All: Precious in the sight of the Lord
is the death of his faithful ones.**

One: O Lord, I am your servant.

**All: I am your servant, the child of your serving girl.
You have loosed my bonds.**

One: I will offer to you a thanksgiving sacrifice
and call on the name of the Lord.

**All: I will pay my vows to the Lord
in the presence of all his people,
in the courts of the house of the Lord,
in your midst, O Jerusalem.
Praise the Lord!**

CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Holy One,
We do not come easily to this night.
We would rather avoid the pain
and deny our complicity.**

**Feed us, then, upon your love
until we find the courage
to entrust our fear to you.**

**Let us feel the wash of mercy
in every broken place,
until we turn, in joy, to wash the feet of others.**

Silent prayer

*Silent Confession

*Kyrie Eleison

Arr. David N. Johnson

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have
mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

*Assurance of Forgiveness

*The Peace

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

The congregation is invited to exchange the peace of Christ with one another, greeting each other with the words above.

*Response of Praise

(*Hymnal*, 215)

**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 WORD

A MOTET

Ubi Caritas

Maurice Duruflé
1902-1986

Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.	<i>Where charity and love are found, God is there.</i>
Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor.	<i>The love of Christ gathered us into one.</i>
Exsultemus et in ipso jucundemur.	<i>Let us rejoice and be glad in Him.</i>
Timeamus et amemus Deum vivum.	<i>Let us fear and love the living God,</i>
Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero.	<i>and love each other from the depths of</i>
Amen.	<i>our hearts. Amen.</i>

~ Offertory Antiphon for Maundy Thursday

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

John 13:1-35

pp. 107-108

(Children's Bible, p. 1246-1247)

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

“Last Things”

Margaret LaMotte Torrence

*Time is provided following the sermon for a
few moments of personal reflection and prayer.*

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Philippians 2:5-11

**Let the same mind be in us that was in Christ Jesus,
who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,
but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form,
he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death—
even death on a cross.**

**Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name
that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.**

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

Invitation to the Table

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is truly right—and our greatest joy—to give you thanks, O God,
for you are the author of life.

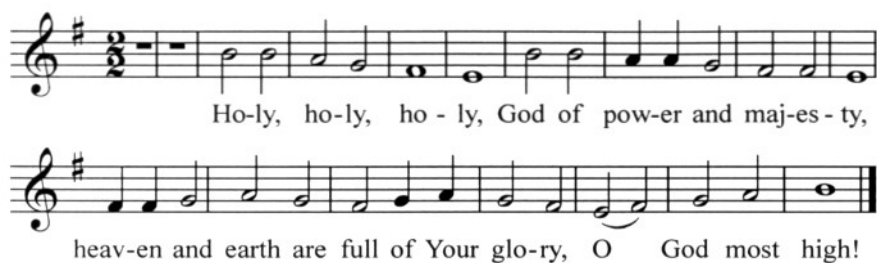
You are love in motion, always seeking and sending your own.

In beginnings beyond our remembering
you sent your voice into the deep, and ordered the universe;
you sent your breath into the dust, and called forth your people.

When we wandered from you
you sent prophets and poets and priests to urge us home.

And in the fullness of time
you sent your own beloved Christ
that we might know the boundless claim of your covenant love.

Therefore we praise you,
joining our voices with heavenly choirs
And all the faithful of every time and place,
who forever sing to the glory of your name:



When you sent Jesus, you sent us your heart:
you tore open the heavens;
you came as a child;
you bore the weight of our fear in your flesh;
you brought life from the grave.

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen,

Christ will come again.

Welcome to the Fellowship of University Presbyterian Church

IN GRATEFUL RESPONSE to the grace of God, this community of Christ's Church gathers regularly for worship, study and discernment, and then disperses to carry the love of Jesus Christ into the community and the world beyond these walls. We invite you to join us on the journey.

Worship Notes

TODAY IS MAUNDY THURSDAY, which receives its name from the "new commandment" (Latin *mandatum*) Jesus gave his disciples on the night of his arrest.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING: On Easter Sunday, April 1, we will be receiving the One Great Hour of Sharing offering. Since 1949, Presbyterians have joined with millions of other Christians through this special offering to share God's love with those in need. This offering helps support the work of Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Self-Development of People program, and the Presbyterian Hunger Program. Please give generously. To learn more, visit www.onegreathourofsharing.org.

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TONIGHT: *Ushers*: Betty and Tom Bouldin. *Communion Servers*: Portia Christensen and Carolyn Karpinos.

AS A COURTESY TO OTHERS, please turn off or silence all cellular phones, pagers, and other electronic devices for the duration of worship.

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS AND HYMNALS and portable hearing devices are available every Sunday in the narthex.

PLEASE DO NOT PARK ON ROBERTSON LANE. It is fine to park in the designated pull-in parking spaces, but the road itself is a fire lane and must be kept clear. Thank you for your understanding.

UPCOMING SERVICES FOR HOLY WEEK

Good Friday

March 30, 7:30 p.m. Worship Service, Service of *Tenebrae*

Easter/Resurrection of the Lord

April 1, 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. Worship Services

One Great Hour of Sharing Offering received

Easter Brunch, 9:45 a.m. (No Sunday School)

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