

The Night of His Betrayal

The night of his betrayal, Christ Jesus took the bread,
And there with friends at table, he blessed it and he said,
"This is my body broken; I offer it to you.
Remember what I've spoken! Remember what I do!"

And then he took the chalice, and taught them one more time;
He said, "Receive the promise — my blood, in table wine.
As often as you do this, remember what I've done."
We eat and drink proclaiming Christ's death until he comes.

He got up from the supper and humbly served his friends;
With basin, towel and water, he showed how love extends.
He could have asked for glory, yet in a servant's place,
He lived the gospel story and showed God's love and grace.

The cup is our salvation, the bread, Lord, comes from you.
The water in the basin reminds us what is true:
Your love is your commandment to those who seek your way.
Now nourish us and send us, so we may serve today.



Maundy Thursday A Service of Tenebrae and The Lord's Supper

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WE GATHER

Prelude

In Deep Humility I Pray

Smith

This Night

Be Still and Know

Rev. Nancy

Calling on God

Opening Prayer

Laraine Wilson

Let us pray together:

Holy One, You who lay a table of blessing before us, you have heard us and have come to us. We lift up the cup of salvation in praise, we break open and share our love. Open us this night to your presence in our gardens of delight and sorrow - in the simple and good enough moments that fill our days. Amen.

Opening Hymn/Song

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HYMN TUNE: LLANGLOFFAN #582

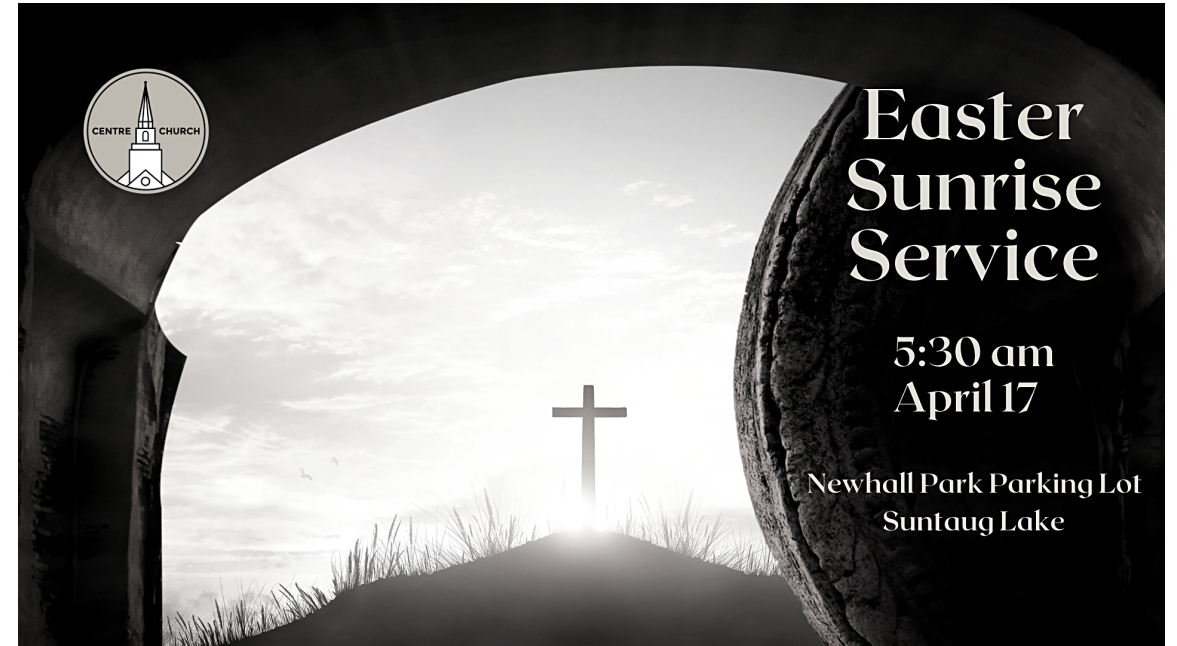
Honest Questions, Compassionate Response

Honest Question

Rev. Nancy

Silent Reflection

*stand as you are able





Our ushers this evening are Ann Decker and Dwight Decker. Our light dimmer is Linda Ladd. Our tech team is Chuck Cotting, Gary Muise, and Roy Sorli.

Worship Notes:

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Good Friday
A Time for Prayer
and Reflection

Drop-in between **12 and 2 pm** for
 † Silent meditation
 † Visual Liturgy and Self-Anointing
 † Stations of the Cross

Worship at 2:00 pm
 Good Friday: Engaging the Passion of Christ and the Environmental Crisis



Compassionate Response

Rev. Nancy

Hear this compassionate word: Love that cannot be quantified reminds us that each and every person is blessed, always, regardless of who we are, how we've failed, or what we've accomplished. Know that already, God is offering us freedom from never feeling good enough for all the blessings of life and faith, inviting us to love and to bless in the same way - indiscriminately, extravagantly.

And know, that despite our sometimes faltering steps,
 in the name of Jesus Christ, you are being forgiven, even now.

All: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Glory to God! Amen.

Anthem

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

Smith

Preparing the Feast

John13: 1-17, 31b-35

Laraine Wilson

Response

L: A Word of God that is still speaking,

P: Thanks be to God.

Communion Hymn

Christ at Table There With Friends

#227

Invitation

Institution of the Lord's Supper

The Communion Prayer

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.

Sharing the Bread and Cup

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

O God, by coming to your table we receive more gifts than we deserve. We give thanks for Jesus Christ, through whom we receive life and in whom we are bound in covenant. Renew us so we may willingly serve as Christ served. Amen.

Tenebrae

Setting the Scene

Were You There

Smith

The First Word

Matthew 26:30-35

Linda Ladd

The Second Word

Matthew 26:36-46

Jeff Law

The Third Word

Matthew 26:47-56

Denise Weaver

The Fourth Word

Matthew 26:57-68

Debbie Cotting

The Fifth Word

Matthew 26:69-75

Lauren Patriquin-Muise

The Sixth Word

Matthew 27:15-23

Kathi Martin

The Seventh Word

Matthew 27:27-31

Larainne Wilson

The Eighth Word

Matthew 27:45-50

Rev. Nancy Rottman

Rev. Nancy extinguishes the Christ candle

Please depart in silence once the lights are raised. Thank you for coming and bearing witness to the fullness of Jesus' story, both the joy and the anguish of the unfathomable LOVE of God.