



First Presbyterian Church Portsmouth, Virginia

Maundy Thursday
Order of Worship
7:00 p.m. April 14, 2022

Prelude

“Tranquilo”
Amanda McCormick, flute

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The Call to Worship

How shall we repay you, Lord, for all your goodness to us?

We will lift up the cup of salvation and call upon the name of the Lord.

We are your servants, Lord, help us to celebrate this sacrifice of thanksgiving.

Help us to fulfill all you intend for us as members of the community of God.

Hymn 836

“Abide With Me”

Corporate Prayer of Confession – Followed by a time of silence

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.

Assurance of God’s Grace

The inestimable mercy of God is not diminished by the wavering strength of our faith nor by our capacity for joy. The mercy of God is poured upon us, faithful and faithless, joyful and joyless alike, that all may come to know the boundless love of God. Friends, believe and accept the good news:

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Choral Anthem

“Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed”
Amanda McCormick, flute

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The Psalter

Psalms 116:1-4, 12-19

I love the LORD, because he has heard my voice and my supplications.

Because he inclined his ear to me, therefore I will call on him as long as I live.

The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me;

I suffered distress and anguish.

Then I called on the name of the LORD: “O LORD, I pray, save my life!”

What shall I return to the LORD for all his bounty to me?

I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD,

I will pay my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people.

Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his faithful ones.

O LORD, I am your servant; I am your servant,

The child of your serving girl. You have loosed my bonds.

I will offer to you a thanksgiving sacrifice and call on the name of the LORD.

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!

The Lessons

I Corinthians 11:23-26 and John 13:1-17, 31b-35

The Word of the Lord;
Thanks be to God.

Message

“Getting Your Hands Dirty”

Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples’ feet and wipe them with a towel.” John 13:4-5

Hymn 203

“Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love”

The Invitation to the Lord’s Table

The Great Prayer of 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.

....Therefore with apostles and prophets, and that great cloud of witnesses who live for you beyond all time and space, we lift our hearts in joyful praise.

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

....Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

....Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

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.

Choral Postlude

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

Stripping the Table

Extinguishing the Final Lenten Candle

Please leave the sanctuary in silence.

Worship Leaders

Rev. Steve Frazier – Covenant Pastor

Billy Ricketts – Pastor for Admin and Mission Outreach

Edna Broadhurst - Director of Music