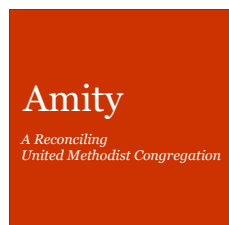




March 28, 2024 ♦ Maundy Thursday

WELCOME TO UNIVERSITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Maundy Thursday, also known as “***Holy Thursday***,” recalls the new commandment (*mandatum novum* in Latin) Jesus gave to his disciples in John 13:34, “that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another.” On this night, Christians commemorate the Passover supper Jesus shared with his disciples before his crucifixion, instituting the Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper. A service of Tenebrae or “darkness” is based on a twelfth-century service with meditation on the passion of Christ. The ancient practice of stripping the Lord’s table and sanctuary following communion is a dramatic way of showing the desolation and abandonment of the long night in Gethsemane and what followed.



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ENTRANCE

Prelude

“Herzlich tut mich verlangen”
Organist ~ Meghan Cox

Johann Sebastian Bach

Greeting

Responsively

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

Christ has prepared a feast of love.

*Hymn 616

“Come, Sinners, to the Gospel Feast”

Come, sinners, to the gospel feast, let every soul be Jesus’ guest.

Ye need not one be left behind, for God hath bid all humankind.

**Do not begin to make excuse; ah! do not you his grace refuse;
your worldly cares and pleasures leave, and take what Jesus hath to give.**

**Come and partake the gospel feast, be saved from sin, in Jesus rest;
O taste the goodness of our God, and eat his flesh and drink his blood.**

**See him set forth before your eyes; behold the bleeding sacrifice;
his offered love make haste to embrace, and freely now be saved by grace.**

**Ye who believe his record true shall sup with him and he with you;
come to the feast, be saved from sin, for Jesus waits to take you in.**

*Confession and Pardon

My siblings,

Christ shows us his love by becoming a humble servant.

Let us draw near to God and confess our sin in the truth of God’s Spirit.
(A brief silence for individual confession.)

**Most merciful God,
we your Church confess
that often our spirit has not been that of Christ.
Where we have failed to love one another as he loves us,
where we have pledged loyalty to him with our lips
and then betrayed, deserted, or denied him,
forgive us, we pray;
and by your Spirit make us faithful in every time of trial;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ.
But Christ suffered and died for us,
was raised from the dead and ascended on high for us,
and continues to intercede for us.
Believe the good news:
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

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

PROCLAMATION

***Gospel Reading** John 13:12-17, 31-35
The Gospel of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

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Sermon

The Reverend Jamison Doehring

RESPONSE

***Hymn 292** "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.

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 life
to lay aside his crown for my soul, for my soul,
to lay 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.

Presentation of Our Gifts and God's Tithes

God is Good. **All the time.**
And all the time. **God is Good.**

Responsively

You may designate your offering via mobile phone by texting "UniversityUMC" to 833-245-5259 and choosing the General Fund or specific missions, or through UniversityUMC.church. Today's offering will be divided among our core outreach missions.

Offertory

"Jesus, Lover of My Soul"
Soloist ~ Patricia Johnson

G. Matheson
A. L. Peace

***Invitation to the Table**, Hymnal, p. 12

***The Great Thanksgiving**, Hymnal p. 17

Responsively

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

... we praise your name and join their unending hymn.

**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.**

... as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

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

... all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

Amen.

***The Lord's Prayer**

In Unison

**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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

***The Breaking of the Bread and the Taking of the Cup**

The Giving

The body of Christ broken for you. **Amen.**

The blood of Christ shed for you. **Amen.**

In the United Methodist tradition, the Table is open to all who desire the Sacrament, including children. If you wish to celebrate communion by intinction, dip the bread into the cup so as to receive both elements together. After you receive the elements, you are invited to respond, "Amen" or "Thanks be to God." You may stand or kneel at the chancel rail in prayer as long as you wish. We invite you to consider leaving an offering to support neighbors in need. We use bread from Great Harvest Bread Company and Welch's grape juice. [Visit our website for allergen information.](#)



Gluten-free wafers and a dedicated chalice are available upon request at the station just left of the center aisle. Wafers are free of gluten, wheat, yeast, dairy, egg, soy, nut, and corn.

Communion Music

"What Wondrous Love"
Organist ~ Meghan Cox

David Maxwell

Prayer after Communion

TENEBRAE

The Betrayal and Arrest of Jesus

***The Reading**

John 18:1-14

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Shrouding the Chancel

Solo

"Were You There?"
Soloist ~ Patricia Johnson

Spiritual

ALL DEPART IN SILENCE.



Holy Week Services

at University UMC

Good Friday Worship

March 29 - 7 p.m.

During this special musical service, we will meditate on the Seven Last Words while praying for those throughout the world who have suffered or continue to suffer injustice and isolation.

Easter Sunday Worship

March 31


6:30 a.m. - Sunrise in Courtyard

8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

The 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. services will be identical with jubilant music led by the Chancel Choir, along with a string quartet, solo vocal selection, and closing with the singing of the "Hallelujah Chorus" from Handel's Messiah.

On Easter Sunday, children and families are invited to join in a celebratory egg hunt on the church grounds after the 8:30 & 10:30 a.m. worship services.

All are invited to bring flowers from home to decorate the cross outside the church on Easter Sunday.



MINISTERIAL STAFF & THOSE SERVING TODAY

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Pastor of Kindred Church.....	The Reverend Daniel Childs
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