

# MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE

April 17th, 2025, 7:00pm

**Welcome to Worship at Media Presbyterian Church!  
May you discover the spirit of Christ in this place  
and among this church family.**

*Leading Worship This Evening:*

Reverend Dr. David Cagle, Transitional Pastor  
Lisa VanHeldorf, Director of Traditional Music  
Emily Barth, Organist

## GATHERING

### PRELUDE

*Olivet*

Karl Osterland

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Dr. David Cagle

Leader: Come to God, who has loved us through Jesus Christ. Present yourselves to the Spirit who understands your need.

**All: God has heard our voices and heeded our cries. We will call on God's name as long as we live.**

Leader: Come to prepare yourselves for the journey of faith. God sets before us a memorial feast.

**All: We will pay our vows to God at the table of Christ. We will offer our sacrifices of thanksgiving.**

Leader: Come to embrace the new covenant God offers. Eat and drink in remembrance of Jesus Christ.

**All: We come to be washed and cleansed and healed. God will equip us here to love one another.**

### OPENING PRAYER

**\*OPENING HYMN #93** (Blue) *Ah, Holy Jesus*

### CALL TO CONFESSION

Leader: God calls into judgement all that distracts us from true worship: our possessions, our favorite activities, our love of comfort and security. Christ's way of humble service challenges our desire for recognition and applause. We are summoned before God to rid ourselves of our

**All: pretenses, that we may be empowered for discipleship.**

**Let us confess our sins together.**

*\*Please stand in body or in spirit*

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION (All)**

God of love, we confess that we have been slow to turn to you with our sacrifices of thanksgiving. When things go well for us, we give credit to our own efforts rather than pay our vows to you. In times of difficulty, we resist your claims on us and deny your covenant. We want our own way, as if our desires should rule your world. We have not learned to love others without conditions or to serve them without pretense. Forgive us, we pray, and free us to know the blessing and joy of following where Jesus leads. Amen.

*(Now, take a few moments of honesty before God in silent confession)*

## **KYRIE #574**

*Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us*

Lord, have mercy upon us; Christ, have mercy upon us; Lord have mercy upon us.

## **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: God has heard our voices and listened to our supplications. We are welcomed by Jesus Christ to the table where all may eat and drink and find a welcome. Our host bows down to wash our feet and invites us to do the same for one another. Embrace this opportunity to love as we have been loved. Lift up the cup of salvation, for we have been freed from our sin to praise God.

**All: Thanks be to God! Amen.**

## **EQUIPPING**

### **THE WORD**

### **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**Scripture Reading: I Corinthians 11:23-26 pg. 933**

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**Second Scripture Reading: John 13:1-8, 12-15, 33-35 pg. 876, 877**

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**HOMILY "Maundy Thursday Rite, Command, & Sacrament"**

## **RESPONDING**

**\*HYMN #367**

*Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us With Your Love*

## **\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (All)**

*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.**

## **INVITATION TO STEWARDSHIP**

### **OFFERTORY ANTHEM**

*Create in Me a Clean Heart*

Brahms

### **DOXOLOGY**

#### **\*HYMN #592**

*OLD HUNDRETH*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above; ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

## **\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

### CELEBRATING THE LORD'S SUPPER

*There are prepackaged communion cups located in baskets at the back of the sanctuary if you prefer not taking communion by intinction.*

#### **Invitation to the Lord's Table**

#### **The Great Thanksgiving**

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them to God.**

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

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

*The prayer continues...*

### The Lord's Prayer (All)

**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 sins, as we forgive those who have sinned 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.**

**Words of Institution**

**Communion of the People**

**Prayer of Affirmation**

**SENDING**

**\*CLOSING HYMN #94**

*An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare*

**\*COMMISSION & BLESSING**

**POSTLUDE**

*At Church*

Tchaikovsky

*Upcoming Services at MPC  
3/29, Good Friday, @7:00pm  
3/31, Easter Sunday, @10:00am*

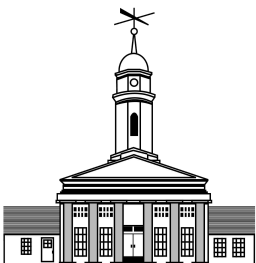


## **OUR MISSION & VISION**

*Our Mission is to love God and love our neighbor.  
Our Vision is to be a Christian Community that worships  
together, serves together, and grows together in faith.*

### **Visiting Today?**

*If this is your first time worshipping with us, we hope you  
feel welcome. If you have questions, please don't hesitate  
to reach out to us by phone at (610) 566-3944. We also  
invite you to visit our website at  
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