



Maundy Thursday



FEDERATED CHURCH

Thursday, April 6, 2023
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Mission Statement:

We are called to nurture a growing relationship with God by following the example of Jesus Christ.

We are called **Federated** because on July 2, 1914, Columbus' Congregational (now the United Church of Christ) and Presbyterian churches joined to serve as one congregation.

Prayer requests can be shared with the Church Office (402) 564-2812 to initiate a Prayer Chain with the Order of St. Andrew. The Prayer Chain is strictly confidential.

If you missed worship last week, visit www.federatedcolumbus.org for videos of worship and bulletins.

In case of an emergency, Edward's cell phone number: 402-302-2812.

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Welcome to Worship at Federated!

THURSDAY, APRIL 6, 2023

MAUNDY THURSDAY

Hymns, Songs, Prayers, and liturgies in **Bold** are for the participation of the **Congregation**

PRELUDE

Before Thy Throne I Now Appear

J. S. BACH

Prelude in B Minor (Op 28, No 6)

FREDERIC CHOPIN

James Sharpe, Organ & Piano

The prelude music before our service includes the final work written by Bach. It was dictated as he lay on his deathbed hours before his death. The Chopin prelude, often played with cello, is a short, somber, and very moving work, which was played at Chopin's funeral.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*** WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP**

Presbyterian Outlook

One: We gather tonight to tell the old, old story.

All: a story of bitterness and betrayal, of despair, denial and death.

One: We gather tonight to tell an even older story prepared before the worlds began:

All: a story of love powerful enough to rewrite our endings with the promise of new life.

One: In the telling of the story, in the breaking of the bread, in the coming of the night,

All: we draw near once more to Christ.

*** HYMN #513**

Let Us Break Bread Together

WE TELL THE STORY 1

Gospel According to Matthew 26 : 26 - 30

Pew Bible, NT, pages 30

WE TAKE THE BREAD AND CUP (Sacrament of the Lord's Supper)

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF GOD'S PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of grace, we give you thanks for the feast of redemption we have shared in the body and blood of our Savior. As you have nourished us with love, let our lives proclaim your great love for the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WE TELL THE STORY 2

Gospel According to John 13 : 3 - 5, 12 - 17

Pew Bible, NT, pages 107 - 108

CHORAL ANTHEM

Wash Their Feet

Chancel Choir; Bob Arp, Director; Amanda Weeder, Accompanist; Julie Zurst, Oboe

WE TELL THE STORY 3

Gospel According to Matthew 26 : 36 - 46

Pew Bible, NT, pages 30

WE JOIN WITH JESUS IN PRAYER (Prayers of the People)

One: In your love, Lord,

All: hear our prayers.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

TIME OF OFFERING

One: What shall we offer for all God's goodness to us?

All: Let us lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord.

*** DOXOLOGY**

**As you are able, please rise in body or in spirit.*

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*** PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Gracious God, you pour out blessing upon us and cover us with grace. Accept these offerings, that they may bring blessing to those who need them, and give witness to your overwhelming love; in Jesus' name. Amen.

WE TELL THE STORY 4

Gospel According to Matthew 26 : 47 - 56

Pew Bible, NT, pages 30 - 31

TIME OF CONFESSION

One: God, your faithfulness to us is so great, that we cannot help but fall short. Yet still we confess our sins, out of the hope you yourself gave us: that you still set us a place for us at the banquet of grace feed us with forgiveness and mercy, no matter what we have done, no matter what we may yet do. And so tonight, we confess, and we put our trust in you.

All: **For every time you asked us to stay with you, and we wandered away, forgive us. For every time we fell asleep on the job of being your disciples, forgive us. For every time we boasted of our loyalty, yet crept away, betrayed, or denied you, forgive us. For every time we hear this story, and think “we would do better,” forgive us. For every time we meet your faithfulness, with faithlessness, forgive us. God, your love for us is unfathomably deep, that you would take all our failures, and still love us as friends. May we take the gift of your forgiveness, and share it with the world, that you made and loved so much.**

MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

One: Friends, the story we tell tonight is a story of the deepest love; love that would offer forgiveness even to the traitor at its right hand.

All: **The bread was for us; the cup, for us; the cross, for us; we are forgiven, not easily, but the hard way.**

One: We are forgiven, not cheaply, but wholly.

All: **We are forgiven, and we are freed. Praise be to God. Amen.**

WE TELL THE STORY 5

Gospel According to Matthew 26 : 57 - 68

Pew Bible, NT, pages 31

HYMN #93

Ah, Holy Jesus (verses 1 & 4; remain seated)

WE TELL THE STORY 6

Gospel According to Matthew 26 : 69 - 75

Pew Bible, NT, pages 31

HYMN #102

Were You There? (verses 1 - 3; remain seated)

WE TELL THE STORY 7

Gospel According to Matthew 27 : 45 - 56

Pew Bible, NT, pages 33

*** HYMN #101**

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

CLOSING REFLECTION

Adagio – Moonlight Sonata (Op 27, No 2)

LUDWIG VAN BEETHOVEN

Our service this evening closes with a short time of reflection accompanied by music and pictures. Beethoven's Moonlight Sonata is especially appropriate because the moon is always full during Holy Week. Use this time to prepare your heart and mind for Good Friday, the “in-between” time of Holy Saturday, and the joy of Easter morning.

WE GO OUT TO WAIT FOR THE DAWN (Benediction)

Please depart the sanctuary in silence.

JOYS & CONCERNS

If you have any joys or concerns, please share with the congregation by informing the office.

- ◆ Pray for Rod Behlen who's staff infection has returned.
- ◆ Pray for Nell who has fallen and is recovering.
- ◆ Congratulations to Parker & Jamie Hughes, who welcomed a daughter, Madelyn Mae Hughes, born on March 8th, 2023. Grandparents are Reuben & Denise Hughes. Great Grandmother is Donna Engquist.
- ◆ **Homestead Presbytery: Wymore**

We have sadly experienced the closure of the Mission Creek congregation, after many years of partnership as Trinity Parish. We continue to maintain our yoke with Steele City, including joint services and activities. We enjoy opportunities of outreach in our local community. Pray that we rise to the task of loving our neighbors and offering the hand of Christ.

- ◆ **UCC Living Waters Association: Tilden Peace UCC (Tilden, NE 68781)**

THIS WEEK AT FEDERATED CHURCH

Sunday, April 9, 2023 - Easter Sunday

- 10:00am Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 11:00am Easter Egg Hunt

Monday, April 10, 2023

Church office closed

- 5:00pm Social Concerns & Missions Committee, EC7
- 5:00pm Special Olympics Basketball, Gym
- 6:30pm Membership & Growth Committee, EC8
- 7:00pm Scouts Troop 212 Meeting

Tuesday, April 11, 2023

- 5:30pm Consonaires Group, Choir Room
- 7:00pm Personnel Meeting, AD4
- 7:00pm Cub Scouts #279 Den Meeting, FH

Wednesday, April 12, 2023

- 10:00am Staff Meeting, Church Office AD4
- 1:00pm Meridian Garden, Edward
- 6:30pm Bell Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
- 7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

Thursday, April 13, 2023

- 8:00am HP Implementation Team, EC8
- 6:30pm Worship Service, Sanctuary

Friday, April 14, 2023 - Good Friday

No events scheduled

Saturday, April 15, 2023

No events scheduled

Sunday, April 16, 2023 - Easter Sunday

- 8:45am SALT Adult Ed. Hour, EC 4-5
- 9:00am Education Hour, Education Center rooms
- 10:00am Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 11:00am Youth Ministry Committee Meeting, EC8

The Federated Church Landscaping Committee has started the **Commemorative Tree Program, Rooted in Love**. The minimum donation to purchase a tree and plaque to be planted in memory or honor of a loved one is \$350.00. Any moneys less the tree/plaque will be used for the Landscaping Project for bushes, maintenance, etc.

Pick up your form today in the Narthex or Office.

Thank you for filling in so many slots for the Rescue Mission meals! There are only four left--**April**, October, November, December. This is always the second Friday of the month.

If any place you work or volunteer has new brochures (not outdated) please collect some and bring them to church for the rack in the library. Thank you!

Social Concerns and Missions Committee

Holy Week Schedule:

- April 6 - Maundy Thursday, Service 6:30pm**
- April 7 - Good Friday, Service @ Grace Episcopal, Noon**
Church office closes at Noon
- April 9 - Easter Sunday, Service 10am, No Ed Hour**
- April 10 - Easter Monday, Church office closed**

Random Fandom (Arts & Music Small Group, admins Mimi Ernst and Nila Novotny) would like all to know that there are a few upcoming events:
"You're a Good Man Charlie Brown", a musical, will be performed at CCC April 13 - 16
Columbus Symphonic Strings will be having their Spring Concert at Federated, April 21 - 22

Current Walk to Jerusalem Miles: 4,479.44
(as of 04/06/2023)

For more information or upcoming events, please contact Mimi or Nila.