



Maundy Thursday



UNITED CHURCH
OF CHRIST



FEDERATED CHURCH

Welcome to Worship at Federated!

THURSDAY, APRIL 2, 2026

MAUNDY THURSDAY

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

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

* **CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Jesus said: I give you a new commandment that you love one another.

All: Just as Christ has loved us, let us love one another.

One: By this everyone will know that we are his disciples,

All: if we have love for one another.

* **OPENING HYMN #513**

Let Us Break Bread Together (verses 1 & 3)

* **UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Merciful, Mighty, Matchless One, you have loved us to the end. There was betrayal in our heart, yet you loved us anyway. You knew we would deny you, yet you loved us anyway. In our selfishness, we balked, we objected, we disapproved, yet you loved us anyway. We sought to point the finger at anyone other than ourselves, yet you loved us anyway. Forgive us we pray. Renew our healing convictions, restore our call to service, rekindle our flame for justice, that we may once again become your people of peace.

* **MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER**

* **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

One: Hear and receive the good news. The One who created us has called us.

All: There is now no condemnation, no shame at the table of God.

One: Only the love that makes us whole again.

All: Only the love we offer others.

One: In God's name we are forgiven.

All: In God's name we have been set free. Amen.

* **PASSING THE PEACE**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

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

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SCRIPTURE READING

Gospel According to John 13 : 3 - 7, 31 - 35

REFLECTION

CHORAL ANTHEM

Wash Their Feet

Chancel Choir; Bob Arp, directing; Amanda Weeder, piano; Stuart Gausman, saxophone

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

COMMUNION PRAYER

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.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

* **LENTEN DOXOLOGY**

* **PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

May the gifts we offer today build your Beloved Community among us, that the world will know we are yours, that we love because you first loved us. Amen.

TENEBRAE – SERVICE OF SHADOWS

INTRODUCTION

SHADOW OF BETRAYAL

Gospel According to Matthew 26 : 20 - 25

Extinguish first candle

Hymn No. 93

Ah, Holy Jesus (verses 1 & 3)

SHADOW OF THE AGONY OF THE SPIRIT

Gospel According to Matthew 26 : 36 - 44

Extinguish second candle

Special Music

In Dark Gethsemane

SHADOW OF ARREST

Gospel According to Matthew 26 : 45 - 50

Extinguish third candle

Instrumental

Siciliano

SHADOW OF DENIAL

Gospel According to Matthew 26 : 69 - 75

Extinguish fourth candle

Video Response:

Bitter Was the Night

SHADOW OF ACCUSATION

Gospel According to Matthew 27 : 11 - 14, 20 - 23

Extinguish fifth candle

Hymn No. 98

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded (verses 1 & 3)

SHADOW OF CRUCIFIXION & HUMILIATION

Gospel According to Matthew 27 : 33-43

Extinguish sixth candle

Video Response:

When I Survey

SHADOW OF DEATH

Gospel According to Matthew 27 : 45 - 54

Extinguish seventh and Christ candles

* **Hymn No. 102**

Were You There?

* **LORD'S PRAYER**

Please depart the sanctuary in silence.