

First Presbyterian Church

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Embodying Christ's inclusive love through heart, mind, and service

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Oak Ridge, Tennessee
A Congregation of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

April 6, 2023 • *Maundy Thursday*

**Please stand, in body or in spirit. Text printed in bold italics to be read in unison.*

Gathering Music

Opening Sentences

On this night, we gather at a table that is set for us.

It is a holy feast of the bread of life and the cup of salvation.

The Servant of God calls us to this supper of remembrance.

The Lamb of God calls us to serve and to be served.

Let us worship, let us remember, let us give thanks.

***Hymn 686**

God of Our Life

***Call to Confession**

***Litany of Confession**

Lord Jesus Christ, how well you know our hearts, and still you love us.

You have loved us even when we have not loved you or followed your commandment to love one another.

Lord, have mercy upon us. *(silence)*

We have denied you, and we have denied your calling to serve one another.

Christ, have mercy upon us. *(silence)*

We have betrayed you, and we have betrayed our commitment to reflect your way of peace.

Lord, have mercy upon us. *(silence)*

Lord, pour out your Spirit of grace upon us.

Teach us to love and serve you faithfully, and to love and serve one another by the example you have set for us; in your holy name we pray. Amen.

***Assurance of Forgiveness**

***The Peace of Christ**

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

Let us share the peace of Christ with one another.

***Sung Response** *(sing twice)*

We are forgiven. We are forgiven.

Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.

Anthem

In Remembrance of Me

Courtney/Red

Scripture Reading

John 13:1-17, 34-35

Meditation

Hymn 215

What Wondrous Love Is This
(verses 1 and 2)

The Last Supper

Invitation to the Table

Great 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.

Creator God, ruler of the universe ... who forever sing to the glory of your name:

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

You are holy, O God of majesty ... Great is the mystery of faith:

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

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit ...

all glory and honor are yours, now and forever. ***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.

Breaking of the Bread

Communion

*As you are ready, you are invited to come to the Table,
receive the bread and cup, and then return to your seat.*

Response after Supper

***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!***

Musical Reflection

*There is no benediction this evening.
The service continues tomorrow (Good Friday) and concludes on Easter morning.
You are invited to depart quietly.*

Announcements

—Special thanks to:

Susan Reisinger—worship leadership

Robyn James—viola

Peggy Hinkle—organ and piano

—You are invited to observe Good Friday tomorrow with our **self-guided prayer stations**, noon to 2:00 p.m., in the sanctuary.

—**Easter Sunday, Apr. 9, 10:30 a.m.**—Worship will include the Sacrament of Baptism and the reception of new members, the dedication of new Paraments, the Flowering of the Cross (please bring cut flowers, if possible), and Handel’s “Hallelujah” chorus. Our annual Easter egg hunt for the children will follow worship (having your own basket will be helpful). The worship service will be livestreamed via our Facebook page at <https://bit.ly/3JcFS7B>.

We will receive the **One Great Hour of Sharing** special offering on Easter morning. This offering, one of four annual special offerings of the PC(USA), helps support programs that provide food, clean water, disaster relief, and self-improvement tools to those who need it most around the world. You can either give in person next Sunday, mail a contribution to the church with “OGHS” on the memo line, or use the QR code below to give online. Thank you!

—Our monthly **Welcome Table** community meal is next Thursday, Apr. 13, 5:00 to 6:00 p.m., in the fellowship hall. Hope you’ll join us!

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