

WESTMINSTER  **PRESBYTERIAN**
CHURCH

Maundy Thursday

Holy Communion

April 1, 2021 7:00 p.m.

GATHERING

(Silence during the Prelude is requested in preparation for worship.)

PRELUDE Passion Chorale: O Sacred Head Now Wounded David Bednall
 Meditation: Love Unknown Francis Jackson

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

(Those who are able may stand.)

Grace and peace to you
in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Let us worship God!

**On this day Christ, the Lamb of God,
gave himself into the hands of those
who would slay him.**

**On this day Christ gathered with his disciples
in the upper room.**

**On this day Christ took a towel
and washed his disciples' feet,
giving us an example
that we should do to others
as he had done for us.**

**On this day Christ, our God,
gave us this holy feast,
that we who eat this bread and drink this cup
may here proclaim his holy sacrifice
and be partakers of his resurrection,
and at the last day may reign with him in heaven.**

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

**Holy God, source of all love,
on the night of his betrayal
Jesus gave his disciples a new commandment,
to love one another as he loved them.
Write this commandment on our hearts;
give us the will to serve others
as he was the servant of all,
who gave his life and died for us,
yet is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. Amen.**

***HYMN 209**

My Song Is Love Unknown

LOVE UNKNOWN

CALL TO CONFESSION

The proof of God's amazing love is this:
While we were sinners, Christ died for us.
**Because we have faith in him,
we dare to approach God with confidence.**

In faith and penitence
let us confess our sin before God and one another.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**You call us to be your voices in this world
and we stay silent.
You call us to be your hands in this world
and we keep them hidden.
You call us to be your feet in this world
and we go our own way.
When we meet those who are doubting
and say nothing, forgive us.
When we meet those who need your touch
and do nothing, forgive us.
When we are called to take up your cross
and carry nothing, forgive us.
Breathe life into these bones;
bring freedom to these lives
that we might declare
with heart and soul and voice
that you are our Lord and our God. Amen.**

(Silent confession)

My Song Is Love Unknown 209

1 My song is love un - known, my Sav - ior's love to
 2 He came from heav - en's throne sal - va - tion to be -
 3 Some - times we strew his way, and his sweet prais - es
 4 Un - heed - ing, we will have our dear Lord made a -
 5 Here might I stay and sing, no sto - ry so di -

me, love to the love - less shown that they might love - ly
 stow; the world that was his own would not its Sav - ior
 sing, re - sound - ing all the day ho - san - nas to our
 way, a mur - der - er to save, the prince of life to
 vine: nev - er was love, dear King, nev - er was grief like

be. O who am I that for my sake my
 know. But O my Friend, my Friend in - deed, who
 King. Then "Cru - ci - fy!" is all our breath, and
 slay. Yet stead - fast he to suf - fer - ing goes, that
 thine. This is my Friend, in whose sweet praise I

Lord should take frail flesh, and die?
 at my need his life did spend!
 for his death we thirst and cry.
 he his foes from thence might free.
 all my days could glad - ly spend.

Create in me a clean heart, O God.
Create in me a clean heart, O God.

Renew a right spirit within me.
Renew a right spirit within me.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(The liturgist pours water, which reminds us of our baptism.)

The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting.
I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.
May the God of mercy, who forgives us all our sins,
strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit
keep us in eternal life.

***The Peace**

Since God in Christ has forgiven us, let us also forgive one another.
The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

(Please exchange the peace with the words, "The peace of Christ be with you.")

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

Hear the Word of God! **Our ears are open.**

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Create in me a clean heart, O God.
Create in me a clean heart, O God.

Renew a right spirit within me.
Renew a right spirit within me.

Psalms 116

Philip W.J. Stopford

I love the Lord, for he has heard
the voice of my supplication,
because he inclined his ear to me
on the day I called to him.

The snares of death encompassed me;
the pains of hell took hold of me,
by grief and sorrow was I held.

I will walk before the Lord
in the land of the living.

Then I called upon the name of the Lord:
"O Lord, I beg you, deliver my soul!"

Gracious is the Lord, and righteous;
our God is full of compassion.
The Lord watches over the simple;
I was brought very low and he saved me.
Turn again to your rest, O my soul,
for the Lord has been gracious to you.

I will walk before the Lord in the land of the living.
For you have delivered my soul from death,
delivered my soul from death,
my eyes from tears, and my feet from falling;
in the land of the living.

John 13:1-17, 31b-35

13 Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. ²The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper ³Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, ⁴got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. ⁵Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. ⁶He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" ⁷Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." ⁸Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." ⁹Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" ¹⁰Jesus said to him, "One who has bathed does not need to wash, except for the feet, but is entirely clean. And you are clean, though not all of you." ¹¹For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, "Not all of you are clean."

¹² After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table, he said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you? ¹³ You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. ¹⁴ So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. ¹⁵ For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. ¹⁶ Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. ¹⁷ If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them.

³¹ When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. ³² If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. ³³ Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the

Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' ³⁴ I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵ By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

SERMON

"What Everyone Knows About You"

Donovan Drake

(A moment for meditation)

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

**We believe that at the Lord's Supper
the community of believers is renewed
by the memory of Christ's life and death,
by his real presence in the power of the Holy Spirit,
and by the promise of his coming again.
Christ makes himself known to us in the breaking of bread.
He offers us his body broken for our sake,
and his blood shed for the forgiveness of our sins.
We accept his promises and gifts,
and depend on his life to sustain ours.
In turn we offer ourselves in thanksgiving
to the risen Lord, who has conquered death.
So we celebrate his victory here and now,
and anticipate the joyous feast in his coming kingdom.
Reunited around one loaf and cup,
we receive strength and courage
to continue our pilgrimage
with God in the world.**

(From A Declaration of Faith)

THE EUCHARIST

***PREPARATION OF THE LORD'S TABLE**

***INVITATION**

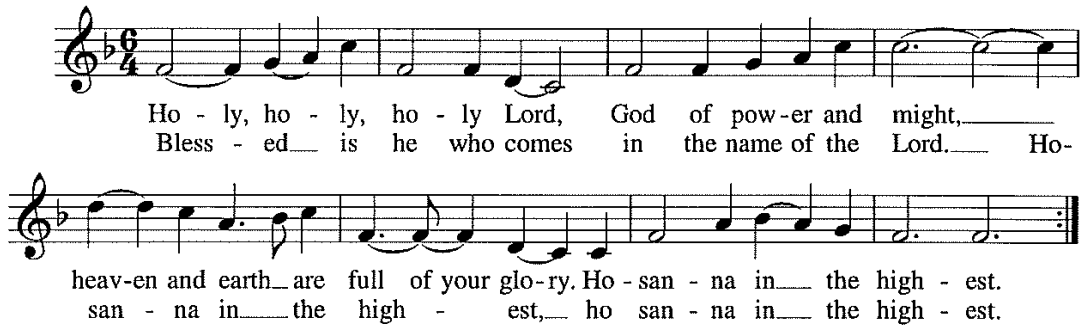
***GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

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.

It is truly right and our greatest joy...
calling us to turn again to your ways.

Therefore we praise you,
joining our voices with the celestial choirs,
and with all the faithful of every time and place,
who forever sing to the glory of your name:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might, _____
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. _____ Ho-
heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
san - na in the high - est, ho san - na in the high - est.

(The congregation may be seated.)

You are holy, O God of majesty...
that our lives may proclaim the One crucified and risen.

Great is the mystery of faith:



Christ has died; _____ Christ is ris-en; Christ will come a - gain.
Christ has died; _____ Christ is ris-en; Christ will come a - gain.

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us...
we will feast with you at your table in glory.

Through Christ,
all glory and honor are yours, almighty Father,
with the Holy Spirit in the holy church,
now and forever.



A - men, _____ a - men, _____ a - - - men.

***THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**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 OF THE PEOPLE

Music during Communion

Anthem

In Remembrance

Buryl Red

In remembrance of me, eat this bread.
In remembrance of me, drink this wine.
In remembrance of me,
pray for the time when God's own will is done.
In remembrance of me, heal the sick.
In remembrance of me, feed the poor.
In remembrance of me,
open the door and let your neighbors in.
Take, eat, and be comforted. Drink, and remember, too,
that this is my body and precious blood,
shed for you, shed for you.
In remembrance of me, search for truth.
In remembrance of me, always love.
In remembrance of me, don't look above,
but in your heart, in your heart.
Look in your heart for God.
Do this in remembrance of me.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SENDING

*HYMN 202

An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare

O WALY WALY



1 An up - per room did our Lord pre - pare for those he
2 A last - ing gift Je - sus gave his own: to share his
3 And af - ter sup - per he washed their feet, for ser - vice,
4 No end there is! We de - part in peace. He loves be -



loved un - til the end: and his dis - ci - ples still
bread, his lov - ing cup. What - ev - er bur - dens may
too, is sac - ra - ment. In Christ our joy shall be
yond our ut - ter - most: in ev - ery room in our



gath - er there to cel - e - brate their ris - en friend.
bow us down, he by his cross shall lift us up.
made com - plete: sent out to serve, as he was sent.
Fa - ther's house Christ will be there, as Lord and Host.

STRIPPING OF THE CHANCEL

(The final act of this service is the stripping of the Chancel. The stark, unadorned church reflects Jesus' abandonment during the night in the Garden of Gethsemane. As we depart the Sanctuary this evening in silence, we move from the celebration of the Lord's Supper to the crucifixion and death of Jesus. Symbolically, Jesus Christ, stripped of his power and glory, is now in the hands of his captors.)

CHARGE

Jesus said, “Just as I have loved you,
you also should love one another.”

Go in peace.

(Please depart the Sanctuary in silence.)

**(Those who are able may stand.)*

SERVICE NOTES

WORSHIP LEADER: Liturgist: Guy D. Griffith, Associate Pastor for Adult Education and Spiritual Nurture.

MUSICIANS: Chamber Choir; Jane Kirchner, flute; John W. Semingson, Director of Music Ministries; Polly Brecht, Organist.

COMMUNION: The Presbyterian Church (USA) practices “open Communion” without regard to church affiliation. All who seek to become more faithful to Christ are welcome at the Lord’s Table. Westminster celebrates the “Eucharist,” meaning “thanksgiving,” on the first Sunday of each month, on the first Sunday of each liturgical season, and on every Sunday during the Season of Easter, except Baptism Sundays. We give thanks for God’s gift to us in the life, death and resurrection of Christ by gathering at the Lord’s Table to remember and celebrate this gift.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME: Westminster Presbyterian Church welcomes you to share our common journey to become more faithful disciples of Christ. Our love and acceptance of each other affirm the inherent worth and dignity of every person, regardless of our differences, and bear witness to the love of God for all people and our commitment to Christ. If you are interested in learning about membership, please contact Melissa Threatt (864.506.0267; melissa.threatt@gmail.com) or Rev. Heidi Hudnut-Beumler (615.292.5526; hhudnutbeumler@nashvillewpc.org) with any questions.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING: Since 1949, Presbyterians have joined with millions of other Christians through One Great Hour of Sharing to share God’s love with people experiencing need. Our gifts support ministries of disaster response, refugee assistance and resettlement, and community development that help people find safe refuge, start new lives, and work together to strengthen their families and communities. Recognizing that the hope we have in Christ is lived out in our hope for one another, we respond with gifts that help our brothers and sisters around the world to find the hope for a brighter future. Please make sure to note our congregation when you [make your donation here](#).

FLORAL CROSS: Join us in the wonderful tradition that is Westminster’s Easter Floral Cross, to be displayed in front of the church on Easter Sunday morning, April 4th! Please bring flowers - either from your garden or purchased - to decorate our Cross. Special helpers will be outside the front doors of the Sanctuary before and after each service to assist you in adding your floral offerings. Please make sure to maintain WPC protocols by wearing your mask and maintaining social distancing around the cross.

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Purpose Statement

*Ordinary people testifying to the extraordinary light
found in our Lord Jesus Christ.*

“For it is the God who said, ‘Let light shine out of darkness’, who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us.” (2 Corinthians 4:6-7)

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HOLY WEEK



GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 2

11:45 AM • WEST COLUMBARIUM

Please [click here](#) to make a reservation for this service.

7:00 PM • PRE-RECORDED

Choral Service of Darkness

Featuring *Stabat Mater* by G. B. Pergolesi.

Women of the Westminster Choir, string quintet, and organ

You may watch this service on any of our streaming platforms including YouTube and Facebook.

THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD, APRIL 4

7:00 AM • EAST COLUMBARIUM

SAM LEVINE AND SOLOIST

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8:00 AM • EAST COLUMBARIUM

WITH BRASS ENSEMBLE AND CHAMBER CHOIR

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9:15 AM • SANCTUARY • LIVE STREAM

PRE-RECORDED BRASS PRELUDE AND CHAMBER CHOIR

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If you plan on attending the services in the North Parking Lot, please park in our Mayfair lot and walk to the North lot. Please bring your own chairs.

10:15 AM • NORTH PARKING LOT

WITH CHAMBER CHOIR AND BRASS ENSEMBLE

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11:15 AM • NORTH PARKING LOT

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