



Worship Service for April 6, 2023

Maundy Thursday

Prelude	Marshall Davies
Chiming of the Hour	Marcy Schmich
Welcome	Pastor Felix Carrión
Call to Worship	Marcy Schmich

LEADER: We are Jesus' disciples, following him even as he moves toward the cross.

ALL: We long to be faithful even as the night grows dark; even as betrayers loom; and even as the powers that oppose the way of Christ press in around us.

LEADER: We are Jesus' disciples, seeking to love others even as Jesus loved us.

ALL: We are Jesus' disciples, gathered here to worship God: Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer. Amen.

***Hymn** Congregation

TNCH # 389 "A New Commandment" vv. 3 & 8

Jesus a new commandment has given us:
that we should love each other
just as our God loves us.

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Christ, the Light, the Truth, and true Life,
bids us share our love and pardon.

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Let us come to Jesus' table with our love for one another.

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Prayer for Illumination

Marcy Schmich

LEADER: God be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

LEADER: Let us pray.

**ALL: Gracious God, may your truth open our eyes
and understanding to your word. Kindle in us the
flame of your Word and love so that the world
may be full of your glory. In Jesus' name we pray.
Amen.**

1st Biblical Witness

Pastor Felix Carrión

Psalm 51:6-12

- ⁶ You desire truth in the inward being;
therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.
- ⁷ Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;
wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.
- ⁸ Let me hear joy and gladness;
let the bones that you have crushed rejoice.
- ⁹ Hide your face from my sins,
and blot out all my iniquities.
- ¹⁰ Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and put a new and right spirit within me.
- ¹¹ Do not cast me away from your presence,
and do not take your holy spirit from me.
- ¹² Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and sustain in me a willing spirit.

2nd Biblical Witness

Marcy Schmich

John 13:34-35

- 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.

Pastoral Reflection

Pastor Felix Carrión

“I Give You a New Commandment”

Silent Meditation

Congregation

***Hymn**

Congregation

TNCH # 498 "Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love" vv. 1 & 3

Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love,

Show us how to serve

The neighbors we have from you.

Knelt at the feet of his friends,

Silently washing their feet,

Jesu, you acted as servant to them.

Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love,

Show us how to serve

The neighbors we have from you.

These are the ones we should serve,

These are the ones we should love;
All these are neighbors to us and you.

Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love,
Show us how to serve
The neighbors we have from you.

Invitation

Pastor Felix Carrión

This table is for all of us. This table is for the whole world. It is God's table of grace. So, come and take your place at this table. Come, let us share this bread of life and the cup of salvation!

Confession of Sin

Pastor Felix Carrión

LEADER: Christ have mercy.

ALL: Christ have mercy upon us.

LEADER: Let us pray.

ALL: Gracious God, our sins weigh us down and afflict us. Our neglect of doing what is right in your sight brings sorrow to our hearts. Often we are resigned to the past and feel hopeless. Forgive us

when we do not believe in your power of love. Grant us your grace and mercy in this hour, and free us into new life, new possibilities, and new beginnings. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Pastor Felix Carrión

Friends in Christ, you have called, forgiven and claimed by God's overflowing love. Embrace the abundance of God's grace in Jesus Christ. Be set free. Amen.

The Words of Institution and Communion Prayer

Pastor Felix Carrión

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Pastor Felix Carrión

ALL: O God, by coming to this table we receive the outpouring of your gifts. We give thanks and praise for Jesus Christ, through whom we receive life and in whom we are united in covenant. Amen.

*** Hymn**

Congregation

TNCH # 58 "Spirit of Love"

Spirit of love, you move within creation,

Drawing the threads to color and design:
Life into life, you knit our hearts together,
Come, work with us, and weave us into one.

Though we have frayed the fabric of your making,
Tearing away from all that you intend,
Yet, to be whole, humanity is aching
Come, work with us, and weave us into one.

Great loom of God, where history is woven,
You are the frame that holds us to the truth,
Christ is the theme, the pattern you have given
Come, work with us, and weave us into one.

**Service Of Tenebrae:
Readings And Extinguishing Of Lights**

Marcy Schmich

LEADER: Jesus said, "I am the light of the world.

**ALL: Anyone who follows me will not walk in
darkness, but will have the light of life."**

First Reading - Shadow of Betrayal

Judy Walden

Matthew 26:20-25

²⁰ When it was evening, he took his place with the twelve; ²¹ and while they were eating, he said, 'Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me.' ²² And they became greatly distressed and began to say to him one after another, 'Surely not I, Lord?' ²³ He answered, 'The one who has dipped his hand into the bowl with me will betray me. ²⁴ The Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that one by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that one not to have been born.' ²⁵ Judas, who betrayed him, said, 'Surely not I, Rabbi?' He replied, 'You have said so.'

Second Reading - Shadow of Desertion Terri Sachnik

Matthew 26:31-35

³¹ Then Jesus said to them, 'You will all become deserters because of me this night; for it is written, "I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be scattered." ³² But after I am raised up, I will go ahead of you to Galilee.' ³³ Peter said to him, 'Though all become deserters because of you, I will never desert you.' ³⁴ Jesus said to him, 'Truly I tell you, this very night, before the cock crows, you will deny me three times.' ³⁵ Peter said to him, 'Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you.' And so said all the disciples.

Third Reading - La Agonia del Alma

Lupe Monterubio

Lucas 22:39-44

Entonces Jesús salió y se fue, como era su costumbre, al cerro de los Olivos; y lo siguieron también sus discípulos. Cuando llegaron al lugar, les dijo: “Oren para no caer en la tentación.” Después se alejó de ellos como a la distancia a la que uno tira una piedra, y, doblando las rodillas, oraba diciendo: “Padre, si quieres, aparta de mí esta prueba. Sin embargo, que no se haga mi voluntad sino la tuya.”

Entonces se le apareció un ángel del cielo que venía a animarlo. Y entró en agonía y oraba con más insistencia; y su sudor se convirtió en grandes gotas de sangre que caían hasta el suelo.

Third Reading - Agony of the Soul

Beatriz Monterubio

Luke 22:39-44

³⁹ He came out and went, as was his custom, to the Mount of Olives; and the disciples followed him. ⁴⁰ When he reached the place, he said to them, ‘Pray that you may not come into the time of trial.’ ⁴¹ Then he withdrew from them about a stone’s throw, knelt down, and prayed, ⁴² ‘Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me; yet, not my will but yours be done.’ [⁴³ Then an angel from heaven appeared to him and gave him strength. ⁴⁴ In his anguish he prayed more earnestly, and his sweat became like great drops of blood falling down on the ground.]

Fourth Reading - Unshared Vigil

Marshall Davies

Mark 14:32-41

³² They went to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples, 'Sit here while I pray.' ³³ He took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be distressed and agitated. ³⁴ And he said to them, 'I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and keep awake.' ³⁵ And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. ³⁶ He said, 'Abba, Father, for you all things are possible; remove this cup from me; yet, not what I want, but what you want.' ³⁷ He came and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter, 'Simon, are you asleep? Could you not keep awake one hour? ³⁸ Keep awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.' ³⁹ And again he went away and prayed, saying the same words. ⁴⁰ And once more he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were very heavy; and they did not know what to say to him. ⁴¹ He came a third time and said to them, 'Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? Enough! The hour has come; the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners.'

Fifth Reading - "Father, the hour is come"

Mary Lowell

John 17:1-6

¹ After Jesus had spoken these words, he looked up to heaven and said, 'Father, the hour has come; glorify your

Son so that the Son may glorify you, ² since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. ³ And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. ⁴ I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. ⁵ So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed. ⁶ 'I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word.

Sixth Reading - "That they may all be one"

Laura Rabon

John 17:15-22

¹⁵ I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. ¹⁶ They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. ¹⁷ Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸ As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹ And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth. ²⁰ 'I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, ²¹ that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. ²² The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one,

Seventh Reading - Arrest in the Garden

Paula McKnight

John 18:1-5

¹ After Jesus had spoken these words, he went out with his disciples across the Kidron valley to a place where there was a garden, which he and his disciples entered. ² Now Judas, who betrayed him, also knew the place, because Jesus often met there with his disciples. ³ So Judas brought a detachment of soldiers together with police from the chief priests and the Pharisees, and they came there with lanterns and torches and weapons. ⁴ Then Jesus, knowing all that was to happen to him, came forward and asked them, 'For whom are you looking?' ⁵ They answered, 'Jesus of Nazareth.' Jesus replied, 'I am he.' Judas, who betrayed him, was standing with them.

Eighth Reading - Shadow of the Cross

Jan Lundy

Mark 15:16-20

¹⁶ Then the soldiers led him into the courtyard of the palace (that is, the governor's headquarters); and they called together the whole cohort. ¹⁷ And they clothed him in a purple cloak; and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on him. ¹⁸ And they began saluting him, 'Hail, King of the Jews!' ¹⁹ They struck his head with a reed, spat upon him, and knelt down in homage to him. ²⁰ After mocking him, they

stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him out to crucify him.

The Final Reading - The Word was God

Pastor Felix Carrión

John 1:1-4

¹ In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ² He was in the beginning with God. ³ All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being ⁴ in him was life, and the life was the light of all people.

John 1:10-14

¹⁰ He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. ¹¹ He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. ¹² But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, ¹³ who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. ¹⁴ And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

John 3:19

¹⁹ And this is the judgement, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil.

The Lord's Prayer

Pastor Felix Carrión

(New Zealand Anglican Prayer Book)

Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,

Source of all that is and that shall be,

Father and Mother of us all,

Loving God, in whom is heaven:

The hallowing of your name echo through the universe!

The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world!

Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!

Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth.

With the bread we need for today, feed us.

In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.

In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.

From trials too great to endure, spare us.

From the grip of all that is evil, free us.

For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and for ever.

Depart in Silence

Congregation

Postlude

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