Holy Thursday Service April 13, 2017

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Acolyte

Greeting

- (L) If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me.
- (P) For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake and for the sake of the gospel, will save it.

*Hymn "Are Ye Able" 530

Evening Prayer

Anthem "Once Upon a Tree" Choir

Scripture John 13:1-17, 31b-35 Pages 103-104 (N.T.)

Sermon "Love Each Other" Rev. Donna Eidson

Holy Communion 9 - 11

*Hymn "Were You There" 288

Changing of Altar Cloths (During Singing of Hymn)

*Benediction

*Acolyte

The congregation will depart in silence.

*The Congregation May Stand

Leading in Worship Tonight

Pastor: Donna Eidson
Pianist: Christopher A. McCroskey
Music Director: Jackie McNeill

On Holy Thursday evening we commemorate the supper Jesus shared with his disciples before his betrayal, arrest, condemnation, and crucifixion. The alternative title for this day, "Maundy Thursday", is derived from the Latin word for commandment (*mandatum*) and recalls the words of Jesus in giving a "new commandment" (*mandatum novum*) in John 13:34.

Paul refers in I Cor. 5:7 to Jesus as "our paschal lamb" - a reference to the animal sacrificed to make possible the Hebrews' deliverance from death and slavery in Egypt ("paschal" coming from the Hebrew *pesach*, meaning "deliverance" or "passover"). Christ is thus understood as the one who, by his self-offering, makes possible our own deliverance from slavery to sin and death.



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