

## **FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

Marshalltown, Iowa 50158  
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March 29, 2018

5:30 p.m.



### MAUNDY THURSDAY

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP** (Psalm 130:5-8)

Leader: I wait for the Lord, my whole being waits, and in His Word I put my hope.

**People: I wait for the Lord more than watchmen wait for the morning, more than watchmen wait for the morning.**

Leader: Israel, put your hope in the Lord, for with the Lord is unfailing love and with Him is full redemption.

**People: He Himself will redeem Israel from all their sins.**

#### **INVOCATION**

Leader: Father God, Your love lived in Jesus Christ, who washed His disciples on the night of His betrayal. Wash from us the stain of sin, so that, in hours of danger, we may not fail, but follow Your Son through every trial and praise Him to the world as Lord and Christ, to whom be glory now and forever. Amen

#### **STATEMENT ON MAUNDY THURSDAY**

Leader: 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 the disciples' feet giving us an example that we should do to others as He has done to 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.

#### **HYMN**

#305 *Jesus Paid It All*

#### **CALL TO CONFESSION** (Micah 7:7-9)

Leader: But as for me, I watch in hope for the Lord, I wait for God my Savior; my God will hear me. Do not gloat over me, my enemy! Though I have fallen, I will rise. Though I sit in darkness, the Lord will be my light. Because I have sinned against Him, I will bear the Lord's wrath, until He pleads my case and upholds my cause. He will bring me out into the light; I will see His righteousness.

Let us confess our sin and declare our need of God's unfailing love to bring us out of the darkness into His glorious light. Please join me in silent prayer.

#### **SILENT PRAYER**

#### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Unison: Gracious God, You are faithful to us in Your covenant, but we confess that we fail to fulfill Your will. We betray neighbors, desert our friends and run in fear when we should be loyal. Though You have bound Yourself to us, we will not bind ourselves to You. In our Lord Jesus Christ You serve us freely, but we refuse Your love and withhold ourselves from others. We do not love You fully or love one another as You command. Though you are faithful, we deny our allegiance to You when confronted by sinful people. In Your mercy, forgive and cleanse us, for we are a weak and willful people. Lead us once again to Your table and unite us to Christ, who is the bread of life and the vine from which we grow in grace. In Jesus' name, we pray, Amen.**

#### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. I declare to you, in the name of Jesus

Christ, you are forgiven. May the God of mercy, who forgives you all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit, keep you in eternal life. Amen.

#### **OFFERING**

(For the Deacons)

The Call

Baskets on each table

Doxology: (remain seated)

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen**

And Blessing: Blest Be the Tie That Binds (vs. 1)

***Blest be the tie that binds,  
Our hearts in Christian love;  
The fellowship of kindred minds,  
Is like to that above.***

#### **SCRIPTURE READING**

Matthew 26: 36-46

**MESSAGE:** "The Disciples at Gethsemane"

Rev. Dr. Ricard A. King

#### **SPECIAL MUSIC:**

*The Upper Room*

Don Besig

Chancel Choir

#### **SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION**

Invitation

Blessing

Distribution of elements

(As the bread is passed around the table, please serve your neighbor saying, next to you saying, "**Christ's body broken for you.**" Partake of the bread as you receive it. As the juice is passed around the table, please serve your neighbor saying, "**Christ's blood shed for you.**" Hold the juice so that we may partake of it together.)

#### **HYMN OF DEDICATION**

#310 *Lead Me to Calvary*

#### **BENEDICTION**

#### **POSTLUDE**