

**Paterson Memorial Church
Maundy Thursday
April 13, 2017**

Musical Prelude

Call to Worship

Hymn: An upper room did our Lord prepare

**An upper room did our Lord prepare
For those he loved until the end,
And his disciples still gather there
To celebrate their risen Friend.**

**A lasting gift Jesus gave his own-
To share his bread, his loving cup;
Whatever burdens may bow us down,
He by his cross shall lift us up.**

**And after supper he washed their feet,
For service too, is sacrament;
In him our joy shall be made complete-
Sent out to serve, as he was sent.**

Prayer of Approach

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Lord, we are sinners. We are broken people who have been hurt and who hurt each other. Have mercy Lord. Have mercy, Jesus, you who prayed for us even at your loneliest hour. Send your Spirit so that as we receive mercy, we may learn anew to show it to one another. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

**L. Hear the comforting words of Scripture:
Jesus himself bore our sins in his body on the cross,
so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. (1 Peter 2:24)**

All In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

The Peace

**Let us offer each other a sign of peace. Please shake hands with the person on your right and left and say,
*The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.***

Scripture Reading

1 Corinthians 11:17-26

Message

Foot Washing

Hymn: A new commandment

**A new commandment I give unto you,
That you love one another as I have loved you,
That you love one another as I have loved you.**

**By this shall all know you are my disciples:
If you have love one for another;**

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Repeat**

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayer (unison)

Ever gracious God, we gather this evening to share communion in your body and as your body. We come with scars and divisions, trusting in your healing and peace. Remind us in the breaking of the bread of our need and of your provision. Refresh us and make us whole with the cup of forgiveness. Draw us nearer to each other in mutual service and closer to you in the covenant of faithfulness and thanksgiving. As the night advances, deepen in us a sense of your steadfast love for us in Jesus Christ, our friend and redeemer. Amen.

Communion

Hymn: *Go to dark Gethsemane*

**Go to dark Gethsemane,
you that feel the tempter's power;
your Redeemer's conflict see,
watch with him one bitter hour.
From his grief turn not away;
learn of Jesus Christ to pray.**

Then Jesus and the disciples went out into the garden.
Watch and pray that you enter not into temptation.
Amen.