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BRIDGING FAITH & LEARNING

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

Maundy Thursday

Thursday, March 28, 2024, 7:00 p.m.



Károly Kernstok, *Last Supper*, 1921

Maundy Thursday marks the beginning of the climax of Holy Week, as Jesus shares his last meal with his friends before he is betrayed. The word “maundy” comes from the Latin word *mandatum* [*novum*], the first word of the Latin phrase meaning, “A new commandment I give unto you, that you love one another as I have loved you.” Jesus says this in John’s Gospel shortly after he washes the disciples’ feet. Maundy Thursday is also the night that Jesus instituted the Lord’s Supper with the words, “Do this in remembrance of me.” At the conclusion of the service, all worship articles and adornments are removed from the altar and chancel. This stripping symbolizes both the abandonment of Jesus by his disciples, and the stripping of Jesus by the soldiers before his crucifixion.

The congregation is asked to keep silence during the prelude as a time of prayer and meditation.

Gathering

Prelude

Pange lingua pour orgue
III. In supremæ nocte
IV. Verbum caro

Naji Hakim

On the night of the Last Supper, reclining with his friends, once the custom had been fully observed with the prescribed foods, as food to the twelve he gives himself. The Word as flesh makes true bread into flesh by a word, and the wine becomes the blood of Christ. And if sense is deficient to strengthen a sincere heart, faith alone suffices.

—Medieval Latin text

Greeting and Call to Worship

*Opening Hymn | UMH 290

Go to Dark Gethsemane

REDHEAD 76

*Prayer of Confession | In unison:

God of grace, you have come to us in our Savior Christ, but we have reviled him, denied him, even betrayed him with a kiss. We have not faithfully followed his commandment to love one another as he has loved us. Reveal your love through the bread and wine we share tonight, since your love is constant in the face of our infidelity. Restore us by the power of your Holy Spirit, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The minister speaks words of assurance.

*The Peace | All exchange signs and words of God's peace.

Minister: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

*All rise as able

Proclamation

Prayer of Illumination | In unison:

Gracious God, we do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from your mouth. Make us hungry for this heavenly food, that it may nourish us today in the ways of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, the bread of heaven. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson | OT page 56 in the pew Bible.

Exodus 12:1–14

Lector: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

*Gospel Lesson | NT pages 101–102 in the pew Bible.

John 13: 1–17, 31–35

Lector: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Meaningless Conversations in Meaningful Times

Response

Foot Washing | During the singing of the response hymn and anthem, the congregation is invited to participate in the act of foot washing in either of the transepts of the Chapel. Worshipers are invited to wash the feet of another person and to have their own feet washed by pouring water from a pitcher over each other's feet and into a basin in an act of prayerful service.

*Response Hymn | See hymn printed at the end of worship guide.

Great God, Your Love Has Called Us

RYBURN

Anthem

Ubi Caritas

Ola Gjeilo

Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.
Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor.
Exsultemus et in ipso Deum vivum.
Timeamus et amemus Deum vivum.
Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero. Amen.

*Where charity and love are, God is there.
We are gathered into one by the love of Christ.
Let us rejoice in the living God.
Let us fear and love the living God.
And let us love one another with a sincere heart. Amen.*

—*Latin hymn, c. 9th cent.*

Thanksgiving and Communion

***The Great Thanksgiving** | Musical Setting D, found on page 23 in the hymnal.

***The Lord's Prayer** | All are encouraged to pray the Lord's Prayer in the language of their choosing. The English text can be found at 895 in the pew hymnal.

Sharing of the Bread and Wine | All who love Christ, earnestly repent of their sins, and seek to be at peace with God and neighbor are invited to receive Communion. Bread and wine are used for communion. After a server places bread in your hands, you may receive wine by dipping your bread into the chalice. If you desire gluten-free bread or grape juice, or to drink from a common cup, these are available from servers at the front near Memorial Chapel and near the back opposite the attendant's desk. If you will not receive Communion, you are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest.

Communion Hymn | UMH 631

O Food to Pilgrims Given

O WELT, ICH MUSS DICH LASSEN

Communion Anthem

Ave Verum Corpus

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
(1756–1791)

Ave verum corpus natum de Maria Virgine:
vere passum immolatum in cruce pro homine:
cuius latus perforatum unda fluxit et sanguine:
esto nobis praegustatum in mortis examine.

*Hail, true body, born of the Virgin Mary,
who has truly suffered, was sacrificed on the cross for mortals,
whose side was pierced, whence flowed [water] and blood:
Be for us a foretaste of heaven in the hour of death.*

—attr. Pope Innocent III (1198–1216)

Sending Forth

The Stripping of the Altar | As Psalm 22 is chanted by the cantors, the vestments and paraments are removed from the chancel, and the cross is draped in black cloth. Once the ministers have departed, the people may continue in prayer or depart in silence. The absence of a benediction and postlude is to remind us that the story of Christ's passion and death continues on Good Friday.

TODAY IN WORSHIP

Presiding Ministers

Racquel Gill *Minister for Intercultural Engagement, Duke University Chapel*
Luke A. Powery *Dean, Duke University Chapel*

Preacher

Marc Lavarin *Pastor, First Calvary Baptist Church, Durham, NC; Divinity '18*

Lector

Mallory Poff *Pratt '25*

Musicians

Duke Chapel Choir *Choir*
Zebulon Highben *Director of Chapel Music, Duke University Chapel*
Chad Fothergill *Chapel Organist, Duke University Chapel*

Danielle Assessor *Cantor*
Kirsten Overdahl *Cantor*

Head Usher

James Ferguson *Member, Congregation at Duke Chapel*

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Today’s Guest Preacher | The Rev. Marc Antoine Lavarin serves as the eighth Pastor of the First Calvary Baptist Church in Durham, North Carolina. His passion lies at the intersection of faith, education, and policy, where he hopes to inspire communities to be moral and ethical agents of change. Prior to his call to First Calvary, Rev. Lavarin served as an assistant minister at the historic Alfred Street Baptist Church in Alexandria. He is a published author, including his recent book chapter titled “Let the Schoolhouse Say Amen: The Pedagogical Congruency Between the Black Church and Critical Literacy.” He holds a bachelor of science in political science from Northeastern University and a master of divinity from Duke University, where he received the Martin Luther King Jr. and Dean scholarships. A proud member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., he was ordained at the Evangelical First Haitian Baptist Church of Worcester, Massachusetts, under the direction of his father, Rev. Antoine Lavarin.

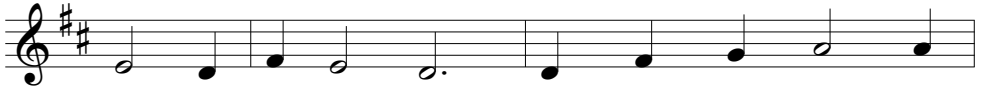
Holy Week and Easter | Join us as we move through the passion, death, and resurrection of Christ with worship services and concerts during Holy Week and Easter. See the full schedule at chapel.duke.edu/holyweek.

- **Procession of the Stations of the Cross**—Friday, March 29, at 11:30 a.m. on the Duke Chapel Quad
- **Good Friday Noon Service**—Friday, March 29, at 12-noon
- **Good Friday Tenebrae**— Friday, March 29, at 7:30 p.m.
- **Holy Saturday Organ Recital**—Saturday, March 30, at 12-noon in Goodson Chapel at Duke Divinity School
- **Easter Sunrise Service**—Sunday, March 31, at 6:30 a.m. in Duke Gardens
- **Easter Service with Holy Communion**—Sunday, March 31, at 9:00 a.m.
- **Easter Day Service**—Sunday, March 31, at 11:00 a.m.
- **Easter Day Choral Evensong**— Sunday, March 31, at 4:00 p.m.

RESPONSE HYMN | Great God, Your Love Has Called Us



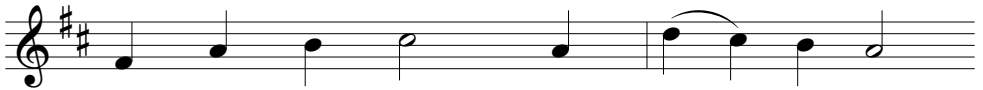
1. Great God, your love has called us here, as we, by
2. We come with self - in - flict - ed pains of bro - ken
3. Great God, in Christ, you call our name and then re -
4. Then take the towel, and break the bread, and hum - ble
5. Great God, in Christ, you set us free your life to



love, for love were made. Your liv - ing like - ness
trust and cho - sen wrong, half - free, half - bound by
ceive us as your own, not through some mer - it,
us, and call us friends. Suf - fer and serve till
live, your joy to share. Give us your Spir - it's



still we bear, though marred, dis - hon - ored, dis - o - beyed.
in - ner chains, by so - cial forc - es swept a - long,
right or claim, but by your gra - cious love a - lone.
all are fed, and show how grand - ly love in - tends
lib - er - ty to turn from guilt and dull de - spair,



We come, with all our heart and mind
by pow'rs and sys - tems close con - fined,
We strain to glimpse your mer - cy seat
to work till all cre - a - tion sings,
and of - fer all that faith can do



your call to hear, your love to find.
yet seek - ing hope for hu - man - kind.
and find you kneel - ing at our feet.
to fill all worlds, to crown all things.
while love is mak - ing all things new.

ACCESSIBILITY

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