

# Welcome to Derry Presbyterian Church

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## Service for Maundy Thursday

PRELUDE

*Adagio for Strings*  
Dan Dorty, Director of Music and Organist

Samuel Barber

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Stephen McKinney-Whitaker

### JESUS GATHERS WITH HIS DISCIPLES IN AN UPPER ROOM

INTROIT

*Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart*  
Christyan Seay, Tenor

Ron Harris

CALL TO WORSHIP

M. E. Steelman

In the growing darkness we gather.

**Our Lenten journey has brought us here.**

Jesus, our Teacher and Lord, sets before us:

**a towel, a bowl, bread, a cup.**

He gives us an example and a commandment ever-new:

**to love one another as he has loved us.**

This is how everyone will know we are his disciples,

**when we love each other.**

\*HYMN 202

*An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare*

O WALY WALY

*We present the Light of Christ, the Book of Remembrance, the Font of Identity,  
the Bread of Heaven, the Cup of Salvation, and the Basin and Towel.*

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*Unison*)

Rev. McKinney-Whitaker

Lord Jesus Christ, how well you know our hearts,

**And still you love us. You have loved us to the end.**

We have denied you,

**And we have denied our calling to serve one another.**

We have betrayed you,

**And we have betrayed your commandment to love one another.**

Pour out your Spirit of grace upon us.

**Teach us to love and serve you faithfully and to love and serve one another by  
the example you have set for us. In your holy name we pray, Amen.**

\*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS (based on John 12:47; 13:1)

Jesus said: "I came not to judge the world, but to save the world"

and "having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end."

Friends, remember your baptism and believe the good news of the Gospel.

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

CHORAL RESPONSE

*Of Tears and Sorrows*

arr. Martin

Sanctuary Choir with Linda Trescher, Soprano and Christyan Seay, Tenor  
Mary Lemons, Accompanist

**JESUS SHOWS HIS DISCIPLES HOW TO SERVE**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

John 13:1-17

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

\*HYMN 203

*Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love*

CHEREPONI

SCRIPTURE READING

John 13:31-38

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

"God So Loved the World" from *The Crucifixion*  
Sanctuary Choir

John Stainer

**JESUS SHARES THE SUPPER WITH HIS DISCIPLES**

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 22:7-23

HYMN 498

*Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken*

BEACH SPRING

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE: Recognition of Children & Sacraments Class

M. E. Steelman

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Why do we give thanks and praise before this table?

**We give thanks for God's work of creation, liberation, and salvation.**

It is indeed right, our duty and delight, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to you, O holy Lord, eternal God. You created the heavens and the earth and all that is in them. You made us in your own image, and in countless ways you show us your mercy. Therefore, we join our voices to sing your praise of your new commandment:

HYMN 205

*Live in Charity*

UBI CARITAS

*The Sacrament class will sing it through once, then the congregation joins in to sing it twice more.*

**Live in charity and steadfast love.**

**Live in charity. God will dwell with you.**

All glory and blessing are yours, O Holy God, for in your mercy you gave your only Son, Jesus Christ. He took our human nature and suffered death on the cross for our redemption. There he made a perfect sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. We praise you that before he suffered and died, our Savior gave us this holy sacrament and commanded us to continue it until he comes again.

**Why do we eat bread at this table?**

On the night before he died, Jesus took bread. After giving thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat. This is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

**Why do we drink from the cup at this table?**

The same night Jesus took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant sealed in my blood, shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in remembrance of me."

What do we remember at this table?

**We remember God's gracious love for us, and how his life, death, and resurrection reconciled us to God, defeated death, and promised life. We remember the great mystery of faith: Christ has come among us. Christ has died. Christ has risen. Christ abides with us. Christ will come again.**

Merciful God, pour out your Holy Spirit on these gifts of bread and wine, that in eating and drinking we may be made one with Christ and one another.

**AMEN.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

*All our bread and juice is gluten, soy, dairy, and nut free.*

Please eat the bread and drink the cup as you are served.

Share these words as you serve one another:

At the bread: **The bread of heaven.**

At the cup: **The cup of salvation.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**O Lord our God, we rise from this table knowing a love beyond our deserving. Thank you for giving us a place at your table, for serving us the bread of life, for offering to us, even to us, the cup of salvation. In Christ we pray, Amen.**

**JESUS PRAYS IN THE GARDEN OF GETHSEMANE**

\*HYMN 220

*Go to Dark Gethsemane (vss 1-3)*

REDHEAD

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 22:39-46

HYMN 204

*Stay with Me*

STAY WITH ME

*Children sing first then congregation repeats 2 times.*

**Stay with me, remain here with me. Watch and pray. Watch and pray.**

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 22:47-53

SOLO

*Were You There?*  
Christyan Seay, Tenor

arr. Moses Hogan

Following the solo, the chancel will be stripped of the symbols of our faith, preparing us for the reality of Good Friday. The congregation is asked to wait until the lights are dimmed and then leave the Sanctuary and church building in silence.