

# Maundy Thursday Service

Welcome to this warm and caring family of believers in Christ. Whatever your spiritual position– skeptic, seeker after God, or follower of Jesus Christ– we welcome you. We are delighted that you have chosen to celebrate the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ with us.

## Nursery

Available for children ages 0-3 years old; down the hallway in room 111

## About Faith Church

Faith Presbyterian Church was founded in 1936. We are a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America. We believe the Bible to be God's written and inerrant Word and receive the Westminster confession of Faith as our doctrinal standard. We celebrate the Lord's Supper on the first Sunday of each month. Our Sunday morning Worship Services meet at 9:00 & 11:15 am. Hear us on WDEL 101.7 FM & 1150 AM from 9:30-10:00 am each Sunday morning.

## Upcoming Events

### **EASTER EGG HUNT**

- This Saturday, April 19, at 10 am for our community
- Snacks and fun activities for kids through age 10

### **EASTER SUNDAY WORSHIP**

- Contemporary Worship at 9:00 a.m.
- Traditional Worship at 11:15 a.m.

## Maundy Thursday

Maundy Thursday worship commemorates the institution of the Lord's Supper on the night of his betrayal. The word Maundy comes from the Latin *mandatum* meaning command from John 13:34, "A new command I give you: Love one another."

# The Passion According to Matthew

*Communion will be served to the congregation while seated this evening.  
A gluten-free option is available in the center of the tray.*

**Prelude: When I Survey the Wondrous Cross ..... Dan Forrest**

**Welcome & Prayer of Invocation ..... Pastor Kevin Koslowsky**

## Prologue

**Responsive Reading..... John 11:47-51, 53**

*Then the chief priests and Pharisees convened the Sanhedrin and said,  
“What are we to do? This man is performing many signs. If we let Him go  
on like this, everyone will believe in Him, and then the Romans will come  
and take away both our place and our nation.”*

**But one of them, named Caiaphas, who was high priest that year,  
said to them, “You know nothing at all! You do not realize that it  
is better for you that one man die for the people than that the  
whole nation perish.”**

*So from that day on they plotted to kill Him.*

## The Passion According to Matthew

**Matthew 26:1-2, 14-16**

**When Jesus had finished all these sayings, he said to his disciples,  
“You know that after two days the Passover is coming, and the  
Son of Man will be delivered up to be crucified.”**

*Then one of the twelve, whose name was Judas Iscariot, went to the chief  
priests and said, “What will you give me if I deliver him over to you?” And  
they paid him thirty pieces of silver. And from that moment he sought an  
opportunity to betray him.*

**\*Hymn: Stricken, Smitten and Afflicted ..... No. 257**

*\*Indicates standing for those who are able*

*Stanza 3*

Ye who think of sin but lightly nor suppose the evil great  
Here may view its nature rightly, here its guilt may estimate  
Mark the sacrifice appointed, see who bears the awful load  
Tis the Word, the Lord's anointed, Son of Man and Son of God

**Responsive Reading..... Matthew 26:20-25, 30-35**

*When it was evening, he reclined at table with the twelve. And as they were eating, he said, "Truly, I say to you, one of you will betray me." And they were very sorrowful and began to say to him one after another, "Is it I, Lord?" He answered, "He who has dipped his hand in the dish with me will betray me. The Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that man if he had not been born." Judas, who would betray him, answered, "Is it I, Rabbi?" He said to him, "You have said so."*

**And when they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. Then Jesus said to them, "You will all fall away because of me this night. For it is written, 'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be scattered.' But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee." Peter answered him, "Though they all fall away because of you, I will never fall away." Jesus said to him, "Truly, I tell you, this very night, before the rooster crows, you will deny me three times." Peter said to him, "Even if I must die with you, I will not deny you!" And all the disciples said the same."**

**\*Hymn: 'Tis Midnight; and on Olive's Brow..... No. 249**

**Pastoral Reading.....Matthew 26:47-56**

*While he was still speaking, Judas came, one of the twelve, and with him a great crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests and the elders of the people. Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, "The one I will kiss is the man; seize him." And he came up to Jesus at once and said, "Greetings, Rabbi!" And he kissed him. Jesus said to him, "Friend, do what you came to do." Then they came up and laid hands on Jesus and seized him. And behold, one of those who were with Jesus stretched out his hand*

*and drew his sword and struck the servant[g] of the high priest and cut off his ear. Then Jesus said to him, "Put your sword back into its place. For all who take the sword will perish by the sword. Do you think that I cannot appeal to my Father, and he will at once send me more than twelve legions of angels? But how then should the Scriptures be fulfilled, that it must be so?" At that hour Jesus said to the crowds, "Have you come out as against a robber, with swords and clubs to capture me? Day after day I sat in the temple teaching, and you did not seize me. But all this has taken place that the Scriptures of the prophets might be fulfilled." Then all the disciples left him and fled.*

**Special Music: Psalm 22:9-12..... Heinrich Schütz (1585-1672)**

*Choral Ensemble*

You took me from my mother's womb  
To trust you at my mother's breasts;  
Since birth when I was cast on You  
In you, O God, I place my rest

Be not far off, for grief is near,  
And no one's help can aught be found,  
For bulls of Bashan, in their strength  
Strong bulls encircle me around.  
Alleluia.

**Responsive Reading.....Matthew 26:57-68**

*Then those who had seized Jesus led him to Caiaphas the high priest, where the scribes and the elders had gathered. And Peter was following him at a distance, as far as the courtyard of the high priest, and going inside he sat with the guards to see the end.*

Now the chief priests and the whole council were seeking false testimony against Jesus that they might put him to death, but they found none, though many false witnesses came forward. At last two came forward and said, "This man said, 'I am able to destroy the temple of God, and to rebuild it in three days.'" And the high priest stood up and said, "Have you no answer to make? What is it that these men testify against you?" But Jesus remained silent.

*And the high priest said to him, "I adjure you by the living God, tell us if you are the Christ, the Son of God." Jesus said to him, "You have said so. But I tell you, from now on you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of Power and coming on the clouds of heaven." Then the high priest tore his robes and said, "He has uttered blasphemy. What further witnesses do we need? You have now heard his blasphemy. What is your judgment?" They answered, "He deserves death." Then they spit in his face and struck him. And some slapped him, saying, "Prophecy to us, you Christ! Who is it that struck you?"*

**Special Music: Psalm 22:13-14..... Heinrich Schütz (1585-1672)**

*Choral Ensemble*

Their lion's jaws, they open wide; they roar to terrify their prey,  
My heart is wax, my bones unknit, my life is melting away.

**Pastoral Reading.....Matthew 26:69-75**

*Now Peter was sitting outside in the courtyard. And a servant girl came up to him and said, "You also were with Jesus the Galilean." But he denied it before them all, saying, "I do not know what you mean." And when he went out to the entrance, another servant girl saw him, and she said to the bystanders, "This man was with Jesus of Nazareth." And again he denied it with an oath: "I do not know the man." After a little while the bystanders came up and said to Peter, "Certainly you too are one of them, for your accent betrays you." Then he began to invoke a curse on himself and to swear, "I do not know the man." And immediately the rooster crowed. And Peter remembered the saying of Jesus, "Before the rooster crows, you will deny me three times." And he went out and wept bitterly.*

**Special Music: Psalm 22:1-2 .....Jan Pietersoon Sweelinck (1562-1621)**

*Choral Ensemble*

My God, My God why have you forsaken me,  
Far from your aid, your help, and sore oppressed,  
And far from my complaint, and cries that I addressed?  
By day and night, I call to you without ceasing  
And yet your voice, your Holy voice gives me no answer.  
I cry by night but find no rest,  
No sound to quench the voice of my complaint.

**Meditation ..... Pastor Kevin Koslowsky**

# The Lord's Supper

**O Sacred Head, Now Wounded..... Dan Forrest**

Words of Institution

Matthew 26:26-29 (NIV)

*While they were eating, Jesus took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to the disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body." Then he took the cup, gave thanks and offered it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you. This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. I tell you, I will not drink of this fruit of the vine from now on until that day when I drink it anew with you in my Father's kingdom."*

Invitation to the Table & Prayer

Serving of the Bread & Cup

**Responsive Reading.....Matthew 27:1-2, 11-26**

*When morning came, all the chief priests and the elders of the people took counsel against Jesus to put him to death. And they bound him and led him away and delivered him over to Pilate the governor.*

**Now Jesus stood before the governor, and the governor asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus said, "You have said so." But when he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he gave no answer. Then Pilate said to him, "Do you not hear how many things they testify against you?" But he gave him no answer, not even to a single charge, so that the governor was greatly amazed.**

*Now at the feast the governor was accustomed to release for the crowd any one prisoner whom they wanted. And they had then a notorious prisoner called Barabbas. So when they had gathered, Pilate said to them, "Whom do you want me to release for you: Barabbas, or Jesus who is called Christ?" For he knew that it was out of envy that they had delivered him up. Besides, while he was sitting on the judgment seat, his wife sent word to him, "Have nothing to do with that righteous man, for I have suffered much because of him today in a dream." Now the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowd to ask for Barabbas and destroy Jesus. The governor again said to them, "Which of the two do you want me to release for you?" And they said, "Barabbas." Pilate said to them, "Then what shall I do with Jesus who is called Christ?" They all said, "Let him be crucified!" And he said, "Why? What evil has he done?" But they shouted all the more, "Let him be crucified!"*

So when Pilate saw that he was gaining nothing, but rather that a riot was beginning, he took water and washed his hands before the crowd, saying, “I am innocent of this man's blood; see to it yourselves.” And all the people answered, “His blood be on us and on our children!” Then he released for them Barabbas, and having scourged Jesus, delivered him to be crucified.

**Special Music: Psalm 22:3-4 ..... Heinrich Schütz (1585-1672)**

*Choral Ensemble*

Yet you, O God, you are holy  
enthroned on praises of Israel,  
In you our fathers trusted;  
and you, Most High, delivered them. Alleluia!

**Pastoral Reading.....Matthew 27:27-31**

*Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the governor's headquarters, and they gathered the whole battalion before him. And they stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, and twisting together a crown of thorns, they put it on his head and put a reed in his right hand. And kneeling before him, they mocked him, saying, “Hail, King of the Jews!” And they spit on him and took the reed and struck him on the head. And when they had mocked him, they stripped him of the robe and put his own clothes on him and led him away to crucify him.*

**Special Music: My God, My God, Why Have You Abandoned Me?**

*Congregation with Choral Ensemble*

Refrain

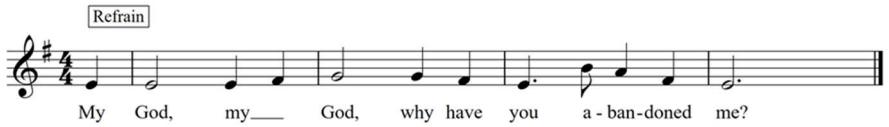


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**Psalm 22:16-17 ..... Francesca LaRosa (2021)**

*Choral Ensemble*

Indeed, many dogs encompass me;  
a pack of evildoers closes in upon me;  
they have pierced my hands and feet—  
I can count all my bones—



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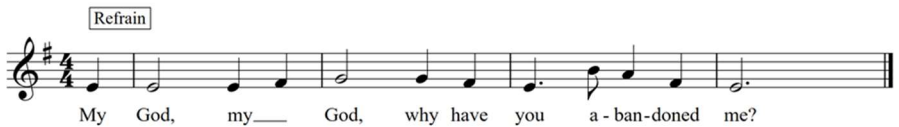
## Pastoral Reading.....Matthew 27:32-36

*As they went out, they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name. They compelled this man to carry his cross. And when they came to a place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull), they offered him wine to drink, mixed with gall, but when he tasted it, he would not drink it. And when they had crucified him, they divided his garments among them by casting lots. Then they sat down and kept watch over him there.*

## Psalm 22:18-19

*Choral Ensemble*

They divide my garments among them,  
and for my clothing they cast lots.  
But you, O Lord, be not far from me  
O my Help, hasten to aid me



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## Pastoral Reading.....Matthew 27:37-44

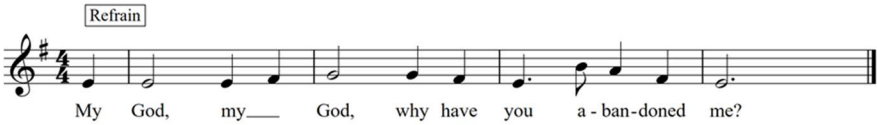
*And over his head they put the charge against him, which read, "This is Jesus, the King of the Jews." Then two robbers were crucified with him, one on the right and one on the left. And those who passed by derided him, wagging their heads and saying, "You who would destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, save yourself! If you are the Son of God, come down from the cross." So also the chief priests, with the scribes and elders, mocked him, saying, "He saved others; he cannot save himself. He is the King of Israel; let him come down now from the cross, and we will believe in him. He trusts in God; let God deliver him now, if he desires him. For he said, 'I am the Son of God.'" And the robbers who were crucified with him also reviled him in the same way.*



**Psalm 22:7-8**

*Choral Ensemble*

All who see me scoff at me;  
They mock me with parted lips  
They wag their heads  
“He relied on the Lord, let him deliver him  
Let him rescue him if he loves him.”



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**Pastoral Reading.....Matthew 27:45-49**

*Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land until the ninth hour. And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, “Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?” that is, “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?” And some of the bystanders, hearing it, said, “This man is calling Elijah.” And one of them at once ran and took a sponge, filled it with sour wine, and put it on a reed and gave it to him to drink. But the others said, “Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him.”*

**Psalm 22:23-24**

*Choral Ensemble*

You who fear the Lord, praise him  
All you descendants of Jacob, give glory to him,  
Revere him all you descendants of Jacob  
My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

**Pastoral Reading.....Matthew 27:50-54**

*And Jesus cried out again with a loud voice and yielded up his spirit. And behold, the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. And the earth shook, and the rocks were split. The tombs also were opened. And many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised, and coming out of the tombs after his resurrection they went into the holy city and appeared to many. When the centurion and those who were with him, keeping watch over Jesus, saw the earthquake and what took place, they were filled with awe and said, “Truly this was the Son of God!”*

**Special Music: Psalm 22.....Edwin Wilmington (2023)**

*Choral Ensemble*

Though from first breath Your hand led me,  
And my days through You were blessed,  
Now, O God, I cry each morning, pray all night but find no rest,  
While my eyes are turned to heaven, deepest night is all I see,  
Cast aside, my spirit broken, has my God forsaken me?

Bared and battered, my life poured out, trouble waits outside the door,  
Throngs of wicked ones surround me, will I perish by their sword?  
Yet I feel it – peace unshaken, and I hear my Shepherd say:  
Peace, be still, for I am near you; by your side I will remain.

All who hunger, all who wander, all who seek the God of peace  
Lift your voices to the heavens, shouting praise that will not cease!  
Generations tell the story of God's love across the earth;  
Light in darkness, Hope in trial, is our King of endless worth.

## Epilogue

**Pastoral Reading.....Matthew 26:57-60**

*When it was evening, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who also was a disciple of Jesus. He went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then Pilate ordered it to be given to him. And Joseph took the body and wrapped it in a clean linen shroud and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had cut in the rock. And he rolled a great stone to the entrance of the tomb and went away.*

**Postlude: Hallelujah! What a Savior ..... arr. Dan Forrest**

## *Special Thanks*

Director: David Giardiniere      Keyboards: Christopher Kraus

Choral Ensemble: Frank Barlow, Nancy Cowchok, Rebecca Cowchok,  
Adrienne Giardiniere, Marilee Giardiniere, Laura Koslowsky, Harold  
Naylor, Nancy Rowles, Bill Scott, Michael Thomas, Bill Troppman

## Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted

*We considered him stricken by God, smitten by him, and afflicted. Is. 53:4*

1. Strick - en, smit - ten, and af - flict - ed, see him dy - ing on the tree!  
 2. Tell me, ye who hear him groan - ing, was there ev - er grief like his?  
 3. Ye who think of sin but light - ly nor sup - pose the e - vil great  
 4. Here we have a firm foun - da - tion, here the ref - uge of the lost;

'Tis the Christ by man re - ject - ed; yes, my soul, 'tis he, 'tis he!  
 Friends thro' fear his cause dis - own - ing, foes in - sult - ing his dis - tress;  
 here may view its na - ture right - ly, here its guilt may es - ti - mate.  
 Christ's the Rock of our sal - va - tion, his the name of which we boast.

'Tis the long - ex - pect - ed Proph - et, Da - vid's son, yet Da - vid's Lord;  
 man - y hands were raised to wound him, none would in - ter - pose to save;  
 Mark the sac - ri - fice ap - point - ed, see who bears the aw - ful load;  
 Lamb of God, for sin - ners wound - ed, sac - ri - fice to can - cel guilt!

by his Son God now has spo - ken: 'tis the true and faith - ful Word.  
 but the deep - est stroke that pierced him was the stroke that Jus - tice gave.  
 'tis the Word, the Lord's A - noint - ed, Son of Man and Son of God.  
 None shall ev - er be con - found - ed who on him their hope have built.

## 'Tis Midnight; and on Olive's Brow

*Jesus went out as usual to the Mount of Olives. Luke 22:39*

1. 'Tis mid - night; and on Ol - ive's brow the star is  
 2. 'Tis mid - night; and, from all re - moved, Em - man - uel  
 3. 'Tis mid - night; and, for oth - ers' guilt, the Man of  
 4. 'Tis mid - night; from the heav'n - ly plains is borne the

dimmed that late - ly shone: 'tis mid - night; in the  
 wres - tles lone with fears: e'en the dis - ci - ple  
 Sor - rows weeps in blood: yet he that hath in  
 song that an - gels know: un - heard by mor - tals

gar - den now the suf - f'ring Sav - ior prays a - lone.  
 that he loved heeds not his Mas - ter's grief and tears.  
 an - guish knelt is not for - sak - en by his God.  
 are the strains that sweet - ly soothe the Sav - ior's woe.