



WESTMINSTER
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH

Maundy Thursday

April 14, 2022

7:00 p.m.



Covenant Network Congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA)
Earth Care Congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA)
Matthew 25 Congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA)

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Order of Worship

PRELUDE

O Mankind, Mourn Your Great Sins

J.S. Bach

THE ANOINTING AT BETHANY

Matthew 26:6-13

Shelley Gnade and Mary-beth Howard

GATHERING WORDS

This is the night when Jesus —
the Bread of Life, the True Vine —
shared a holy meal with his closest friends
and established a new covenant of love.

We gather to feast at the table of grace.

This is the night when Jesus —
God's Anointed One —
was betrayed into the hands of sinners
and led away to suffer and die.

We gather to keep awake and to pray.

This is the night when we, the followers of Jesus —
recognize ourselves in sacred story:
we are those who deny, those who betray,
but also those who watch, those who stay.

**We gather as God's people, flawed but faithful,
to worship the One who loves us to the end.**

*HYMN NO. 209

My Song Is Love Unknown

LOVE UNKNOWN

Vs. 1 & 5: All

Vs. 2: Women

Vs. 3: Choir

Vs. 4: Men

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Eternal God, whose covenant with us is never broken,
we confess that we fail to fulfill your will.
Though you have bound yourself to us,
we will not bind ourselves to you.
In 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.**

**In your mercy, forgive us.
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. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

HYMN NO. 202

An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare (Vs. 1 & 2)

O WALY WALY

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE:

JESUS BREAKS BREAD WITH HIS DISCIPLES

Luke 22:14-23

Sudie Niesen Thompson

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Gregory Knox Jones

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Eternal God...

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER FOLLOWING COMMUNION

**Holy God, we thank you for this feast of grace.
As we have been served, help us to serve our neighbors.
As we have been fed, help us to feed all who are hungry.
As we have been loved, help us to love the world —
because in Christ Jesus you have loved us. Amen.**

ANTHEM

Stay With Us

Egil Hovland

Stay with us, Lord Jesus. It soon is evening and night is falling.
Jesus Christ, the world's true light, shines where the darkness cannot overcome it.
Let your light pierce the darkness and fill the church with its glory.

JESUS PRAYS IN GETHSAMANE

Mark 14:32-42

Jon McPheeters

THE BETRAYAL AND ARREST OF JESUS

Mark 14:43-50

Suzie Hurlock and Robert Moore

HYMN NO. 220	<i>Go to Dark Gethsemane</i> (Vs. 1 & 2)	REDHEAD 76
PETER DENIES JESUS	Matthew 26:69-75	Carol Shortlidge
HYMN No. 218	<i>Ah, Holy Jesus</i> (Vs. 1 & 2)	HERZLIEBSTER JESU
JESUS BEFORE PILATE	Mark 15:1-5	Kris DeMesse
JESUS SENTENCED TO DEATH	Mark 15:6-15	Teresa Wemhoff
HYMN No. 206	<i>This Is the Night</i> (Vs. 1 & 4)	MY NEIGHBOR
THE CRUCIFIXION OF JESUS	Luke 23:32-38	Jill Getty
THE DEATH OF JESUS	Luke 23:39-49	Jan Harrison
HYMN NO. 227	<i>Jesus, Remember Me</i>	REMEMBER ME
THE BURIAL OF JESUS	Matthew 27:57-61	Kyle Carrick
*HYMN NO. 228	<i>Were You There</i>	WERE YOU THERE

Please depart in silence.

Westminster by Heart is a lay group from our congregation committed to telling the stories of scripture. We have embraced the discipline and spiritual commitment of learning these passages by heart so that our congregation may experience the Bible the same way it was first heard, traveling to the hearts of believers on the breath of the teller. Our group is open to any and all who share a passion for the story. For more information, contact Shelley Gnade (shelley.gnade@gmail.com) or Mary-beth Howard (m-b@comcast.net).

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NEW COVID-19 Mask Policy and Safety Measures

Updated March 29, 2022

Mask Policy and Sanctuary Seating

The side transepts and the first five pews in the center section of the sanctuary (the nave) are open seating and mask optional. You may sit where you wish in these sections. Please access these sections via the lectern-side transept door off the main hallway. Masks and social distancing are required in the back part of the nave and the balcony. Masks must fully cover the nose and mouth and be worn at all times in these sections. Please access these sections through the narthex (behind the screen at the rear of the sanctuary). Ushers at the sanctuary entrances will be available to direct you to your preferred section. The choir will wear their masks when singing, but may remove them when they are not singing. Everyone is still required to wear masks in the remainder of the building. This includes Rodney Chapel, the main hallway, restrooms, classrooms, and Community Hall. This is to protect our young children who are not eligible for a vaccine and those who are immunocompromised. Again, masks must fully cover the nose and mouth.

Safety Measures

We are committed to your safety during the pandemic. No-touch hand sanitizing stations are located near the doors and in the hallways. The sanctuary, Rodney Chapel, the main hallway and the staff wing are all equipped with the same high grade air filters as in hospitals plus air purifying devices that use needle-point bi-polar ionization on the air handlers that operate in these areas. These devices break down viruses, bacteria, mold, allergens, smoke, and odors in the air. These devices, along with the fact that we have a very high vaccination rate among our worshipers, makes Westminster one of the safest environments you can find.

CONFIRMATION CLASS 2021–2022 SERVICE PROJECT

Through April 16

*Thank
you*

Through April 16, the Confirmation Class of 2022 is asking for donations toward the Hanover Food Closet. Items may include:

- Bath and hygiene supplies
- Toiletries
- Feminine hygiene products
- Infant formula, wipes, and diapers
- Cleaning and laundry supplies.

All donations can be placed inside the bins located at the church entrances.

Thank you for your kindness and generosity!



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Holy Week AT WESTMINSTER

PALM/PASSION SUNDAY (APRIL 10)

Worship – 9:00 a.m. (Sanctuary) and 11:15 a.m. (Rodney Chapel)

Palm Sunday begins the final week in the life of Jesus. The Westminster Choir, joined by trumpet and organ, will herald Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. Join us in person or watch the 9 a.m. service live on our [YouTube channel](#).

MAUNDY THURSDAY (APRIL 14)

Worship – 7 p.m. (Sanctuary)

The service includes scripture passages recounting the Passion and death of Christ, told by our Biblical Storytellers, *Westminster By Heart*, with stirring music by the Westminster Choir and organ. Join us in person or watch live on our [YouTube channel](#).

EASTER VIGIL (APRIL 16)

Worship – 5 p.m. (begins on Westminster's front lawn)

Since the early days of the church, Christians have gathered on the eve of Easter to remember God's work throughout time, beginning with creation and culminating in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Join us for a family-friendly worship service on this Saturday evening as we tell the story of God's love for us, receive our Confirmation Class into membership, and celebrate communion. Please note: The Easter Vigil is a traveling service and includes opportunities for congregational participation, so comfortable clothes and shoes are recommended! Join us in person or watch live on our [YouTube channel](#). The livestream of the Easter Vigil service will begin when the congregation enters the sanctuary (approximately 5:10 p.m.).

EASTER SUNDAY (APRIL 17)

Worship – 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Christ is risen! Join us for festive worship services celebrating Christ's triumphant resurrection, with an inspirational sermon by Dr. Jones and joyous music led by the Westminster Choir, the Philadelphia Brass, percussion, and organ. Craig Checkel and Susan Spilecki will play Easter hymns on the tower chime before and after the services. Join us in person or watch the 9 a.m. service live on our [YouTube channel](#).

Easter Celebration – 10 a.m.

See announcement below.



Easter Celebration!

**Sunday, April 17
10–11 a.m.**

The WPC Deacons are excited to host an Easter Celebration on the church lawn between the two worship services!

Lawn Games • Mini Bounce House for Younger Children • Easter Egg Hunt for All Ages

The Easter Egg Hunt will begin at 10:15 a.m. for ages 4 and under, followed by a hunt for ages 5–8, and then a hunt for ages 9 and older. We will have bags for anyone to decorate, but of course you are welcome to bring your own basket. If you aren't up for games, just stop by to reconnect or make new friends! Donuts, muffins, bananas, and beverages (coffee, tea, juice, and water) will be served for your enjoyment. We hope to see you there!

