# Gaithersburg Presbyterian Church – March 28, 2024 Maundy Thursday Church in person and Livestream on YouTube at 7:00 pm



#### Welcome

Welcome to all! Please register your attendance with the QR code on the back of the bulletin, or with the online link, or on paper in the church Gathering Space. Need help? Ask any usher.

Opening Music	"O Sacred Head, Now Wounded"	(Passion Chorale)
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## Call to Worship [responsive]

In remembrance, we gather:

to be with the One who teaches us the meaning of faithfulness.

In remembrance, we worship:

lifting our voices to the One who calls us to love one another.

In remembrance, we feast:

**breaking the Bread which makes us whole, drinking the Cup which fills us with grace.** Let us worship God on this night of remembrance.

## **Opening Prayer** [responsive]

With gratitude, O God of salvation, the assembly of your people comes together at table, to continue this journey that will bring us to Easter. **Stir our hearts by the example of this Savior, who welcomed to his table even those who would betray, deny and desert him, the Lord who knew their weaknesses, yet who bent down to wash their feet.** Be with us in this place, we pray. **Amen.**  **Opening Hymn** [*stand*] "An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare"

#### Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

#### Invitation to the Lord's Supper

"In Remembrance of Me" Chancel Choir BEALL/LARSON

#### **Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer** [responsive]

May the God of last suppers be with you.

And also with you.

Open your hearts to God this night.

We open them to the One whose heart is broken this evening.

In the midst of uncertainty and fears, we will praise God.

Our thanks are offered to the One who walks and waits with us through long nights.

#### The Lord's Prayer [together]

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.

The Words of Institution Matthew 26:26–29

#### The Sharing of Holy Communion & Receiving the Lenten Offering

# The Service of Tenebrae

The Watch

Matthew 26:36-45

"Stay With Me" sing 3 times

Glory to God, #204

Stay with me; remain here with me; watch and pray. Watch and pray.

Glory to God, #202

The Betrayal	Matthew 26:47–56		
	"Ah, Holy Jesus" verse 1	Glory to God, #218	
	Ah, holy Jesus, how hast thou offended,	-	
	that we to judge thee have in hate pretended.		
	By foes derided, by thine own rejected,		
	O most afflicted!		
The Denial	Matthew 26:57–75		
	"Ah, Holy Jesus" verse 2	Glory to God, #218	
	Who was the guilty? Who brought this upon thee?		
	Alas, my treason, Jesus, hath undone thee.		
	'Twas I, Lord Jesus, I it was denied thee;		
	I crucified thee.		
The Guilt	Matthew 27:1–5		
	"Lord, Have Mercy"	Glory to God, #577	
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	Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.		
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The Judgment	Luke 23:12–25		
	"Go to Dark Gethsemane" verse 2	Glory to God, #220	
	Follow to the judgment hall;		
	view the Lord of life arraigned;		
	O the wormwood and the gall!		
	O the pangs his soul sustained!		
	Shun not suffering, shame, or loss; learn from him to bear the cross.		
	feath from him to bear the cross.		
The Crucifixion	Luke 23:26–34		
	"O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" verse 1	Glory to God, #221	
O sacred head, now wounded,			
with grief and shame weighed down;			
now scornfully surrounded with thorns, thine only crown;			
O sacred head, what glory, what bliss till now was thine! Not, though despised and gory, Liov to call thee mine			
Yet, though despised and gory, I joy to call thee mine.			

Luke 23:39-47 "Jesus, Remember Me" *sing 3 times* 

Glory to God, #227

## Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom. Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

**Prayer** 

**The Light of Christ Departs** [stand]

Closing Charge [stand]

Please depart in silence. We return on Sunday morning to celebration the resurrection!

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**Participating in the service:** 

Katherine Williams, Director of Music Elder Scholastica Muluh, Rev. Jacob Rodawla, Elder Grace Atanga Fuh, Worship Leaders Rev. LeAnn Hodges Rev. Mary Beth Lawrence

# Thank you for worshiping with us!

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