

Maundy Thursday

April 17, 2014

Prelude Prayer at Gethsemane Peterson

Greetings

As darkness falls, we gather to remember the events of the evening when Jesus shared his last hours with his friends.

Hymn 133 Go to Dark Gethsemane (vs 1)
Reading Luke 22:39-45

Hymn 133 Go to Dark Gethsemane (vs 2)
Reading Luke 22:47-48, 52-53

Hymn 133 Go to Dark Gethsemane (vs 3)
Reading Luke 22:54-62

Hymn 138 Ah, Holy Jesus (vs 1)
Reading Luke 22:63-23:12

Hymn 138 Ah, Holy Jesus (vs 2)
Reading John 13: 1-17

Hymn 138 Ah, Holy Jesus (vs 3)
Reading John 13: 31-39

Prayer of Confession

John 13: 34,35

God's love for the world has been revealed in Jesus Christ, who certainly loved us to the uttermost; Jesus – Saviour and Lord – who at his last meal with his disciples gave them – and us that new commandment. "...love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have loved for one another."

Merciful God, we confess that so often our discipleship has been weak; when we have failed to serve as Jesus served; **forgive us**

when we have failed to love one another as Jesus loved us;

forgive us

when we have been happy to proclaim our devotion to Jesus with our lips and then denied him by our actions; **forgive us.**

Merciful God, empower us by your Spirit to be steady and true to you in every time of trial.

Amen

Assurance of Forgiveness

Jesus said: "I come 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", the good news therefor is this:

Closing Prayer

Lord Jesus, one of us betrayed you. Another denied you and all of us have forsaken you. Yet you remain faithful to us unto death on a cross. Strengthen us so we do not turn aside but follow you to the very end, for the final victory belongs to you. Amen

Hymn 142 Near the Cross

At the closing of the hymn we depart in silence....

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St. Paul's

EASTER SERVICES

- April 18 Good Friday Service at 10:30 a.m.
- April 20 Easter Sunrise Service at 7 a.m. near the pedway
on the banks of the St. John River ---Rev. Ellen
Beairsto & Rev. Bob Jones to lead the Service,
followed with breakfast at St. Paul's United

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