

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



MAUNDY THURSDAY

April 14, 2022

7:00 pm

God's People Gather for Worship

By God's grace alone and to his glory alone, we exist to worship God in his greatness and his holiness with Gospel-driven passion and integrity..." (excerpted from FPC Rome Mission Statement)

Prelude

"O Sacred Head Now Wounded"

Johannes Brahms

Ms. Faye Kesler

Responsive Call to Worship

Leader: Return to the Lord, God of all mercies, for a feast of love has been prepared for his own.

All: I will bless the Lord at all times. His praise shall be continually in my mouth.

Leader: O taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

All: Happy are they who take refuge in God.

Leader: O magnify the Lord with me,

All: And let us exalt God's name together.

Opening Hymn No. 309

"I Will Sing of My Redeemer"

Verses 1 & 4

I will sing of my Redeemer
And His wondrous love to me;
On the cruel cross He suffered,
From the curse to set me free.

(refrain)

Sing, O sing of my Redeemer,
With His blood He purchased me.
On the cross He sealed my pardon,
Paid the debt, and made me free.

I will sing of my Redeemer
And His heavenly love to me;
He from death to life hath bro't me,
Son of God with Him to be.

(refrain)

Confession and Assurance of Pardon

All: Most merciful God, we your church confess that often our spirit has not been that of Christ. Where we have failed to love one another as he loves us, Where we have pledged loyalty to him with our lips and then betrayed, deserted, or denied him.

Forgive us, we pray, and by your Spirit make us faithful in every time of trial;
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Leader: Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ. But Christ suffered and died for us, was raised from the dead, and ascended on high for us, and continues to intercede for us.

Believe the good news: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

All: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

Thanks be to God. Amen.

Scripture Reading

Hebrews 7:1-19

Message

"The Perfect Priest"

Reverend Dr. Jonathan Schwartz

Hymn of Reflection No. 336

"There is a Fountain"

Verses 1, 3 & 5

There is a fountain filled with blood drawn from Immanuel's veins;
And sinners, plunged beneath that flood, lose all their guilty stains:
Lose all their guilty stains, lose all their guilty stains;
And sinners, plunged beneath that flood, lose all their guilty stains.

Dear dying Lamb, Thy precious blood shall never lose its power,
Till all the ransomed ones of God be saved, to sin no more:
Be saved, to sin no more, be saved, to sin no more;
Till all the ransomed ones of God, be saved to sin no more.

When this poor lisping, stammering tongue lies silent in the grave,
Then in a nobler, sweeter song, I'll sing Thy power to save:
I'll sing Thy power to save, I'll sing Thy power to save;
Then in a nobler, sweeter song, I'll sing Thy power to save.

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table

Words of Institution

Partaking of the Elements

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Reflections on the Love of God in Christ's Sacrifice

1 John 4:7-12

"My Song is Love Unknown"

Edwin Childs

"O Love"

Elaine Haggberg

John 3:9-17

"Wondrous Love"

arr. Robert Shaw and Alice Parker

"God So Loved the World"

Bob Chilcott

John 15:12-17

"And Can It Be?"

arr. Eric Nelson

"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

arr. Gilbert Martin

Dismissal with Blessing

Leader: Go forth in peace to walk the way of his cross and resurrection.

All: We are sent in the name of the Lord.

Leader: May Jesus Christ, who was put to death for our sins, bless you and keep you.

All: Amen.

Leader: May Jesus Christ who was raised to life for our salvation, let light shine upon you.

All: Amen.

Leader: May Jesus Christ be your life and peace, now and for ever.

All: Amen. Thanks be to God.



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