

The **LORD JESUS** on  
the night when he  
**WAS BETRAYED**  
took a loaf of bread ...

1 Corinthians 11:23, NRSV



## Maundy Thursday Service

April 14, 2022 • 7:00 PM

Bethpage Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall

### **PRELUDE**

### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

You who call upon the name of Christ, we are gathered to recall the story of the night in which Jesus Christ was betrayed. Are you prepared to come to the table of Jesus Christ, whose life was poured out for you?

**By the grace of God, we are.**

Are you able to watch with Jesus at prayer in the garden, indeed, to struggle yourselves to be in unity with God's will?

**By the grace of God, we are.**

Will you follow Jesus even into the night of betrayal?

**By the grace of God, we will.**

Then let us praise God, even in this hour of darkness!

**God of all grace and steadfast love, greatly is your name to be praised in all the earth!**

### **OPENING PRAYER**

**HYMN #101**

*"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"*

### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Holy One, we come to your table expectantly. Remind us of the healing power of your love. We long to seek your protection from our fears and our sins. But far too often, we try to brave our problems alone. We lay before you our burdens tattered hopes, and shattered dreams. We remember the terrible sacrifice you suffered for us, and are humbled by your fierce love — your word made flesh, given for us, that we might live. Love us, forgive us, and protect us, O God. Amen.**

### **ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

Hear these words of assurance. God loves us so much that we receive new life in Christ. Remember this each time you eat the bread of life and drink from the cup of salvation. Amen.

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Matthew 26:14-16, 47-50

**REFLECTION**

*“Betrayal”*

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**THE LORD’S SUPPER**

**INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE**

**THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & THE LORD’S PRAYER**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*Leader continues . . .*

**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 THE INSTITUTION**

**COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE**

*“Eat this Bread”*

**Eat this bread, drink this cup,  
come to me and never be hungry.  
Eat this bread, drink this cup,  
trust in me and you will not thirst.**

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**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**Gracious God, your beloved son came as a servant to wash away our sinfulness and feed us with the bread of life. Thank you for your grace revealed to us in this feast and this time to commune with Christ who died for us. Strengthen our faith as we lay our lives before you as a living sacrifice. Guide us as we leave this place that we may show your love to a hurting world. Amen.**

**\*HYMN #102**

*“Were You There?”*

**TO OUR VISITORS**

We welcome you to our worship. We have a nursery lovingly and carefully attended by church members. If you have questions, please see an usher and they will be happy to assist you. We hope that you will return to worship with us again!

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**GOOD FRIDAY ~ April 15**

Good Friday Service at 7:00 PM  
in the Church Sanctuary

**EASTER SUNDAY ~ April 17**

Easter Sunrise Service at 6:56 AM in the Church Cemetery

Easter Breakfast following the Sunrise Service  
in the Fellowship Hall

The Celebration of the Resurrection with Communion  
at 10:00 AM in the Church Sanctuary