

The Federated Church of Hyannis
320 Main Street
Hyannis, Massachusetts

Maundy
THURSDAY

*For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup,
you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.*

1 Corinthians 11:26



Maundy Thursday Worship Service
April 2, 2026 ~ 7 PM

~ *Reminder – please silence all cell phones before the Worship Service begins.* ~

Prelude

Prelude #13, Chopin

Roy Campbell

CALL TO WORSHIP (all)

from Psalm 116

Pastor: I love the Lord because he hears my voice and my prayer for mercy. Because he bends down to listen, I will pray as long as I have breath!

People: Death wrapped its ropes around me; the terrors of the grave overtook me. I saw only trouble and sorrow. Then I called on the name of the Lord: “Please, Lord, save me!” How kind the Lord is! How good he is! So merciful, this God of ours!

Pastor: The Lord protects those of childlike faith; I was facing death, and he saved me. Let my soul be at rest again, for the Lord has been good to me. He has saved me from death, my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling.

People: And so I walk in the Lord’s presence as I live here on earth! I believed in you, so I said, “I am deeply troubled, Lord.” In my anxiety I cried out to you, “These people are all liars!” What can I offer the Lord for all he has done for me?

Pastor: I will lift up the cup of salvation and praise the Lord’s name for saving me. I will keep my promises to the Lord in the presence of all his people. The Lord cares deeply when his loved ones die.

People: O Lord, I am your servant; yes, I am your servant, born into your household; you have freed me from my chains. I will offer you a sacrifice of thanksgiving and call on the name of the Lord.

All: I will fulfill my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people—in the house of the Lord in the heart of Jerusalem. Praise the Lord!

Hymn #190

“Beneath the Cross of Jesus”

***Call to Confession**

Pastor: We are gathered in the presence of God who asks us to choose between life and death, between blessing and curse.

People: We are gathered like the people of Israel who were challenged to choose the way of life.

Pastor: Yes, like them, we have the freedom each day to begin anew by the grace of God.

People: Let us praise the God of love and life who has called us to this place of worship and grace.

Pastor: Let us confess our sin to God.

***Prayer of Confession** (unison)

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all people, we acknowledge and confess our sins before you which we have committed by thought, word, and deed. We seek your mercy upon us, Lord. Forgive all that is

past and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please You in newness of life, to the honor and glory of Your Name, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

***Prayer of Absolution** (pastor)

Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Call to Sacrifice

Pastor: Brothers and sisters, we are called to be children of the day and not children of the night.

People: Let us approach the throne of grace that we may receive mercy.

Pastor: Let us pray together:

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open us to a future in which we can be changed; and grant us the grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the Light of the world. Amen.

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation

Prayer of Consecration (unison)

Almighty Father, whose dear Son, on the night before he suffered, instituted the Sacrament of his Body and Blood: Mercifully grant that we may receive it thankfully in remembrance of Jesus Christ our Lord, who in these holy mysteries gives us a pledge of eternal life; and who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Distribution of the Bread and Cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving (the Lord's Prayer in unison)

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Hymn #171

"Go to Dark Gethsemane"

The Office of Tenebrae

Prayer of Preparation

The Shadows of...

Betrayal: Matthew 26:20-25	..... Gary Sylvester
Desertion: Matthew 26:31-35	..... Patty Hill
The Cup of Suffering: Luke 22:39-44	.....Kristen Myers
Unshared Vigil: Mark 14:32-41	.....Dot Sullivan
The Hour's Arrival: John 17:1-6	.....Carol Wroblewski
Arrest: John 18:1-5	.....Bob Jones
Denial: Matthew 26:69-75	.....Tricia Kilmartin-Long
Mocking: Mark 15:16-20	.....Pam Frazier
The Call to Crucify: Luke 23:13-21	.....Sue Donald
The Carried Cross: Luke 23:26-27	.....David Wilbur
The Shared Crucifixion: John 19:17-18	..... Angie McPherson
Death: Luke 23:44-46	.....Pastor Dave McPherson

Darkness: The extinguishing of the lights is symbolic of the flight of the disciples, the approach of the dark hate of Jesus 'enemies and the passion of our Lord. After the lights are restored, members of the congregation are requested to leave the sanctuary in silence, contemplating the aloneness and sorrow of Jesus and the brutality of the crucifixion.

You are Welcome to join us for Services this Holy Week:

Good Friday Service: April 3, 12:00 pm

Sunrise Service: April 5 at 6:00 am
St. Andrews By the Sea Church
12 Irving Ave, Hyannisport

Easter Worship: April 5 at 10:00 am