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Worship Service: 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School: 10:45 a.m.

Rev. Gloria A. Jun Pastor

Maundy Thursday

7:00 p.m.

April 2, 2026

**Our mission is to share Christ with the world through worship, service
and witness.**

Holy Thursday Worship Service
(*Those who are able, please stand)

Entrance:

Gathering... *“At Gethsemane”* by Callender

Mary Jane Clark, Organist

Greeting

Call to Worship:

Leader: God’s beloved in Jesus Christ, we gather in worship, remembering all that God has done for us.

People: Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him.

Leader: Remember the Passover of the Lord, which made time and history new for God’s people.

People: Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him.

Leader: Remember Jesus’ commandment to live a new way, loving one another as he has loved us.

People: Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him.

Leader: Remember the bread broken and given, the cup of new allegiance with God.

People: Now the son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him.

Leader: God’s beloved in Jesus Christ, God has given us everything! Come and worship.

People: We belong to Jesus. We are his own. Amen.

Opening Prayer

*Hymn #297 (Hymnal)

“Beneath the Cross of Jesus”

Prayer of Yearning:

Leader: Jesus, even as we enter the heartbreak and anguish of Holy Week, we know that we do not fully understand what God has done for us.

People: You have loosed our bonds. What shall we return to you for all we have received?

Leader: Sometimes we follow rituals but miss their meaning. Sometimes we say the words but forget to love.

People: May God help us pay our vows in the presence of all God’s people.

Leader: Jesus, washing the feet of your friends, you ask: “Do you know what I have done for you?”

People: May God help us to serve one another in love as you have served us.

Leader: Jesus, breaking the bread and blessing the cup, you ask: “Do you know what I have done for you?”

People: May God help us eat and drink in remembrance of you.

Leader: Jesus, commanding us to love one another, you ask: “Do you know what I have done for you?”

People: We love God, who hears our every supplication. We call on the name of the Lord.

Words of Assurance:

God always hears us. We call on God as long as we live, sure of God’s love. Jesus loves those who are his own, loving them till the end. Know that you are God’s own beloved in Jesus Christ.

Proclamation and Response:

“Jesus’ Foot Washing”

Gospel Lesson 1: John 13:1-17 (NKJV) (see page 4)

Message: *“The Towel and the Cross”*

Rev. Gloria A. Jun, Pastor

*Hymn of Response #557 (Hymnal)

“Blest Be the Tie That Binds”

“The Last Supper”

Gospel Lesson 2: John 13:21-30 (NIV) (see page 5)

Message: *“Unshaken by Betrayal”*

Rev. Gloria A. Jun, Pastor

Hymn #634 (Hymnal)

“Now Let Us from This Table Rise”

Presentation of the Offering

Offertory... *Near the Cross*” by Doane

Prayer of Thanksgiving (In unison);

Gracious God, we bring our offerings as tokens of gratitude and humble commitment for the sacrifice of your Son, Jesus Christ. Use these gifts to spread love, bring comfort, and offer hope to those in need. Bless these offerings and those who give them to the glory of your name. Amen.

“Holy Communion”

The Great Thanksgiving

Sharing the Bread and Cup

Passing of the Peace:

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Sending Forth

*Hymn #289 (Hymnal)

“*Ah, Holy Jesus*”

Dismissal with Blessing

Going Forth

Please Depart the Sanctuary in Silence

Scriptures:

John 13:1-17 (NKJV)

Now before the Feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that His hour had come that He should depart from this world to the Father, having loved His own who were in the world, He loved them to the end.

² And ^[a]supper being ended, the devil having already put it into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon’s *son*, to betray Him, ³ Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into His hands, and that He had come from God and was going to God, ⁴ rose from supper and laid aside His garments, took a towel and girded Himself. ⁵ After that, He poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples’ feet, and to wipe *them* with the towel with which He was girded. ⁶ Then He came to Simon Peter. And *Peter* said to Him, “Lord, are You washing my feet?”

⁷ Jesus answered and said to him, “What I am doing you do not understand now, but you will know after this.”

⁸ Peter said to Him, “You shall never wash my feet!”

Jesus answered him, “If I do not wash you, you have no part with Me.”

⁹ Simon Peter said to Him, “Lord, not my feet only, but also *my* hands and *my* head!”

¹⁰ Jesus said to him, “He who is bathed needs only to wash *his* feet, but is completely clean; and you are clean, but not all of you.” ¹¹ For He knew who would betray Him; therefore He said, “You are not all clean.”

¹² So when He had washed their feet, taken His garments, and sat down again, He said to them, “Do you ^[b]know what I have done to you? ¹³ You call Me Teacher and Lord, and you say well, for *so* I am. ¹⁴ If I then, *your* Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another’s feet. ¹⁵ For I have given you an example, that you should do as I have done to you. ¹⁶ Most assuredly, I say to you, a servant is not greater than his master; nor is he who is sent greater than he who sent him. ¹⁷ If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them.

John 13:21-30 (NIV)

²¹ After he had said this, Jesus was troubled in spirit and testified, “Very truly I tell you, one of you is going to betray me.”

²² His disciples stared at one another, at a loss to know which of them he meant. ²³ One of them, the disciple whom Jesus loved, was reclining next to him. ²⁴ Simon Peter motioned to this disciple and said, “Ask him which one he means.”

²⁵ Leaning back against Jesus, he asked him, “Lord, who is it?”

²⁶ Jesus answered, “It is the one to whom I will give this piece of bread when I have dipped it in the dish.” Then, dipping the piece of bread, he gave it to Judas, the son of Simon Iscariot. ²⁷ As soon as Judas took the bread, Satan entered into him.

So Jesus told him, “What you are about to do, do quickly.” ²⁸ But no one at the meal understood why Jesus said this to him. ²⁹ Since Judas had charge of the money, some thought Jesus was telling him to buy what was needed for the festival, or to give something to the poor. ³⁰ As soon as Judas had taken the bread, he went out. And it was night.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Sursum Corda

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.

Preface

It is good and right at all times and places to give thanks to you, O Lord, Holy Father Almighty, Unchangeable, Immortal, Everlasting Creator of Heaven and earth. In the beginning, your Holy Spirit hovered over the waters of creation as you spoke the cosmos into existence. You formed us from the dust and breathed us into being. You remained faithful to us when we were unfaithful to you, leaving nothing outside the bounds of your deliverance.

And so, in gratitude and praise to you, Father Almighty, we join our voices with the angels, archangels, and all the nations, surrounding your heavenly throne in the eternal song of praise:

Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

Post Sanctus Narrative

We praise you, Father, and give you all glory and honor for your Son, our eternal Savior, Jesus Christ. In your great love, you sent your only Son into the world that all who believe in him should not perish, but have eternal life. Through his suffering, death, and resurrection you liberated us from the bondage of sin, death, and hell, and filled us with the power and presence of the Holy Spirit! We give you praise for gifting us with this heavenly meal as a memorial experience of Christ's passion and resurrection.

O Lamb of God and Risen King, we will eat this bread and drink this cup until we feast with you in glory forever and ever.

Lord's Prayer: **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.**

Sharing the Bread and Cup

Words of Institution

Memorial Acclamation

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts recorded in the gospel and revealed in your holy kingdom, let us proclaim the mystery of faith. **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again!**

Epiclesis

We cry, "Come, Holy Spirit."

"Come, Holy Spirit, come!"

Let us pray. Father, sanctify and bless these gifts of bread from the earth and fruit of the vine and those who receive them by the power of your Holy Spirit. Grant that we may partake in the body and blood of Christ in true faith as we offer our lives back to you as a living sacrifice. Purify us with your grace and form us as your holy people, unified with Christ and each other until he returns again in final victory so the world will know that Jesus is Lord!

Every knee will bow and every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord to the glory of God, the Father, through the power of the Holy Spirit!

Doxology

All honor, glory, blessing, power, and authority are yours, Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Three-in-One and One-in-Three, now until forevermore.

Amen!

Notes of Interest:

Good Friday

12:00 Noon – Walk of the Cross begins at First Presbyterian Church in Irwin. The whole community is invited.

Location: First Presbyterian

Speaker: Andrew Wirt

Topic: The Garden

Location: Holy Trinity

Speaker: Cindy Lindow

Topic: The Betrayal

Location: First Assembly

Speaker: Sarah Lee-Faulkner

Topic: The Cross

Location: First United Methodist

Speaker: Jeff Terpstra

Topic: The Crucifixion

Location: United Church of Christ

Speaker: Nick Poole

Topic: His Final Breath

Good Friday service at Circleville at 7:00 p.m., led by Phyllis Dempsey, Lay Leader.

Easter Sunday service, 9:30 a.m. No Sunday School.