

**The Order of Worship**

**April 5, 2012**

**8:00 p.m.**

**SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
MAUNDY THURSDAY COMMUNION SERVICE  
AND THE OFFICE OF \*TENEBRAE

**THE GATHERING**

**PRELUDE** O Mensch, bewein dein Sünde groß, BWV 622 J. S. Bach  
*O Man, Bewail Thy Grievous Sins*

**GREETING AND CALL TO WORSHIP**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**\*HYMN NO. 170** (red hymnal) O Sacred Head, Now Wounded *Passion Chorale*

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison)

Ever gracious God, we gather this evening hour as friends gathered with Jesus in an upper room long ago. We come bearing the marks of a bitter and broken world. We come from anonymous places, with dry and thirsty spirits. Remind us in the breaking of bread of our need for you. Refresh us and make us whole with the cup of forgiveness. Draw us nearer to each other in mutual service and closer to you in faithfulness. As the night advances, deepen in us a sense of your steadfast love for us in Jesus Christ. Amen.

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**\*PASSING OF THE PEACE**

**Leader:** Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The Peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**People: And also with you.**

*You are invited to exchange, by words and touch, signs of reconciliation with one another.*

**THE WORD**

**SCRIPTURE READING** Psalm 88 Don Byerly

**ANTHEM** Steal Away African-American spiritual  
arr. John Barnard

Steal away to Jesus. Steal away home. I ain't got long to stay here. My Lord, he calls me by the thunder. The trumpet sounds within my soul, I ain't got long to stay here. (Refrain)

Green trees a-bending, poor sinner stands a-trembling. The trumpet sounds within my soul, I ain't got long to stay here. (Refrain)

African-American spiritual

**THE INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE**

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING** (responsive)

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

*(Prayer continues)* ... to the glory of your name.

**COMMUNION RESPONSE** This Is the Body of Christ John L. Bell



*(Prayer continues)* ... great is the mystery of faith.

**RESPONSE** This Is the Body of Christ John L. Bell

**COMMUNION**

(The congregation will be ushered to the Table, beginning with the first pews on either side of the aisle.)

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** (Unison)

**MUSIC FOR COMMUNION** O Lamm Gottes unschuldig, BWV 1095 J. S. Bach

*O Guiltless Lamb of God*  
(from the *Neumeister Chorales*)

Von Gott will ich nicht lassen Johann Michael Bach

*From God I Shall Not Turn*

**LITURGY OF THE PASSION**

(please remain seated throughout)

**JESUS PREDICTS HIS BETRAYAL** Matthew 26:20-25

**HYMN NO. 93** (blue hymnal) Ah, Holy Jesus *Herzliebster Jesu*  
(verses 1 and 3)

**THE DISCIPLE'S PROMISE** Matthew 26:30-35

**HYMN NO. 86** (blue hymnal) When We Are Tempted to Deny Your Son *Psalm 22*  
(verses 1, 2 and 3)

**JESUS PRAYS IN THE GARDEN** Luke 22:39-46  
Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley *Lonesome Valley*

Jesus walked this lonesome valley, He had to walk it by Himself; O, nobody else could walk it for Him, He had to walk it by Himself.

We must walk this lonesome valley, We have to walk it by ourselves; O, nobody else can walk it for us, We have to walk it by ourselves.

You must go and stand your trial, You have to stand it by yourself, O, nobody else can stand it for you, You have to stand it by yourself.

**BETRAYAL AND DENIAL** American spiritual  
**HYMN NO. 93** (blue hymnal) Ah, Holy Jesus Luke 22:47-62  
(verses 2 and 4) *Herzliebster Jesu*

**ARREST AND CRUCIFIXION** Mark 15:1-20, Luke 23:32-43  
Calvary African-American spiritual

Calvary, Surely He died on Calvary.

Don't you hear the hammer ringing? Surely He died on Calvary. (Refrain)

Don't you hear Him calling His Father? Surely He died on Calvary. (Refrain)

Don't you hear Him say, "It is finished"? Surely He died on Calvary. (Refrain)

African-American spiritual  
Meredith Mackay, Soprano  
Terrance McCracken, Baritone

**THE DEATH** Mark 15:33-39  
**ANTHEM** Were You There? *Were You There*

Were you there when they crucified my Lord? Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble.

Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble.

Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble.

**SONG OF THE SUFFERING SERVANT** Isaiah 53:3-6 Jim Mason  
**EXTINGUISH THE LIGHT**  
**STREPITUS (THE DEATH OF OUR LORD)**

**NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS**  
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**MINISTRY OF MUSIC:** Chancel Choir

**Our thanks** to Meredith Mackay and Terrance McCracken for their enrichment of our worship this evening.

**This evening's music for communion** makes use of some especially expressive colors on the organ. The first to be heard is the ethereal Gedackt 8' (a flute) on the Swell, enhanced by the vibrato of the tremulant. In the second chorale prelude, the Viol d'Gamba 8' (a string) and its celeste, both also on the Swell, are combined with the same flute to create a sound similar to the Unda maris 8' on the organ at the Wenzelskirche in Naumburg, Germany. This is the newly-restored Hildebrandt organ that J. S. Bach proved (tested and approved for the church and town leaders) in 1746.

**\*Tenebrae** is not really a service. The word means "darkness" or "shadows" and first began to appear in church liturgies around the seventh century. Tenebrae has come to symbolize the darkness and somber tone of the accounts of Christ's suffering and crucifixion, reflected in the scripture readings, in the music, and in the silence of the people as they leave the sanctuary.

**The "Strepitus"** means "loud noise" and is signified by the slamming of a book or door at the conclusion of the service. Originally, the strepitus was a loud noise made by the abbot to signify to the monks, who were in silent meditation, that the liturgy of the hours was over. It has come to symbolize the harsh reality of the death of our Lord.

EASTER SUNDAY SCHEDULE		
Easter Worship	9:00 a.m.	Sanctuary
Easter Breakfast	10:00 a.m.	Fellowship Hall
Easter Egg Hunt	10:25 a.m.	Courtyard
Easter Worship	11:00 a.m.	Sanctuary

The Easter Egg Hunt will begin at 10:25 in the courtyard for toddlers - 5th grade. Bags will be provided for the children to gather their eggs.

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