

out to the place of the Skull (which in Aramaic is called Golgotha). <sup>18</sup>Here they crucified him, and with him two others--one on each side and Jesus in the middle. <sup>19</sup>Pilate had a notice prepared and fastened to the cross. It read: JESUS OF NAZARETH, THE KING OF THE JEWS.

#### Closing Scripture & Benediction

*Pastor Steve*

<sup>3</sup>He was despised and rejected by mankind,  
a man of suffering, and familiar with pain.  
Like one from whom people hide their faces  
he was despised, and we held him in low esteem.

<sup>4</sup>Surely he took up our pain  
and bore our suffering,  
yet we considered him punished by God,  
stricken by him, and afflicted.

<sup>5</sup>But he was pierced for our transgressions,  
he was crushed for our iniquities;  
the punishment that brought us peace was on him,  
and by his wounds we are healed.

<sup>6</sup>We all, like sheep, have gone astray,  
each of us has turned to our own way;  
and the Lord has laid on him  
the iniquity of us all.  
(Isaiah 53:3-6)

#### Stripping of the Table

*A time of **silence** is observed before worshipers quietly depart.*

*Tonight, the Labyrinth in the Atrium is open until 8:00 for final meditative walks.*



*Scan to give an offering to Wayside or  
to the One Great Hour of Sharing Offering*



*Rev. Dr. Stephen P. Fritz, Pastor*



*"You are clean, though not every one of you."  
For he knew who was going to betray him. - John 13:10-11*

**April 2, 2026  
6:30 pm**

*Wheelchair, Hearing Assist System & Large Print Bibles available.  
See the A/V booth for assistance.*

**EVENING COMMUNION**  
**Maundy Thursday / Holy Week**

***“Walking with Jesus, sharing Christ along the way”***

*Tonight, we gather quietly in the “upper room” where Jesus welcomes all of us to his Last Supper before his arrest and crucifixion. Thank you for accepting the invitation. Please join Wayside this Sunday when we hear the rest of the gospel story. Peace be upon you and yours.*

***\*Please stand as able in body or spirit.***

**Gathering Music**

*Deb Konupka, accompanist*

**About Tonight’s Service**

John 13:1

*Pastor Steve*

It was just before the Passover Feast. Jesus knew that the time had come for him to leave this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he now showed them the full extent of his love.

**\*Hymn 275**

An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare

*(The Table is set by representatives of our Confirmation Class & Family Ministry)*

**Scripture Reading**

John 13:2-11

*Michelle Hess, Liturgist*

<sup>2</sup>The evening meal was being served, and the devil had already prompted Judas Iscariot, son of Simon, to betray Jesus. <sup>3</sup>Jesus knew that the Father had put all things under his power, and that he had come from God and was returning to God; <sup>4</sup>so he got up from the meal, took off his outer clothing, and wrapped a towel around his waist. <sup>5</sup>After that, he poured water into a basin and began to wash his disciples' feet, drying them with the towel that was wrapped around him. <sup>6</sup>He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" <sup>7</sup>Jesus replied, "You do not realize now what I am doing, but later you will understand." <sup>8</sup>"No," said Peter, "you shall never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no part with me." <sup>9</sup>"Then, Lord," Simon Peter replied, "not just my feet but my hands and my head as well!" <sup>10</sup>Jesus answered, "A person who has had a bath needs only to wash his feet; his whole body is clean. And you are clean, though not every one of you." <sup>11</sup>For he knew who was going to betray him, and that was why he said not every one was clean.

ONE: This is the word of the Lord. **ALL: Thanks be to God.**

**Bell Anthem**

Go to Dark Gethsemane

*Louise Duncan, Director*

**Scripture Reading**

John 6:35-40, 48-51

<sup>35</sup>Then Jesus declared, "I am the bread of life. He who comes to me will never go hungry, and he who believes in me will never be thirsty. <sup>36</sup>But as I told you, you have seen me and still you do not believe. <sup>37</sup>All that the Father gives me will come

to me, and whoever comes to me I will never drive away. <sup>38</sup>For I have come down from heaven not to do my will but to do the will of him who sent me. <sup>39</sup>And this is the will of him who sent me, that I shall lose none of all that he has given me, but raise them up at the last day. <sup>40</sup>For my Father's will is that everyone who looks to the Son and believes in him shall have eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day." // <sup>48</sup>I am the bread of life. <sup>49</sup>Your forefathers ate the manna in the desert, yet they died. <sup>50</sup>But here is the bread that comes down from heaven, which a man may eat and not die. <sup>51</sup>I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. This bread is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world."

**Meditation**

Prism Pathways: I AM the Bread of Life

*Pastor Steve*

**\*Hymn 699**

Let Us Break Bread Together

**Communion / Anointing / Reflective Music**

*Worshippers approach the Table and self-serve or serve each other.*

**Scripture Reading**

John 13:30-38

<sup>30</sup>As soon as Judas had taken the bread, he went out. And it was night. <sup>31</sup>When he was gone, Jesus said, "Now is the Son of Man glorified and God is glorified in him. <sup>32</sup>If God is glorified in him, God will glorify the Son in himself, and will glorify him at once. <sup>33</sup>"My children, I will be with you only a little longer. You will look for me, and just as I told the Jews, so I tell you now: Where I am going, you cannot come. <sup>34</sup>"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. <sup>35</sup>By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another." <sup>36</sup>Simon Peter asked him, "Lord, where are you going?" Jesus replied, "Where I am going, you cannot follow now, but you will follow later." <sup>37</sup>Peter asked, "Lord, why can't I follow you now? I will lay down my life for you." <sup>38</sup>Then Jesus answered, "Will you really lay down your life for me? I tell you the truth, before the rooster crows, you will disown me three times!

**Anthem**

*Alone He Prays / Parker, arr. Joel Raney Janelle Pabon, Music Director*

**Scripture Reading**

John 18:1-5; 19:16-19

When he had finished praying, Jesus left with his disciples and crossed the Kidron Valley. On the other side there was an olive grove, and he and his disciples went into it. <sup>2</sup>Now Judas, who betrayed him, knew the place, because Jesus had often met there with his disciples. <sup>3</sup>So Judas came to the grove, guiding a detachment of soldiers and some officials from the chief priests and Pharisees. They were carrying torches, lanterns and weapons. <sup>4</sup>Jesus, knowing all that was going to happen to him, went out and asked them, "Who is it you want?" <sup>5</sup>"Jesus of Nazareth," they replied. // <sup>16</sup>Finally Pilate handed him over to them to be crucified. <sup>17</sup>So the soldiers took charge of Jesus. Carrying his own cross, he went