

The People of Washington Avenue Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) gather for the

Worship of God

April 17, 2025, 7:00pm: Maundy Thursday

Chiming the Hour The Atwood Carillon

Greeting The Spirit of God is with you! Nathan A. Russell
And also with you!

Call to Worship Lift up your hearts... Nathan A. Russell

We lift them to the Lord!

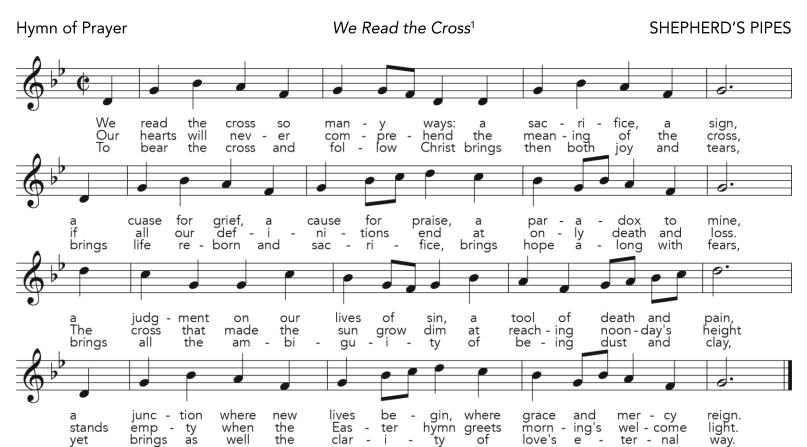
Prelude Abide With Me (John L. Edwards) Sol M. Rizzato

Meditation for Preparation

"I used to think this day was called Monday Thursday, which, of course, makes no sense whatsoever; it's actually called Maundy Thursday, which also makes no sense whatsoever until you realize the word Maundy originates from the Latin, mandatum, which means a command, or order. [On this night, Jesus] gives us a new mandatum, a new commandment, to love as he has loved. This is Christ's command, that we love one another."

-Nadia Bolz-Weber

Invocation Megan Rowe



Call to Confession

Holy God, you have called us to serve others as Christ has served us. We confess that we have not followed Christ's example as fully or as often as we should. We turn away from people in need. True humility eludes us, and we hide our own vulnerability before others. You have commanded us to love one another as you have loved us. We confess that we do not love so generously. Gathered on this Holy Thursday, we confess that we are capable of denying and betraying you and one another, no less than the first disciples. Forgive us, merciful God, and cleanse us of all our sin; then guide our feet to walk with you always. In Christ's name we pray. AMEN.

Assurance of Pardon Nathan A. Russell

Hymn of Communion 200 What Wondrous Love Is This WONDROUS LOVE

Invitation to Commune Nancy Walker

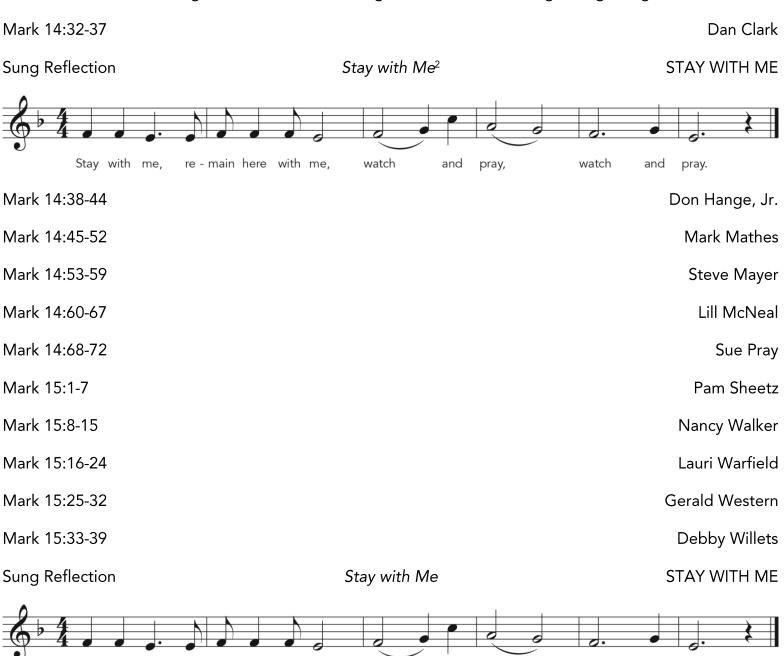
Prayer at the Table Lauri Warfield

Words of Institution Nancy Walker

Introduction to Readings Nathan A. Russell

Hymn 210 Ah, Holy Jesus, How Hast Thou Offended HERZLIEBSTER JESU

The Reading of the Passion According to Mark and the Extinguishing of Lights





Please hold the next few minutes in silence and contemplation.

Today's artwork Francis Newton Souza's 'The Last Supper,' a reinterpretation of Leonardo Da Vinci's late 15th-century mural, is a tour de force in the artist's œuvre. Painted in 1990, over forty years after the artist's entry into the world of modernist art, the canvas bestows a bold and towering gravitas upon enduring themes and ideas. In reworking one of the most recognizable images in the Western consciousness, Souza powerfully asserts his iconic and distinctive artistic style. A print of this artwork was donated to WACC in 2023 and now hangs in the office hallway.

¹WORDS: Thomas H. Troeger, 2015; MUSIC: Annabeth McClelland Gay, 1952

²WORDS and MUSIC: Jacques Berthier; 1984

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Sunday, April 20

• 9:30am: Worship in the Sanctuary

11:00am: Easter Study: Unsettling Lent (Gibbens Room)

6:00pm: YouTube Online Worship Premiere

Tuesday, April 22

7:30-8:30am: Upper Room Devotional Hour (Zoom)

3:00-4:30pm: Outreach Committee Mtg. (Zoom) Rescheduled from 4/16



We are thrilled that you are worshiping God with us! Scan this QR code to register your attendance, submit a prayer request, and make a contribution.



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