

THE WORSHIP OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD
AT SWIFT CHURCH

Maundy Thursday

GATHERING

WELCOME Rev. Alexandra Hutson

PRELUDE “Healer of Every Ill” Jenni Cain

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

*CALL TO WORSHIP Monica Reilly
Leader: Jesus said,
People: “I give you a new commandment that you love one another.
Leader: Just as I have loved you,
People: you also should love one another.
Leader: By this everyone will know that you are my disciples.
People: Let us worship God.

*HYMN #202 “Amazing Grace”

PRAYER OF THE DAY

CHORAL HYMN “This Is the Night”

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION
(Allow a lengthy silence between biddings.)
Holy and gracious God,
Our sin is too heavy to bear. Trusting in your mercy,
we lay before you the truth of who we are.

We confess our failure to love as Christ loved...

We confess our covetousness and greed...

We confess our weakness before temptation...
We confess our frailty before the challenges of this world.

Merciful God, forgive us. Heal us, and make us whole, for the sake of your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON
The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. Sisters and brothers, believe the gospel: in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

*RESPONSE #335 “Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus”
Turn your eyes upon Jesus,
Look full in His wonderful face,
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim
In the light of His glory and grace.

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING Exodus 12:1–10,11–14

SECOND READING John 13:1–17,31b–35

RESPONSE
Leader: This is the word of God, for the people of God.
People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON “A New Commandment”
Reverend Alexandra Hutson

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN #211 “Oh the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus”

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH
(From the Brief Statement of Faith)
In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal. With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS
Offertory “Behold the Lamb”

“Doxology”

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him All creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYER AND DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

THE 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

“In Remembrance of Me” Jenni Cain

PRAAYER AFTER COMMUNION

STRIPPING OF THE CHANCEL

SENDING

Please depart from the sanctuary in silence.

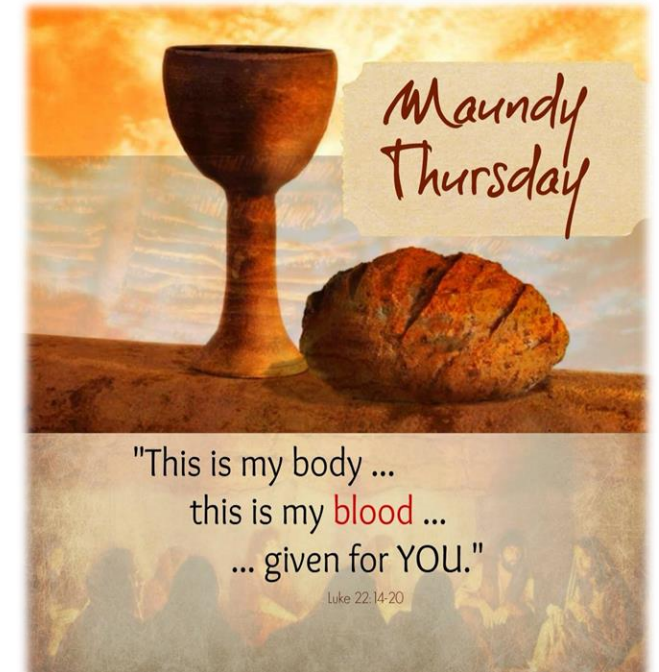
POSTLUDE

“They’ll Know We Are Christians”

Music is licensed through CCLI.

Welcome to Swift Church

Striving to bring God joy!



We proclaim Christ's love and
grace through serving and nurturing
body, mind, and soul.

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