



## ORDER OF WORSHIP

April 1, 2021 @ 10amm, Maundy Thursday

*Maundy Thursday (called Holy Thursday in some traditions) takes its name from the Latin found in John, chapter 13, where Jesus offers his disciples a “new commandment” (mandatum novum), that we should love one another as he loves us. It is traditionally observed with foot-washing and holy communion.*

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### PRELUDE

*Panis Angelicus*  
Valerie Becker, *piano*

by C. Franck, arr. Clara Tsui

### WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

One: This is a night to remember.

**Many: We remember how Jesus washed his disciples’ feet, a servant-leader.**

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**Many: We remember the meal Jesus shared with those he loved, those who would betray him.**

One: This is a night to remember.

**Many: We remember Jesus’ new commandment, that we should love one another as he loves us.**

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**Many: We remember how afterward Jesus was arrested and led away to be tried and killed.**

One: We remember this all and are re-membered, the Body of Christ here and now, in the retelling.

**All: Let us worship God in spirit and in truth, in word and in deed.**

### HYMN

*Draw Us in the Spirit’s Tether (see below)*

Carolyn Macgregor, *cantor*

**SCRIPTURE READING** *from the Gospels* John 13:1-17, 31b-25

### FOOT-WASHING & REFLECTION

The Rev. John MacIver Gage

**SHARING HOLY COMMUNION** *using whatever food & drink you have on hand* The Rev. Maddie Foster

**THE LORD’S PRAYER** *(using these or whichever words are closest to your own heart)*

Our Father in heaven, holy is your name. Your reign come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kin-dom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

### MUSICAL REFLECTION

*In Remembrance of Me*

by Courtney & Red

Congregational Church of Needham Singers; Valerie Becker, *director*

### SHADOWS GATHER

**I. Peter’s Denial Foretold**, Mark 14:26-31

### MUSICAL REFLECTION

*Go to Dark Gethsemane*

Maggie Furtak, *alto*

**II. Jesus Prays in Gethsemane**, Mark 14:32-42

**III. The Betrayal and Arrest of Jesus**, Mark 14:43-52

**IV. Jesus Before the Council**, Mark 14:53-65

**V. Peter Denies Jesus**, Mark 14:66-72

### SENDING FORTH

**YOU ARE INVITED** to join us tomorrow night, **Good Friday 4/2 @ 7pm in this same Zoom space** to share worship with leaders in our Southern New England Conference of our United Church of Christ denominational family. The service will use Joel Thompson's "Seven Last Words of the Unarmed," remembering Black folks killed by police, to reflect on the seven last words of Jesus from the cross, another victim of state violence.

## Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether

1 Draw us in the Spir-it's teth - er, for when hum - bly  
 2 As dis - ci - ples used to gath - er in the name of  
 3 All our meals and all our liv - ing make as sac - ra -

in your name, two or three are met to - geth - er,  
 Christ to sup, then with thanks to God the Giv - er,  
 ments of you, that by car - ing, help-ing, giv - ing,

you are in the midst of them; Al - le - lu - ia!  
 break the bread and bless the cup, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 we may be dis - ci - ples true. Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Touch we now your gar - ment's hem.  
 Al - le - lu - ia! So now bind our friend - ship up.  
 Al - le - lu - ia! We may serve with faith a - new.