MAUNDY THURSDAY

FAITH HALL, 7:00 PM, APRIL 6, 2023

Gathering Music

Welcome

*Praise and Worship

Praise Team

No.71

(Add the words to the songs, when we have them)

Prayer

Introduction

Words of Confession

Almighty, everlasting God and Father, we confess and acknowledge to You that we are full of sin and transgression in all our life, as those who do not perfectly believe Your word nor follow Your holy commandments. Have mercy upon us, through Your Son our Lord Jesus Christ. Grant to us and increase in us Your Holy Spirit, so that we may recognize our sin and unrighteousness, feel true contrition and grief for them, die to them completely, and please You wholly in a new and godly life. Amen.

Words of Comfort I Timothy 1

Psalm 103

"O Bless the Lord, My Soul"
O bless the Lord, my soul!
Let all within me join

And help my tongue to praise His name

Whose mercies are divine.

O bless the Lord, my soul! Let not His mercies lie Forgotten in unthankfulness, From lack of praise to die.

For God forgives our sins

And God relieves our pain; The Lord who heals our sicknesses Renews our strength again.

He crowns our life with love When ransomed from the grave; He who redeemed my soul from hell Has sovereign power to save.

The Lord provides our food And gives the sufferers rest; The Lord has judgement for the proud And justice for th'oppressed.

His mighty works and ways
By Moses He made known,
But gave the world His truth and grace
By His beloved Son.

Isaac Watts, 1719

Scripture John 19:13-22

Message "King of the Jews"

Anthem Chancel Choir

Reformed Communion

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We believe in

ONE GOD THE FATHER ALMIGHTY, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible:

And in

ONE LORD JESUS CHRIST, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds,
GOD OF GOD, LIGHT OF LIGHT, VERY GOD OF VERY GOD,
begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father,
by Whom all things were made:

WHO, for us men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the virgin Mary, AND WAS MADE MAN,

and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.

HE suffered and was buried;

and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven.

and sitteth on the right hand of the Father.

And He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead, Whose Kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in

THE HOLY GHOST, the Lord and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; Who spake by the prophets.

And we believe

ONE HOLY UNIVERSAL AND APOSTOLIC CHURCH.

We acknowledge

ONE BAPTISM for the remission of sins.

And we look for

THE RESURRECTION OF THE DEAD,
And the LIFE OF THE WORLD TO COME. Amen.

*The Approach "Lead Me to Calvary"

No.211

King of my life, I crown Thee now,
Thine shall the glory be;
Lest I forget Thy thorn-crowned brow,
Lead me to Calvary.

Lest I forget Gethsemane, Lest I forget Thine agony, Lest I forget Thy love for me, Lead me to Calvary.

Show me the tomb where Thou wast laid, Tenderly mourned and wept; Angels in robes of light arrayed Guarded Thee while Thou slept.
Lest I forget...

Let me, like Mary, through the gloom, Come with a gift to Thee; Show to me now the empty tomb, Lead me to Calvary. Lest I forget...

May I be willing, Lord, to bear Daily my cross for Thee;
Even Thy cup of grief to share,
Thou hast borne all for me.
Lest I forget...

Jennie E. Hussey, 1921

No.95

The Salutation

Pastor : The Lord be with you; People : And with your spirit. Pastor : Lift up your hearts;

People : We lift them up unto the Lord.

Pastor : Let us give thanks unto our Lord God,

People : It is meet and right so to do.

Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer
The Exhortation
Breaking of Bread

Hymn

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"
All hail the power of Jesus' name!
Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem,
And crown Him Lord of all;
Bring forth the royal diadem,
And crown Him Lord of all!

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race,

Ye ransomed from the fall, Hail Him who saves you by His grace, And crown Him Lord of all; Hail Him who saves you by His grace, And crown Him Lord of all!

Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget The wormwood and the gall, Go, spread your trophies at His feet, And crown Him Lord of all; Go, spread your trophies at His feet, And crown Him Lord of all!

Let every kindred, every tribe, On this terrestrial ball, To Him all majesty ascribe, And crown Him Lord of all; To Him all majesty ascribe, And crown Him Lord of all!

O that with yonder sacred throng We at His feet may fall! We'll join the everlasting song, And crown Him Lord of all; We'll join the everlasting song, And crown Him Lord of all!

Edward Perronet, 1780

Dismissal

NOTES

The structure and liturgy are inspired by Martin Bucer's 'Church Practices', written for the churches of Strasbourg in 1539.

Will the Choir sing? What about the Praise Team? If so, what about using the newer version of "When I Survey"?

Of the songs –

No. 71 – is a version of Psalm 103 is to a well-known tune.

No.211 - "Lead Me to Calvary" should be familiar enough.

No.95 - "All Hail the Power"

I've cut down the text to make it more manageable, and changed the sermon title.

Communion will, once again, be after the manner of the Scots Reformers – with worshipers coming to the long table to take the elements. We'll need a crew to set up the tables and chairs, and to put out the tablecloths, runners, candles, communion trays and plates. It would be better not to tear down immediately following the service, but just to let people go home quietly.

I suggest that we use the small communion cups on the trays, on the table, and precut bread on plates.

We need to have an elder responsible for picking up the used cups, and possibly another responsible for bringing extra cups, just in case we need them.