

# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



April 2, 2026

## Maundy Thursday

PRELUDE

“Were You There”  
Ashley Armstrong, Clarinet

\*HYMN

“An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare”

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### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come to worship around the table,

**All: Come to worship around the table,**

Leader: where love kneels to serve, **All: where love kneels to serve,**

Leader: bread is broken, **All: bread is broken,**

Leader: and we are made whole. **All: and we are made whole.**

### CALL TO CONFESSION & PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Leader: Jesus, our Teacher, **All: Jesus, our Teacher,**

Leader: you knelt to serve, **All: you knelt to serve,**

Leader: but we prefer to stand. **All: but we prefer to stand.**

Leader: You broke bread with betrayers,

**All: You broke bread with betrayers,**

Leader: but we guard our hearts. **All: but we guard our hearts.**

Leader: You love us fully, **All: You love us fully,**

Leader: but we love only in part. **All: but we love only in part.**

Leader: Forgive us. **All: Forgive us.**

Leader: Wash us again. **All: Wash us again.**

Leader: Make us your Body. **All: Make us your Body.**

Leader: In Jesus' name. **All: In Jesus' name.**

### WORDS OF ASSURANCE

CHOIR ANTHEM

*"I Choose Love"*

Mark Miller

*During this time, you may come up to the front and have your hands washed.*

MESSAGE

*"The Ragman"*

## HOLY COMMUNION

\*SONG

*"Ah, Holy Jesus"*

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INVITATION TO THE TABLE

### GREAT THANKSGIVING

Pastor The Lord be with you ...**All: And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts. **All: We lift them up to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

### Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

(Sanctus)

J. M. S.

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly

Lord God of power and might.

Heav'n and earth are full of thy glo - ry.

Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord Most

High. Ho - san - na in the high - est!

Bless - ed is He that come-th in the name of the

Lord, Ho - san - na in the high - est!

## MYSTERIES OF THE FAITH

**ALL: Christ has died, Christ has risen, Christ will come again.**

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION & DISTRIBUTION OF ELEMENTS BY INTINCTION

### CLOSING PRAYER

**Almighty God who made heaven and earth and everything seen and unseen. We remember that night long ago when your Son, Jesus, was betrayed by all who knew him and was abandoned by his disciples. He went to Gethsemane to pray to you and decided to follow your will and not his own. We remember how he was arrested, put on trial, beaten, whipped, mocked, and condemned to death along with two other bandits of the time. He carried the cross to the place where he would be crucified. Be with us this night as we remember the last moments of Jesus' life. Amen.**

### LENTEN CANDLE READING

Leader: When they came to the place called the Skull, they crucified him there, along with the criminals—one on his right, the other on his left.

**All: Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing."**

L: And they divided up his clothes by casting lots.

**All: The people present challenged and mocked him, saying that he should save himself, if he is God' Messiah and King of the Jews.**

L: There was a written notice above him, which read: this is the king of the Jews. One of the criminals who hung there hurled insults at him:

**All: "Aren't you the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" But the other criminal rebuked him. "Don't you fear God," he said, "since you are under the same sentence? We are punished justly, for we are getting what our deeds deserve. But this man has done nothing wrong."**

L: Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." Jesus answered him, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise."

**All: It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, for the sun stopped shining.**

L: And the curtain of the temple was torn in two. Jesus called out with a loud voice, "Father, into your hands I commit my spirit."

And then he called out: "It is finished", and he breathed his last. The light of the world went out.

(The Christ candle is extinguished.)

The Ragman Participants:  
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