



SOTC Worship  
March 28, 2024  
Maundy Thursday

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## GATHERING

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PRELUDE

WELCOME

GATHERING SONG

JUST AS I AM, WITHOUT ONE PLEA

ELW 592

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*Pastor Aleese invites the congregation to confession and self-examination.*

Most merciful God,  
**we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.**  
**Amen.**

*Congregation is invited to come forward to receive individual absolution.*

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit,  
be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

OPENING PRAYER

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WORD

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READING: JOHN 13:1-17, 31b-35

*In response to the reading:*

Word of God, Word of Life.

**Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

HYMN

LOVE CONSECRATES THE HUMBLEST ACT

ELW 360

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*Response to "Lord in your mercy" is "hear our prayer."*

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always!

**And also with you!**

*Congregation is invited to share a sign of peace with others.*

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MEAL

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OFFERING

OFFERING PRAYER

READING: LUKE 22:7-23

*In response to the reading:*

Word of God, Word of Life.

**Thanks be to God.**

REFLECTION/STORYTELLING

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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PREFACE

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HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

### LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

**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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

### COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

*Together we receive God's gift of love given to us in the sacrament of communion. All are welcome at the table, where Christ is our host.*

*Following the directions of the ushers, the congregation will be invited forward in groups. Each group will stand before the altar to receive the bread and wine/juice. After receiving both bread and wine, remain with your group until Pastor Aleese offers a short blessing, dismissing each group to return to their seats. Those not desiring to receive communion may come forward for a blessing.*

### LAMB OF GOD

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### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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## SENDING

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### STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR

*The altar is stripped as psalms are read. The Christ candle, representing Christ's present in our midst, is carried out last as a representation of his arrest by the Roman guard.*

*We depart in silence, gathering again tomorrow at the trial and cross of Jesus.*

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