

**REHOBOTH
UNITED METHODIST
CHURCH**

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Thursday, April 14, 2022 - 7 p.m.

PRELUDE

“Freely, Freely”

***GREETING**

Leader: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

People: Christ has prepared a feast of love.

***HYMN**

“Freely, Freely”

UMH #38

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Leader: My sisters and brothers, Christ shows us his love by becoming a humble servant. Let us draw near to God and confess our sin in the truth of God's Spirit.

People: Most merciful God, we your Church confess that often our spirit has not been that of Christ. Where we have failed to love one another as he loves us, where we have pledged loyalty to him with our lips and then betrayed, deserted, or denied him, forgive us, we pray; and by your Spirit make us faithful in every time of trial; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Leader: Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ. But Christ suffered and died for us, was raised from the dead and ascended on high for us, and continues to intercede for us. Believe the good news: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Abide with Me”

Felecia Boyce

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Jane Massey

God of Exodus and Resurrection you have promised to write your law on our hearts. As we hear the reading of your Word, teach us your law of love, that by the power of your Holy Spirit, we may show forth the light of Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

***GOSPEL LESSON**

John 13:1-17, 31b -35

NT #101

SERMON

“Do You Know What I Have Done?”

PRAYER

Gracious God, your Anointed One, on the night before he suffered, instituted the sacrament of his body and blood. Mercifully grant that we may receive it thankfully in remembrance of Jesus Christ our Lord, who in these holy mysteries gives us a pledge of eternal life. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

UMH #13

***HYMN AFTER COMMUNION**

UMH #290

“Go to Dark Gethsemane”

STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR (in silence)

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

“Rock of Ages”

**Please stand as you are able.*

Welcome

We are delighted you have joined us for our Maundy Thursday service. Everyone is invited to participate. The Lord bless you and keep you!

In this night Christians commemorate the supper Jesus shared with his disciples before his crucifixion, when Jesus washed the disciples' feet (John 13:1-17) and instituted the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper (Matthew 26:26-29; Mark 14:22-25; Luke 22:13-17; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25).

Six traditional actions on this night are included in the following service. They are (1) confession and pardon; (2) proclamation of the Word, (3) Footwashing, (4) the Lord's Supper, (5) stripping of the church, and (6) Tenebrae. Of these, (1), (2) and (4) are essential; [3], [5], and [6] are optional.

The ancient practice of stripping the Lord's table and sanctuary following communion is a vivid and dramatic way of showing the desolation and abandonment of the long night in Gethsemane and that followed. The church remains bare until Easter, when the process is reversed. (United Methodist Book of Worship p. 351)

Prayer for Holy Thursday

Only God, source and sovereign, you put all power and authority to the hands of Christ, who washes our feet in humble service. Teach us to love one another as Christ has loved us, so that everyone will know that we are his disciples; through Jesus Christ our Lord, we pray.

Invitation to be our guest for Easter Sunday Services
on April 17, 2022

Sunrise Service - 6:30 pm