

## **Prelude**

## **Welcome**

## **Call to Worship**

One: We are gathered in the presence of God who asks us to choose between life and death, between blessing and curse.

**All: We are gathered like the people of Israel, who were challenged to choose the way of life.**

One: Like them, we often follow the ways of death.

**All: Yet, like them, we have the freedom each day to begin anew by the grace of God.**

One: By our presence here, we are saying that we choose life.

**All: Let us praise the God of love and life who has called us to this place.**

## **Opening Prayer (in unison)**

**God, we come tonight at the invitation of Jesus Christ to share a sacred meal. It is a gracious host indeed who shares not only the bread and wine but also, shares his life and being. In sharing this time with you and with one another, help us to understand that this table provides us with a taste of your eternal kingdom.**

**Whet our appetites for service, and nourish us with your presence. In the name of our gracious host, Jesus Christ. Amen**

**Hymn**                      **Go to Dark Gethsemane**

**Scripture**                 **Mark 14:22-42**

## **Prayer of Confession**

**If we say we have no sin or failings, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess, God is faithful and just and will forgive and cleanse us. Gracious God, we have denied your intentions for us. We have preferred our way to Christ's way. We have served ourselves first. We have disobeyed your commandment to love others as we love ourselves. Forgive us, and awaken us to faith through Jesus Christ, who came not to serve, but to serve, and who served you even to death. Amen**

# Maundy Thursday Worship

April 9, 2020

## Assurance of God's Love

**Anthem** The Upper Room (sung by Daniel Ellair)

## A Time of Prayer

**Hymn** Let Us Break Bread Together

## The Lord's Supper

### Invitation

### Sharing the Bread and Cup

### Prayer of Thanksgiving

**Hymn** O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

## The Office of Tenebrae

*Betrayal Foretold* Matthew 26: 20-25 (***candle is extinguished***)

*Desertion Foretold* Mark 14: 26-31 (***candle is extinguished***)

*Jesus Prays* Luke 22: 39-42 (***candle is extinguished***)

*Unshared Prayer* Matthew 26:40-46 (***candle is extinguished***)

*The Arrest* Mark 14: 43-50 (***candle is extinguished***)

*Jesus Before the Council* Mark 14: 53-65 (***candle is extinguished***)

*Peter Denies Jesus* Luke 22: 54-62 (***candle is extinguished***)

*The Trial* Luke 22: 66-71 (***candle is extinguished***)

*Jesus Questioned* Mark 15:1-5 (***candle is extinguished***)

*Jesus or Barabbas* Matthew 27:15-23 (***candle is extinguished***)

*Pilate Washes His Hands* Matthew 27:24-26 (***candle is extinguished***)

*Jesus Is Mocked* Mark 15:16-20 (***candle is extinguished***)

**Anthem** Were You There?

## Draping the Cross

**Tolling of the Bell** (Once for each of the disciples)

## Depart in Silence