



Memorial Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Maundy Thursday

April 17, 2014

*Let all who enter enjoy the fellowship of friends until the prelude calls us to worship.
Let us then, in oneness of spirit, turn our reverent attention to the worship of God.*

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*Holy God, source of all love,
on the night of his betrayal
Jesus gave his disciples a new commandment,
to love one another as he loved them.
Write this commandment in our hearts;
give us the will to serve others as he was the servant of all,
who gave his life and died for us,
yet is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. Amen.*

PRELUDE

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

Johannes Brahms

CALL TO WORSHIP

In remembrance, we gather:

to be with the One who teaches us the meaning of faithfulness.

In remembrance, we worship:

lifting our voices to the One who calls us to love one another.

In remembrance, we feast:

**breaking the bread which makes us whole,
drinking the cup which fills us with grace.**

*SONG OF DEVOTION

Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken

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CALL TO CONFESSION

ADMITTING OUR BROKENNESS

Eternal God, whose covenant with us is never broken, we confess that we fail to fulfill your will. Though you have bound yourself to us, we will not bind ourselves to you. In Jesus Christ you serve us freely, but we refuse your love and withhold ourselves from others. We do not love you fully or love one another as you command.

In your mercy, forgive and cleanse us. Lead us once again to your table and unite us to Christ, who is the bread of life and the vine from which we grow in grace.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

COMMUNION

As we come forward to receive communion by intinction, we will sing the Taizé song, *Jesus, Remember Me*, number 227 in the hymnal.

*Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.
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PROCLAIMING THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 22:14—23:56

Readers: Joan Cole, Lucy Lanning, Vince Leseney & Michael Yeager

SILENT MEDITATION

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

SONG OF REFLECTION

Were You There

Vince Leseney

STRIPPING OF THE CHURCH

Please depart the sanctuary in silence.

*Those who are able may stand.