

Maundy Thursday

April 9 – 7:30 PM

The Approach to God

The Prelude:

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross - Hal. H. Hopson

What Wondrous Love Is This - Kurt Kaiser

The Chiming of the Hour

The Reading:

The light has come into the world, and the world loved the darkness rather than the light.

God sent his Son into the world, not to condemn the world,

but that the world might be saved through him.

Opening Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 168:1,2

**O sacred head, now wounded,
with grief and shame weighed down,
now scornfully surrounded
with thorns, your only crown.
O sacred head, what glory
and blessing you have known!
Yet, though despised and gory,
I claim you as my own.**

**My Lord, what you did suffer
was all for sinner's gain;
mine, mine was the transgression,
but yours the deadly pain.
So here I kneel, my Savior,
for I deserve your place;
look on me with thy favor
and save me by your grace**

The Service of Communion

The Welcome

The Prayer of Thanksgiving (repeat the prayer as prompted by celebrant)

Sanctus

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Prayer of Consecration *concluded by the Lord's Prayer.*

The Bread – “Beneath the Cross of Jesus” organ and cello

The Wine

Anthem:

There Is a Green Hill Far Away - W. Horsley

*There is a green hill far away, outside a city wall,
where our dear Lord was crucified who died to save us all.*

*We may not know, we cannot tell, what pains he had to bear,
but we believe it was for us he hung and suffered there.*

*He died that we might be forgiven, he died to make us good,
that we might go at last to heaven, saved by his precious blood*

*There was no other good enough, to pay the price of sin,
he only could unlock the gate of heaven and let us in.*

*O dearly, dearly has he loved! And we must love him too,
and trust in his redeeming blood, and try his works to do.*

Meditation

Organ Interlude – “Alas and Did My Savior Bleed”

The Service of Shadows

The Shadow of the Agony of Spirit

The Scripture Reading: Luke 22:39-46

The Response: “What Wondrous Love is This” played by cello

The Shadow of Arrest

The Scripture Reading: Luke 22:47-53

The Response: “What Wondrous Love is This” played by cello

The Shadow of Denial

The Scripture Reading: Luke 22:54-62

The Response: Lift Up Your Hearts 164:1

**What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this,
That caused the Lord of bliss,
To bear the dreadful curse,
For my soul, for my soul,
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul.**

The Shadow of Condemnation

The Scripture Reading: Mark 15:1-15

The Response: All Sing - Lift Up Your Hearts 164:1

The Shadow of Mockery

The Scripture Reading: Matthew 27:27-31

The Response: All sing - Lift Up Your Hearts 164:1

The Shadow of Crucifixion

The Scripture Reading: Mark 15:21-24, 29-32

The Response: All sing - Lift Up Your Hearts 164:1

The Shadow of Death

The Scripture Reading: John 19:28-30

The Christ Candle Is Removed

The Shadow of Burial

The Scripture Reading: Matthew 27:57-61

The Solo: "Were You There?"

*Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble.*

*Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble.*

The Time of Silent Reflection

The Response: Lift Up Your Hearts 175

**When I survey the wondrous cross
on which the Prince of glory died,
my richest gain I count but loss,
and pour contempt on all my pride.**

**Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast
save in the death of Christ, my God!
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them through his blood.**

**See, from his head, his hands, his feet,
sorrow and love flow mingled down.
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
or thorns compose so rich a crown?**

**Were the whole realm of nature mine,
that were a present far too small.
Love so amazing, so divine,
demands my soul, my life, my all.**

The Dismissal

Leader: May Jesus Christ, who for our sakes became obedient unto death, even death on a cross, keep you and strengthen you.

People: Amen.

The Silent Recessional

Participants:

Reverend Peter Jonker - preaching minister:
Pastor Bob Grussing - liturgist
Dr. Larry Visser - organist, pianist
Calin Muresan - cellist
Jason Reiffer - vocalist