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Sunday: Maundy Thursday, Year B

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP:

I love the Lord, because God has heard my voice and my supplications.

You have inclined your ear to me; therefore I will call on you as long as I live.

What shall I return to the Lord? I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on your name, O God.

I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all God's people.

Let us worship God!

PRAYER OF ADORATION:

No God can compare with you, O Lord; your works are awesome. Nations bow down before you. They glorify your name. Your greatness penetrates each moment of our day. Through the night you care for us. As the day dawns your splendor fills the heavens. As we arise and give you glory, you empower us to serve you in all we do. Not a breath passes our lips that we do not know of your presence. We enter now the gates of your temple to sing you our praises. Be pleased with our worship as we honor your name. Amen.

HYMN: They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love (300)

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

"By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." We are not always that willing to love one another, especially when others have wronged us for whatever reasons. We hold grudges rather than confront our aggressors. We talk *about* them rather than *to* them. As Judas betrayed Jesus we continue to deceive the risen Christ. As we partake of the Lord's Supper the table is not yet spread with good will. Forgive our reluctance to humble ourselves and wash us anew with the waters of new life. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

PASSING THE PEACE (*honking horns, waving*)

GLORIA PATRI

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE: John 13:1-17, 31b-35

PRE-SERMON PRAYER

SERMON: Self-Love of Neighbor

POST-SERMON PRAYER

HYMN: Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken (498)

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of Heaven and Earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from Heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into Heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION/THE LORD'S PRAYER

... Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayers.** (x5)

MISSION STATEMENT: Our mission is to proclaim and demonstrate the inclusiveness of God's Love to the people of the Ozarks and the needy of the world.

DOXOLOGY

OFFERTORY PRAYER:

COMMUNION

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is truly right . . . who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

You are holy, . . . Great is the mystery of faith.

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Gracious God, . . . Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, almighty God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Words of Institution

Prayer after Communion

Holy God, we thank you for this feast of grace and life. As we have been served, help us to serve our neighbors. As we have been fed, help us to feed all who are hungry. As we have been loved, help us to love the world- because in Jesus Christ you have loved us. **Amen.**

STRIPPING OF THE CHURCH:

Psalm 22 is read while the sanctuary is stripped.

All leave in silence; no postlude.