

Come the able

Maundy Thursday, April 14, 2022

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Maundy Thursday receives it's name from the Latin mandatum novum do vobis, "A new commandment I give you."

This new commandment, given by Jesus on the night he washed the disciples' feet, was "to love one another just as I have loved you." It is his example of—and our call to—love and service that we remember on Maundy Thursday.

Welcome and Prayer for the Meal

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John 13:1-17, 31-35 (NIV)

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²The evening meal was in progress, and the devil had already prompted Judas, the son of Simon Iscariot, to betray Jesus. ³Jesus knew that the Father had put all things under his power, and that he had come from God and was returning to God; ⁴so he got up from the meal, took off his outer clothing, and wrapped a towel around his waist. ⁵After that, he poured water into a basin and began to wash his disciples' feet, drying them with the towel that was wrapped around him.

⁶He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?"

⁷Jesus replied, "You do not realize now what I am doing, but later you will understand."

8"No," said Peter, "you shall never wash my feet."

Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no part with me."

9"Then, Lord," Simon Peter replied, "not just my feet but my hands and my head as well!"

¹⁰Jesus answered, "Those who have had a bath need only to wash their feet; their whole body is clean. And you are clean, though not every one of you." ¹¹For he knew who was going to betray him, and that was why he said not everyone was clean.

¹²When he had finished washing their feet, he put on his clothes and returned to his place. "Do you understand what I have done for you?" he asked them. ¹³"You call me 'Teacher' and 'Lord,' and rightly so, for that is what I am. ¹⁴Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. ¹⁵I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you. ¹⁶Very truly I tell you, no servant is greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. ¹⁷Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them.

³¹When he was gone, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man is glorified and God is glorified in him. ³²If God is glorified in him, God will glorify the Son in himself, and will glorify him at once.

³³"My children, I will be with you only a little longer. You will look for me, and just as I told the Jews, so I tell you now: Where I am going, you cannot come.

³⁴"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. ³⁵By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."

Call to Worship

Leader: Jesus said: I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another.

People: On this day, Christ gathered with his disciples in the upper room.

Leader: On this day, Christ took a towel and washed the disciples' feet.

People: On this day, Christ broke bread for his disciples, telling them to eat.

Leader: On this day, Christ poured out wine, telling them to drink of the cup of new life.

All: On this day, Christ gave his whole self, that we too might follow and find abundant life.

Hymn

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

- 1. Come, Thou Fount of every blessing,
 Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
 Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
 Call for songs of loudest praise.
 Teach me some melodious sonnet,
 Sung by flaming tongues above;
 Praise His name, I'm fixed upon it,
 Name of God's redeeming love.
- 2. Hitherto Thy love has blest me;
 Thou hast brought me to this place;
 And I know Thy hand will bring me
 Safely home by Thy good grace.
 Jesus sought me when a stranger,
 Wandering from the fold of God;
 He, to rescue me from danger,
 Bought me with His precious blood.
- 3. O to grace how great a debtor
 Daily I'm constrained to be!
 Let Thy goodness, like a fetter,
 Bind my wandering heart to Thee:
 Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
 Prone to leave the God I love;
 Here's my heart, O take and seal it;
 Seal it for Thy courts above.

Scripture John 13

Reflection

"Turning Our Tunics Into Towels"

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CELEBRATING COMMUNION

Prayer of Confession Unison

Merciful God, we confess that so often our faith is weak... when we fail to serve as Jesus served; forgive us... when we fail to love as Jesus loves us; forgive us... when we are quick to proclaim our devotion to Jesus with our lips and deny him with our actions; forgive us. Merciful God, empower us with the Holy Spirit to be steady and true to you in every trial; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Take a moment to silently confess your sins, knowing that God hears you.

Assurance of Forgiveness

1 John 1:9

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Hymn

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

- 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 to His blood.
- 3. 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?
- 4. 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 Celebration of Communion

You have an individual prepackaged communion kit. We will eat the bread and drink the cup together as we remember Christ's death and resurrection and celebrate our common union in Christ.

GOING IN GOD'S NAME

The Lord's Prayer Unison

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Hymn

Take My Life

- Take my life and let it be Consecrated, Lord, to Thee; Take my moments and my days— Let them flow in ceaseless praise, Let them flow in ceaseless praise.
- 2. Take my hands and let them move At the impulse of Thy love; Take my feet and let them be Swift and beautiful for Thee, Swift and beautiful for Thee.
- 3. Take my voice and let me sing Always, only, for my King; Take my lips and let them be Filled with messages from Thee, Filled with messages from Thee.

- 4. Take my silver and my gold Not a mite would I withhold; Take my intellect and use Ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose, Ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose.
- 5. Take my will and make it Thine It shall be no longer mine;
 Take my heart it is Thine own,
 It shall be Thy royal throne,
 It shall be Thy royal throne.
- 6. Take my love my Lord, I pour At Thy feet its treasure store; Take myself and I will be Ever, only, all for Thee, Ever, only, all for Thee.

Benediction

Welcome to El Montecito Presbyterian Church

Welcome Visitors! We are glad you chose to worship with us today. Please fill out a Visitor Card found at the entrance or email us at admin@elmopres.org so we can get to know you better and send you our weekly newsletter. You can also connect with us on our website at: elmopres.org or on Instagram @elmopres or subscribe to our YouTube channel: El Montecito Presbyterian Church.

ELMO Pres Kids & Youth

Sunday School for nursery age - grade 5 from 10:20—11:30 AM. Please check-in at the courtyard entrance. Elementary age children remain in worship until dismissed for ELMO Pres Kids Sunday school.

Middle School Youth Group (6th-8th grade) on the 1st and 3rd Fridays of the month from 6:30-8:30 on the lower patio at ELMO Pres. Games, pizza, friends and God's Word!

Easter at ELMO

Good Friday, April 15th

Join us at 12:30 PM in the sanctuary as we explore the seven final words of Jesus from the cross.

Easter Sunday, April 17th

9:00 AM in the sanctuary (Livestream) or 10:30 AM in the courtyard for a celebration of our living and risen Savior!

ELMO Pres Kids Easter Program, April 17th

10:20-11:30 AM in the outside Early School space (nursery/preschool) 10:30-11:30 AM on the lower patio & playground (kindergarten-5th grade)

God is with you! And, we're here for you in person, by phone or online.

Office hours, Monday—Thursday, 9 AM to 2 PM

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