



# BROADWAY

## UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

7:00 p.m.

April 21, 2011

### MAUNDY THURSDAY



*Also called "Holy Thursday," this evening's name comes from the new commandment Jesus gives in John 13:34 – "Mandatum novum" is Latin for "new commandment." By Christian tradition, the Maundy Thursday liturgy is one of endings and beginnings: what we began on Ash Wednesday comes to a close on this night, and what begins on this night – "the Three Sacred Days" (Triduum) – leads us through the Vigil, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday to Easter's Resurrection.*

**Welcome!** We are glad that you have joined us this evening.

**Hearing enhancement aids, large print hymnals and large print bulletins** are available from the ushers.

**Song numbers** with the designation "FS" refer to selections from *The Faith We Sing* books. All other selections are from the *United Methodist Hymnal*.

## **Gathering Music**

### **Gathered in God's Story**

*We join a solemn journey of three days that has changed the world and our own lives. Followers of Jesus have been taking this journey since his first followers took it, long ago.*

*(silence is kept)*

*This is the night of love.*

*(silence is kept)*

*On this night Jesus took a towel and basin, and washed his disciples' feet. On this night he told them to do the same for others to show their love for him and for one another.*

**This is the night of love.**

*(silence is kept)*

*On this night, Jesus broke bread and shared wine with his followers for the last time, and invited them to remember him and to encounter him anew whenever they did the same.*

**This is the night of love.**

*(silence is kept)*

*On this night, followers of Jesus have welcomed those who have returned to the way of Jesus after a time of wandering and a journey of returning.*

**This is the night of love.**

*(silence is kept)*

*This is the night of love.*

*And so, on this night, we are all welcome, we are all invited – to join in hearing and obeying the commandment of Jesus and to feast at table, that we may love one another as Jesus loves us.*

**Hymn of Faith**

**What Wondrous Love is This**

# 292  
vs. 2-3

**From the Psalter**

Psalm 116:1-2, 12-13

\* Those who are able, please stand.

(**Bold type** within liturgy indicates congregational response)

## A Prayer of Confession

*Let us pray.*

**God! It's so hard for us to receive.**

**It's so hard for us to accept your unending love.**

**So hard to receive your amazing grace.**

**It's so difficult for us to really believe that you call us "beloved."**

**So difficult for us to accept that your gifts to us are unending – the gifts of life, of love, of forgiveness, of mercy, of justice.**

**It's so hard for us to believe that you gave Jesus to us, to live and die for us.**

**So hard for us to do what Jesus told us to do, to love as he did.**

**It's so hard for us to imagine that you love us that very same way – touching us, washing us, giving us new life and a clean slate.**

**Help us, God.**

**Help us to accept all that you give.**

**Help us to say "thank you."**

## The Sung Response

**"O God, You Are My God"**

O God, you are my God; my soul thirsts for you.  
As in a dry and weary land, you are water to my soul.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major, 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of the response, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line. The lyrics are written below the notes.

## Assurance of God's Love

*God offers us the water of life and the Table of forgiveness.*

**Thanks be to God!**

## Lectio, Reflectio and Collectio: Inviting All to Listen for the Spirit

**From the Gospel**

**John 13:1-7, 12-16, 34-35**

**Responding to the Spirit: Washing**

*This is the night of love. Jesus washed his disciples' feet, reversing roles of teacher and student; servant and host; and told them to do the same to show the world God's love and theirs. On this night, we wash each other's feet or face – obeying Jesus' command to love one another as he has loved us.*

Come.

*Let Christ love you here, and share that love with another.*

[You are invited to receive and give God's love at one of two stations where we will wash and be washed.

*"I seek to love you as Jesus loves."*

**"Thank you. I accept your act of love."**]

**Invitation**

**The Great Thanksgiving**

*Your majestic love overwhelms us with wonder, Holy One, and the universe rejoices. Blessed indeed is the one who loves in your name.*

**In the power of Jesus we gather at this table, remembering all that you have given us.**

*We remember Jesus' healing touch, his strong compassion, his righteous anger, and his prayerful strength. Bone of our bone and flesh of our flesh, he claims us by grace.*

**We remember how he gathered your people, stranger and friend alike, gave thanks to you, offered them the bread of life and the cup of blessing, and proclaimed a new covenant in your name.**

*Remembering the wonder of his life, the agony of his death, and the resurrection of his Spirit, we unite in the friendship born of this table, giving thanks always that we are gathered in the mystery of one faith.*

**Christ has died,**

**Christ is risen,**

**Christ is with us now!**

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## **The Great Thanksgiving** [continued...]

*We ask you to send your Spirit upon us, loving God, and upon this bread and fruit of the vine, that in eating and drinking together we might strengthen our commitment to do justice, celebrate creation, and honor the human differences through which your love shines.*

**Bless our communion with strength and purpose, we pray, and make us a more compassionate people. We pray as one in the communion of the Holy Spirit, giving glory and honor to you, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

*The bread, which we break, symbolizes our communion in the body of Christ.*

**In eating this bread you and I become one.**

*The cup, which we pour, symbolizes our communion in the risen life.*

**In drinking this cup our lives overflow with grace.**

*The table is ready; let us share in the feast.*



[You are invited to come forward, have your hands washed, and gather around the Table.]

## **Closing Hymn**

## **Bind Us Together**

FS 2226 tune

Bind us together, God, bind us together with cords that cannot be broken. Bind us together, God, bind us together, bind us together in love. There is only one God, one love that God brings; there is only one body, and that is why we sing. Bind us together, God, bind us together with cords that cannot be broken. Bind us together, God, bind us together, bind us together in love.

## **The Benediction**

*This is the night of love.*

*Go forth in the strength of this feast, in the care of this community, and with the love and blessing of our Triune God.*

**Amen.**

Please your offering tonight in the Narthex — thank you.  
You are invited to stay for our potluck community meal and our all-night Vigil.

### **ACKNOWLEDGMENTS**

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**Great Thanksgiving:** Adapted from *The Feast of Our Lives: Re-Imaging Communion* by June Christine Goudey. Cleveland: The Pilgrim Press, 2002.

**All other liturgy** written and adapted by Carol McPherson & Lois McCullen Parr.

**Pianists:** Sam Duplessis and Jenn Peterson

## Holy Week Schedule

### From Joyous Procession...to the Passion...to the Glorious Resurrection

#### Palm/Passion Sunday April 17

Ministry Fair, 12:30pm



#### Monday-Friday April 18-22

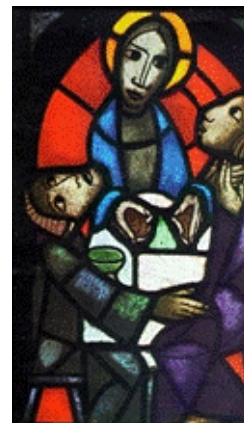
Sanctuary open for prayer 6-7pm

#### Maundy Thursday April 21

Worship with Holy Communion, 7pm

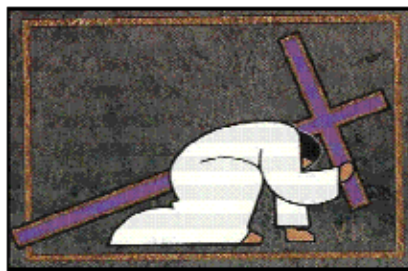
Followed by Community Dinner

Followed by All-Night Vigil



#### Good Friday April 22

Good Friday Worship, 7pm



#### Holy Saturday April 23

"Writing in the Shadows": A writing workshop

10am-1pm (lunch provided)

Hosted by the Mental Health & Spirituality Group

#### Easter Sunday April 24

Sunrise Service with Holy Covenant

Meet at 5:30am (Sunrise at 5:57am)

7:00am Meditative walk to North Pond

from Sunrise to the Pond, returning to Broadway

8:45am Worship

10:00am Easter Celebration Brunch

11:00am Worship



For more information on Holy Week, please see the April Newsletter or talk to one of the pastors.

*I came that you might have life, and have life abundantly. ~ Jesus, in the Gospel according to John*

*The Glory of God is the human being who is fully alive. ~ Irenaeus, 2<sup>nd</sup> Century Bishop*

Holy Week, 2011

Dear Broadway,

Our images for this year's Lenten theme, "Water to our Souls," have been those of new life: Baptism; "born from above;" healing; life conquering death. As we move from Lent into the holiest week of our faith story, we again are confronted with how deeply suffering is felt – and how God's power can overcome it.

Many people who talk with us about Broadway also speak about power – the power they've experienced in our identity as a community of faith that is committed to justice. We believe that our commitments to the radically inclusive love of God are a way to live "abundantly" and to be "fully alive." When we use our power for good, when we empower others, and when we choose to use our influence in ways that help to liberate and give life to others, we believe we are carrying out that justice-love.

One of the ways Broadway has historically done that is through partner organizations. As a member congregation of Lakeview Action Coalition (LAC), we support the mission to "develop leaders, foster diversity, and act together for justice" in tangible ways. We are currently working with LAC to urge the Chicago Police to develop a policy of respect for interaction with persons who identify as transgender or who are gender fluid.

We are also a member congregation of the Chicago Coalition of Welcoming Churches, an organization committed to "celebrating God's love for ALL people." Through CCWC, we participate in the annual PRIDE Month witness (including the parade as well as other events), help to staff the Market Days booth for a witness in Lakeview, and work collaboratively and ecumenically on issues and ministry.

Our identity as a Reconciling Congregation connects us to Reconciling Ministries Network (RMN), the organization committed to changing our United Methodist denomination's institutional bigotry against persons who identify as GLBTQ. Our efforts include support of legislation for the Northern Illinois Conference Annual Conference as well as the Global General Conference (the next one in 2012), where we continue to pray, speak, act, and hope for change.

One of the practical ways we can support our member organization status in these three vital witnesses for justice – and a way we can use our power to make change – is to contribute dues to these social action ministries. LAC, CCWC, and RMN all depend on the support of individuals, member organizations, and grant support to keep alive the vision of progressive movements. For this year's special Easter offering, we are dedicating our gifts to that purpose, which is to say: we are dedicating ourselves again to justice.

These powerful acts of hope and justice are what the message of Easter is all about. We can't do this important work without your support. We invite you to make a special contribution towards Broadway's Easter offering so that our continued support of justice for all can be realized. Thanks so much for being part of this ministry!

In solidarity,

Rev. Lois McCullen Parr and Rev. Vernice Thorn

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## **UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

### **BROADWAY'S MISSION STATEMENT**

“God calls Broadway United Methodist Church to be a faith community embracing the diversity of our Chicago neighborhood and larger community. We welcome all persons – celebrating the human family’s God-given diversity of race, age, gender, sexual orientation, and physical or mental capacity. We also welcome persons of all social and economic classes and faith backgrounds. At Broadway, we are accepted into God’s nurturing family, which invites us into spiritual growth through worship, study, mission, and social action. We are grateful for the opportunities God gives us to experience and share the love of Christ.”



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