## Order of Worship

## Maundy Thursday

## April 17, 2025 7:00 PM

Welcome to this time of worship, as we gather in the name of Jesus Christ.

**Prelude**What Wondrous Love Is This?
American Folk Hymn
Lisa Gibbs-Smith, piano
arr. Mark Hayes

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?

To bear the areaaror earse for my seen.

To God and to the Lamb, I will sing!

To God and to the Lamb, who is the great I Am, while millions join the theme, I will sing!

**Welcome** Rev. Nilse Furtado-Gilliam

**Greeting**CJ Redden-Liotta

Leader: God has called us to this holy hour to remember and reflect.

People: We gather around the table to see Jesus with his friends,

washing their feet, offering them bread.

Leader: Jesus models humility and servanthood, sacrifice and love!

People: We respond with our worship and praise!

Hymn Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy UMH 340

**Prayer of Confession**CJ Redden-Liotta

Leader: Merciful, Mighty, Matchless One,

You have loved us to the end. There was betrayal in our heart,

People: Yet you loved us anyway.

Leader: You knew we would deny you,

People: Yet you loved us anyway.

Leader: In our selfishness, we balked, we objected, we disapproved,

People: Yet you loved us anyway.

Leader: We sought to point the finger at anyone other than ourselves,

People: Yet you loved us anyway.

Leader: Forgive us, we pray.

All: Renew our healing convictions,

Restore our call to service.

Rekindle our flame for justice,

That we may once again become your people of peace. Amen.

Words of Assurance Rev. Wines

Leader: Receive the good news.

The One who created us has called us.

There is now no condemnation, No shame at the table of God.

Only the love that makes us whole again. Only the love we offer others.

In God's name, we are forgiven.

People: In God's name, we have been set free. Amen.

Anthem What Feast of Love Thomas Keesecker

**Chancel Choir** 

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

The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

**Reflection** Rev. Wines

Hymn An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare

**Prayers of Intercession** Rev. Furtado-Gilliam

Leader: Jesus has set an example for us;

People: help us to follow him.

Hymn Lamb of God

**Dismissal with Blessing**Rev. Wines

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Please join us for Good Friday worship tomorrow at 7PM and for a celebration of our risen Lord on Easter Sunday at 6:30AM (outdoors weather permitting) and at 10AM in the sanctuary and online.

Prayer of Confession and Words of Assurance adapted from Michael Anthony Howard on the Worship Ways website at https://www.ucc.org/worship-way/maundy-thursday-c-april-14-2022/
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