

During the service, you will be given a time to meditate, reflect, and pray. We have provided some guides to assist you, or if you would rather dive into scripture and prayer on your own during this time. Jesus says, “Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me.” (Rev. 3: 20). Let’s seek Him together tonight!

PRAISE SONG

“Bless the Lord My Soul”

“I Love the Lord”

“Alleluia Jesus, True and Living Bread”

CHORAL PRAISE

“If Ye Love Me”

WELCOME

CONGREGATIONAL WORSHIP SONG

“Live In Charity” (with Scripture Readings)

MEDITATION

“Communing with the Savior”

John 13:33-35; Luke 22:14-20; John 6:47-58

FELLOWSHIP COMMUNION MEAL

“The Blessing”

Reflection Time

Soft Music will be playing

When you are ready to take the Sacrament of Holy Communion, you may eat from the loaf of bread and drink from the cup provided. Remain at the table as long as you wish or take the meal back to your pew with you. When you are finished reflecting and praying, our worship team will begin leading people in song. Please join in if you wish but take as long as you need to meditate. Do not feel like you are being rushed.

Scripture Verses:

John 17	Romans 12	1 John 4: 7-21
John 15: 1-17	Job 37	Matthew 26: 17-30
Ephesians 3: 14-20	1 Corinthians 13	Hebrews 12: 1-3

Prayers:

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the whole world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood. By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet. Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.

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Forbid, O God, that we should forget, amid our early comforts, the pains and mortal anguish that our Lord Jesus endured for our salvation. Grant us this day a true vision of all that he suffered: his betrayal, his lonely agony, his false trial, his mocking and scourging, the torture of the cross; that, remembering his sufferings and death, we may give ourselves wholly to you; through the same Jesus Christ our only Lord and Savior. Amen.

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Almighty God, who in Jesus Christ conquered tears by crying, pain by suffering, and death by dying: Mercifully grant that we who commemorate his passion, being always obedient to your holy will, may by your grace receive that life which triumphs over sin and death; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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We confess tonight that we are like those who crucified our Lord. We are like those who denied Jesus – refusing to claim him as Lord of our whole life. We are like those who have mocked him – forgetting his power in this world. We are like those who made him a crown of thorns – diminishing his authority in our lives. We are like those who hung him on a Cross – choosing the allure of violence and fear rather than justice and peace. We are like those who turned away their gaze – afraid to enter into the suffering of this world. Forgive us. Have mercy upon us. Amen.

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Lord God, you sent your Son into the world, and before his hour had come, he washed his disciples' feet. You had given all things into his hands. He had come from you, and was going to you, and what did he do? He knelt down on the floor, and washed his friends' feet. He was their teacher and their Lord, yet he washed their feet. Lord God, help us learn from his example; Help us to do as he has done for us. The world will know we are his disciples if we love one another. Strengthen our hands and our wills for love and for service. Keep before our eyes the image of your Son, who, being God, became a Servant for our sake. All glory be to him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever. Amen.

Glorious God, we give you thanks this night for the privilege of gathering to remember, to celebrate, and to share. We give you thanks for the journey we have been on with you—from manger to Temple, from Egypt to Galilee, from darkness to light. Tonight we feast, as you did on a night like this so long ago, remembering your promises, your mighty deeds, your rescue of your people, your saving grace. As we share this meal tonight, make us mindful of those who are hungry. As we celebrate together, make us mindful of those who sorrow and those who are alone. As we remember once again all you have done and all that you are, form us once again into your people. May all who hunger come to rejoice in the feast of your kingdom. Let all the human family sit at your table, drink the wine of deliverance, and eat the bread of freedom. We pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen.

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Ever-gracious God, we gather in this evening hour as friends gathered with Jesus in an Upper Room long ago. We come bearing the marks and burdens of a bitter and broken world. We come from anonymous places, with dry and thirsty spirits. Remind us, in the breaking of the bread, of our need and of your great sufficiency. Refresh us and make us whole with the cup of forgiveness. Draw us nearer to each other in mutual service and closer to you in the covenant of faithfulness and thanksgiving. As the night advances, deepen in us a sense of your steadfast love for us in Jesus Christ, our friend and Redeemer. Amen.

### **Psalms:**

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| Psalm 16 | Psalm 23  | Psalm 84  |
| Psalm 27 | Psalm 139 | Psalm 1   |
| Psalm 40 | Psalm 51  | Psalm 147 |

### **PRAISE SONG**

*"When I Survey the Wonderful Cross"*

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER BENEDICTION**

### **CLOSING PRAISE SONG**

*"They'll Know We are Christians by Our Love"*



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