Scripture Reading Luke 22:14-20

Communion Hymn #403

In Remembrance of Me

The Lord's Supper Gethsemane Prayer - Sewell

All: Here we celebrate that all people are welcome at this table of God's grace.

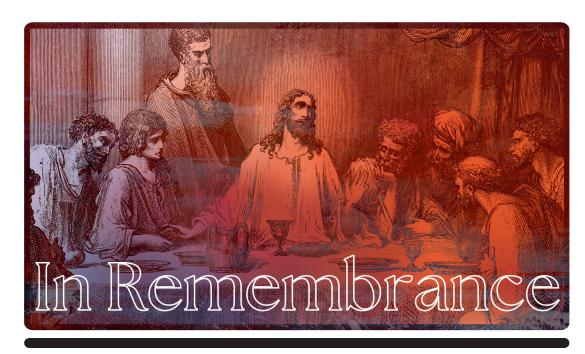
Hymn #411

For the Bread, Which You Have Broken

†Benediction

Postlude Gethsemane Tears - Canales





April 17, 2025

6:00 pm

First Christian Church



Maundy Thursday + indicates standing, if able

This Evening's Meditation

The purpose of the Lord's Supper is to receive from Christ the nourishment and strength and hope and joy that come from feasting our souls on all that He purchased for us on the cross, especially His own fellowship.

-John Piper

Welcome

Music for Meditation

Herzliebster Jesu - Cruger/Hamilton

A Moment of Silence

†Call to Worship

Leader: A table is set before us. A feast is prepared for us.

People: A meal of hope and spiritual nourishment, a meal of love

and grace.

Leader: The Lord calls us to this supper of remembrance.

People: The Lord calls us to serve and to be served.

Leader: As we break the bread and share the cup,

People: Our understanding may fail us.

Leader: But we will never forget Christ's example.

People: We will never forget the full extent of his love.

†Opening Hymn #429

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart

†Opening Prayer

Leader: Let us pray together...

All: Ever-gracious God, we gather this evening 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 of your grace and love. 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. Through this time, deepen in us a sense of your steadfast love for us in Jesus Christ, our friend and Redeemer. And it is in the name of Jesus that we pray the prayer he taught us...Our Father...

Confession and Pardon

Leader: As we come before God this special night, let us take a moment to consider where we have fallen short of God's will

Moment of Silent Prayer

People: Most merciful God, as your church, we confess that often our spirit has not been that of Christ. Where we have failed to love one another as he loves us, where we have pledged loyalty to him with our lips and then betrayed, deserted, or denied him, forgive us, we pray; and by your Spirit make us faithful in every time of trial; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Leader: Christ suffered and died for us, was raised from the dead and ascended on high for us, and continues to intercede for us. Believe the good news: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

People: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Scripture Reading Psalm 116:1–2, 12–19

Special Music Sanctuary Choir

If You Love Me Joel Raney

Scripture Reading Exodus 12:1 –14

†Hymn #419

All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly

Scripture Reading Mark 14:12-16

A Time of Prayer

Scripture Reading John 13:1–17, 31b–35

Hymn #416

Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face