MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE

Pewee Valley Presbyterian Church April 6, 2023

Prelude <u>Iesus Paid it All</u>

arr. P COTA

My Jesus I Love Thee

arr. P COTA

At the Cross

arr. P COTA

PVPC Handbell Ensemble

Welcome and Announcements

Reverend Joel Weible

First Reading

John 12:27-36

Ashia Stoess

Hymn 202 An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare

O WALY WALY

Opening Litany and Prayer

Leader: What part of ourselves is found at table with Jesus,

eating, drinking and remembering?

People: What part of ourselves is found in the shadow of

the mob that streamed to Calvary?

Leader: We are in all places tonight. Let us pray together...

Tonight, O God, we will realize that we have not kept our minds at the table of memory, or our eyes upon your saving cross. As the realities of this night and the days ahead set in, turn us, O Lord. Stretch our boundaries, stir our hearts, and inflame our souls to behold you in every fragment of life, to feel you in every moment of time, and to serve you on every occasion with obedience and joy. Amen.

Musical Offering The Weeping Tree

J.M. MARTIN

Chancel Choir

Second Reading John 13:1-9

Meditation Washing, Remembering, and Forsaking

Rev. Joel Weible

The Washing and the Sacrament of Communion Invitation

Words of Institution: John 17:6-9,16-21a

The Washing

Come forward down the middle aisle and dip you fingers into the water. Dry them on the towel.

The Remembering: Communion by Intinction

Move to the wall aisles where the bread and cup are waiting for you. Take a piece of bread, dip it in the cup, and partake of both elements at the same time. Return to your seat by the wall aisle. If you prefer, the elements will be brought to you.

Communion Music Ah, Holy Jesus

arr. D. BLAIR

Iames Bates, trumpet

Communion Prayer (unison)

Everlasting God, who was and is, and is to come, we do not want to separate, we do not want to alienate, and we do not want to forsake. But we know what the future holds. In the breaking of the bread, we thank you for reminding us of our need and of your sufficiency. In our drinking from the cup, we thank you for reminding us of your forgiveness. As the night advances, deepen in us a sense of your steadfast love in and through Jesus Christ. Amen

The Forsaking John 18:1-8 and 19:16b-18

Hymn 228 Were You There WERE YOU THERE

Shrouding of the Cross

Final Reading John 19:28-30

Departure in Silence

THE WEEPING TREE

Upon the wind there comes a call, a whisper soft and low, A lonesome cry that fills the night and echoes through the soul.

It stirs the seekers tender heart, it bids them come and see, To kneel in shadows cast by grace, to touch the weeping tree.

Against the sky the timbers rise, a silhouette of grace, A rugged throne for heaven's own, the sinner's hiding place.

Its burdened arms reach out to all; they draw the world to see The price of love is paid in blood upon the weeping tree.

O come to the place where promise lives and rest where hope begins, Where crimson leaves adorn the ground, a gift from graceful winds.

O come and walk the winding path that leads to Calvary. Come lay your burdens down and rest beneath the weeping tree. Come lay your burdens down and rest beneath the weeping tree.

Easter Morning

Worship - 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

On this, our highest Holy Day, we will gather to flower the cross that has loomed before us throughout Lent and now stands as our primary promise of abundant new life for all.

Please bring flowers with you.

Easter Sunrise Service at 7:00a

South Oldham Interchurch Council's annual Easter service at the Goldfish Pond in Floydsburg Cemetery; bad weather site is inside Duncan Memorial Chapel.



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