## MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE

Pewee Valley Presbyterian Church March 28, 2024

Prelude <u>Jesus, Your Great Suffering</u> J. BREDEWOUT

**Welcome and Announcements** Reverend Joel Weible

**First Reading** Matthew 26:17-21

**Hymn 202** An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare OWALYWALY

**Opening Litany and Prayer** Ashia Stoess

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

mob that streamed to Calvary?

People: What part of ourselves creates nails in other

forms that wound our siblings - and our God?

Leader: Let us pray together...

Tonight, we realize that we have not kept our eyes upon your saving cross, nor listened with undivided attention to your voice. 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 Weeping Tree

Chancel Choir

**Second Reading** Matthew 26:14-16

**Meditation** WILDERNESS LONELINESS Rev. Joel Weible

**Third Reading** Matthew 26:20-25

Sacrament of Communion Invitation and Prayer Words of Institution

Matthew 26:26-30

**Communion by Intinction** 

All are invited to stand, move to the center aisle, and come forward to receive Communion. Take a piece of bread, dip it in the cup, and partake of both elements at the same time. **Also**, take a stone from the table or the basket and then return to your seat by the center aisle. If you prefer, the elements will be brought to you.

**Communion Music** O Man, Bewail Thy Great Sin J.S. BACH

**Fourth Reading** Matthew 26:31-35

**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

**Fifth Reading** Matthew 26:47-52

**Hymn 228** Were You There? WERE YOU THERE

**Shrouding of the Cross** 

**Final Reading** Matthew 26:55-56

**Departure in Silence** 

## **EASTER MORNING**

Sunday, March 31

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

On this, our highest Holy Day, we will gather together 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 – and a few extra for others who gather.

## Easter Sunrise Service at 7:00a

South Oldham Interchurch Council's annual service returns this year. Please join us at the Goldfish Pond in Floydsburg Cemetery; bad weather site is inside Duncan Memorial Chapel.



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