



HOLY THURSDAY

April 13, 2017

7:30 p.m.

Morristown United Methodist Church
50 South Park Place
Morristown, NJ

† Identifies times to stand, if you are able

PRELUDE

Deck Thyself, My Soul, With Gladness

J.S. Bach
Jennifer Yang

INTROIT

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

Sarah A Michal
No. 626

*Let all mortal flesh keep silence, and with fear and trembling stand;
Ponder nothing earthly-minded, for with blessing in his hand,
Christ our God to earth descendeth, our full homage to demand.
King of kings, yet born of Mary, as of old on earth he stood,
Lord of lords, in human vesture, in the body and the blood;
He will give to all the faithful his own self for heav'nly food.*

† CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Dr. Brandon Cho

Leader: This is a day of memory . . .
as we remember the saving love of God,
and the claim Christ makes on our lives.

People: Gratitude calls us here.

Leader: This is a day of mystery . . .
as we eat of the bread of life
and drink from the cup of salvation.

People: Wonder invites us to go deeper.

Leader: This is a day of deep knowing . . .
as Christ washes our feet
and as we feel the depth of God's love.

People: God leads us home.

† OPENING HYMN

O Thou Who This Mysterious Bread

No. 613

† OPENING PRAYER (in unison)

Charles Buck

**Gather us in your love, O God,
as Jesus gathered his disciples;
washing their feet,
and sharing his very self
in the Sedar meal.
Gather us in your love, Eternal Spirit,
as we gather in Jesus' name;
washing one another's feet
and sharing Christ's gift of self
in the Lord's Supper.
Gather us in your love, Holy One,
that we may gather in you. Amen.**

(Please be seated.)

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

**In our eyes, O God, we do not stand.
Our failings are ever before us,
and we feel crushed under their weight.
Yet in your eyes, Holy One, we do not fall,
for we are your beloved children
and shine with the glory of your image.
Help us accept the truth of both visions,
even as we acknowledge
that the deeper insight
belongs to you. Amen.**

SILENT PRAYER/REFLECTION

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Leader: In our suffering and distress, God saves us from the snares of death and offers us the cup of salvation. All who call on the name of the Lord will be saved and receive God's manifold blessings. Therefore, in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven and made whole.

People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven and made whole. Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Ubi Caritas

Victor C. Johnson

Where charity and love are, God is there. Christ's love has gathered us together into one.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it, and let us love one another with a sincere heart.

Chancel Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Charles Buck

Holy One, open our hearts, minds, and lives to your Holy Word. Help us hear your voice in the words we hear and in the silence that lies between them, so that we can embody your living Word in our faith, life, and ministry. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 22:7-20

Charles Buck

Then came the day of Unleavened Bread, on which the Passover lamb had to be sacrificed. **So Jesus sent Peter and John, saying, "Go and prepare the Passover meal for us that we may eat it."** They asked him, "Where do you want us to make preparations for it?" **"Listen," he said to them, "when you have entered the city, a man carrying a jar of water will meet you; follow him into the house he enters and say to the owner of the house, 'The teacher asks you, Where is the guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?' He will show you a large room upstairs, already furnished. Make preparations for us there."** So they went and found everything as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover meal.

When the hour came, he took his place at the table, and the apostles with him. **He said to them, "I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer; for I tell you, I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God."** Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he said, "Take this and divide it among yourselves; for I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes." **Then he took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."** And he did the same with the cup after supper, saying, "This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood."

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"The Passover"

Rev. Dr. Brandon Cho

HOLY COMMUNION

See insert

(You are invited to come forward, kneel at the kneeling rail, and receive your communion. Afterwards, you are welcome to spend an extra moment in prayer at the kneeling rail.)

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Dr. Cho

OFFERTORY

Largo

arr. Robert Lau

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. No. 95

† PRAYER OF DEDICATION (in unison)

Source of love and compassion, fill us with a deep, spiritual longing to taste the cup of your salvation and to know the joys of servant ministry. May the gifts we bring before you this day, be a fulfillment of our vow to offer you our very selves, and to be known by our love. Amen.

† CLOSING HYMN

One Bread, One Body

No. 620

† BENEDICTION

Dr. Cho

Blessed by God, we are called to live.

They will know we are Christians by our love.

Healed by Christ, we are called to love.

They will know we are Christians by our love.

Sustained by the Spirit, we are called to serve.

They will know we are Christians by our love.

† POSTLUDE

Ah, Holy Jesus

Johann Cruger

Please join us for a special Good Friday service tomorrow at 7:30 p.m. The service will feature a dramatic reading of the Last Seven Words of Jesus by Pearl Ontalan.

You are also invited to a special Easter Early Morning Service on the Green at 7:30 a.m. Several friends from the Market Street Mission will join us, and we are invited to Easter Breakfast at the Mission following the service.

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