



WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

THURSDAY, APRIL 2, 2026
MAUNDY THURSDAY



Leading In Worship

Preacher

Rev. Landon Whitsitt, Senior Pastor

Liturgists

Rev. Dr. Michelle Junkin, Pastor of Spiritual Formation
Elder Kim Mitchell, Pastor of Care and Connection

Musicians

Jan McDaniel, Co-Director of Worship and the Arts
Kevin Wilkinson, Co-Director of Worship and the Arts
Steve Thompson, Principal Organist
Dr. Melissa Plamann, Artist in Residence
Elizabeth McCauley, flute
Jeremy Sheets, cello
Lisa Hart, carillon

WORSHIP ORDER

April 2, 2026
Maundy Thursday

Prelude

Adoration

arr. Richard Purvis (1913-1994)

Chiming the Hour

Preparing for Worship

Introit

Wondrous Love

arr. Dale Wood (1934-2003)

***Call to Worship**

Jesus said:

**I give you a new commandment,
that you love one another.
Just as I have loved you,
you should also love one another.**

On this day

Jesus showed us a servant's heart again,
washing the feet of his friends in the upper room.

On this day

Jesus set this feast of love before us
that we may proclaim his life and death
as we eat this bread and drink this cup,
and carry that proclamation of love into the world.

Let us pray.

O God,

your love was made incarnate in Jesus Christ
and revealed to us continually through his life.
Just as he washed the feet of his disciples' in that upper room,
even on the night of his betrayal, wash away our sin so that,
in times of feast and in times of famine,
we may walk the path shown to us by your Son,
praising him always as Lord through the words of our lips,
through the meditations of our hearts,
and through the lives we live.

Amen.

***Hymn (No. 215)**

WONDROUS LOVE

What Wondrous Love Is This (v. 1-3)

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Unifying God,
you created your church to be one body made up of many members,
yet we continue to honor systems that are not of you,
systems that fracture your people.

Lord, have mercy.

Unifying God,
you have set the feast of love before all your children,
yet we use your Holy Church to accentuate differences
and erect barriers for those who are different than we are.

Christ, have mercy.

Unifying God,
you gave us the gift of this meal and commanded us
to remember you when we partake of it, yet we walk out of these
doors and return to lives that fail to proclaim your life and death.

Lord, have mercy.

Kyrie Eleison

VICTIMAE PASCHALI LAUDES

Kyrie Eleison

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son; Chri - ste e - le - i - son; Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son;
Silence is kept.

Prayer for Illumination

First Gospel Reading

John 13:1-17; 31b-35, p. 82

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Scriptural Reflection

Rev. Landon Whitsitt

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.

Prayer of Confession (cont.)

**We have not loved you
with our whole heart and mind and strength;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
In your mercy forgive what we have been,
help us amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be,
so that we may delight in your will
and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name.
Amen.**

Assurance of Grace

Hear these words from John's gospel:
God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world,
but that the world through him might be saved.

Friends, believe the good news:

We are always already loved! Thanks be to God!

*The congregation is invited to come forward to receive a sign
of assurance of God's grace in their lives.*

Musical Meditation

UBI CARITAS (TAIZÉ)

Ubi Caritas

*The refrain will be sung once by the cantors. You are invited join in the singing of the refrain
when it is repeated and thereafter, as we receive the assurance of grace.*

U - bi ca - ri - tas et a - - mor,
Live in char - i - ty and stead - fast love,

u - bi ca - ri - tas De - us i - bi est.
live in char - i - ty; God will dwell with you.

Emily Wilkinson and Kevin Wilkinson, cantors

Second Gospel Reading

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

Mark 14:17-42, p. 39

Scriptural Reflection

Rev. Landon Whitsitt

*Hymn (No. 525)

Let Us Break Bread Together

LET US BREAK BREAD

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Why do we give thanks and praise before this table?

**We give thanks for God's work of creation, liberation,
and salvation.**

It is indeed right, our duty and delight, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to you, O holy Lord, eternal God. You created the heavens and the earth and all that is in them; you made us in your own image; and in countless ways you show us your mercy.

Therefore, with choirs of angels and the whole company of heaven, we worship and adore your glorious name, joining our voices in their unending praise:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

All glory and blessing are yours, O holy God, for in your mercy you gave your only Son, Jesus Christ. He took our human nature and suffered death on the cross for our redemption. There he made a perfect sacrifice for the sins for the whole world.

We praise you that before he suffered and died, our Savior gave us this holy sacrament and commanded us to continue it until he comes again.

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving (continued)

Why do we eat bread at this table?

On the night before he died, Jesus took bread. After giving thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat. This is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Our Savior said, "I am the bread of life; I give life to the world."

Why do we drink from the cup at this table?

The same night Jesus took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant sealed in my blood, shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in remembrance of me."

Our Savior said, "I am the vine, you are the branches; apart from me you can do nothing."

What do we remember at this table?

We remember God's gracious love for us,
Christ's death and resurrection for us,
and the Spirit's tender care for us.

At this table God's Grace becomes real and true.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Dying, you destroyed our death;

rising, you restored our life.

Lord Jesus, come in glory.

Gracious God,

We praise you for pouring out your Holy Spirit
upon us and upon these gifts of bread and cup,
that the bread we break and the cup we bless
may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ.

By your Spirit unite us with the living Christ and with one another,
that we may be one in ministry in every place.

As this bread is Christ's body for us,
send us out to be the body of Christ in the world.

Amen.

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, now and forever.

Amen.

Now let us pray the prayer Jesus taught us, saying:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread,

and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever. Amen**

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Communion is received via intinction with gluten-free wafers and grape juice.

Musical During Communion

BERTHIER

Eat this Bread

The refrain will be sung once by the cantors. You are invited join in the singing of the refrain when it is repeated and thereafter, as we receive the sacrament.

"Eat this bread; drink this cup; come to me and nev - er be hun - gry.

Eat this bread; drink this cup; trust in me and you will not thirst."

Emily Wilkinson and Kevin Wilkinson, cantors

Hymn (No. 833)

ST. MARGARET

O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go (v. 1-3)

Third Gospel Reading

Mark 14:43-46, p. 40

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Dismissal

Closing Voluntary

Le Banquet Céleste

Olivier Messiaen (1908-1992)

*This sign is an invitation, to all who are comfortable and able,
to stand as they offer God thanks and praise.

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HOLY WEEK

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



GOOD FRIDAY

APRIL 3
Worship Service
Communion
7:30 pm



EASTER SUNDAY

APRIL 5
Worship Services in Sanctuary
8:15 am + 10:30 am
Egg Hunt 9:30 am

SENSORY FRIENDLY Easter Egg Hunt

**SATURDAY, APRIL 4 | 10AM
PLAYGROUND**

WPC Easter Egg Hunt

**SUNDAY, APRIL 5 | 9:30AM
PLAYGROUND**