

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PCRT • April 24–26

Proclamation is hosting the 2026 Philadelphia Conference on Reformed Theology, which will focus on Declaring Our Faith: Confessions in the Modern Age. Proclamation members may register at no cost at <https://bit.ly/PPC2026PCRT>. We will also need many volunteers to help the conference run smoothly; view opportunities to serve at <https://bit.ly/PPCserves2026PCRT>.

### Ultimate Retreat • April 24–26

All youth are invited to the ultimate retreat! The 2026 Ultimate Retreat will be held at NorthBay Adventure Camp. Sign up at <https://bit.ly/2026ppcUR>. Speak with Antonio if you have any questions.

### Christianity Explored Training • May 16

We look forward to welcoming Rico Tice to Proclamation on Saturday, May 16, from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m., for a workshop focused on motivating, mobilizing, and training in evangelism. More details are coming soon.

### Kids Camp 2026 • Volunteers Needed

Registration for our Summer Kids Camp 2026 is filling up and we are in need of additional volunteers, including 5 classroom teachers to serve with Pre-K and Kindergarten students. The dates are Monday to Friday, July 13-17, in the mornings. Email [antonio@proclamation.org](mailto:antonio@proclamation.org) if you are interested in serving for all or part of the week.

## VISITING WITH US?

Life's greatest joy is found in fellowship with Jesus Christ and living for God's glory. By proclaiming God's truths of the bible, we hope to equip others to live, love, and speak for Christ.

We would love to have you join us for worship.

Our Sunday worship schedule:

In English 10:30 a.m.

In Korean 9:30 a.m. in the Beechwood Chapel

In Japanese 10:30 a.m. in room 044/046

Family Night at Proclamation is one way our families get connected, build friendships, and grow in their love for each other and the Lord. Dinner is provided and children and adults can attend Bible studies, music rehearsals, and other classes. Toddler childcare is offered.

Our Wednesday Family Night Schedule:

4:45-6:45 p.m. Dinner

5:00-7:00 Children's and youth music rehearsal

5:45-6:45 Soli Deo Gloria handbells rehearsal

7:00-8:30 Trail Life and Girls of Grace (1st-5th grade)

Refinery Youth Group (6th-12th grade)

Chancel Choir rehearsal

Men's and Women's Bible Studies

ESL (English as a Second Language) classes

For more information, visit our website: [www.proclamation.org](http://www.proclamation.org)

## MAUNDY THURSDAY

by KEVIN DEYOUNG

Like millions of Christians around the world, we will have a Maundy Thursday service tonight. If you've never heard the term, it's not Monday-Thursday (which always confused me as a kid), but Maundy Thursday, as in Mandatum Thursday. Mandatum is the Latin word for "command" or "mandate", and the day is called Maundy Thursday because on the night before his death Jesus gave his disciples a new command. "A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another" (John 13:34).

At first it seems strange that Christ would call this a new command. After all, the Old Testament instructed God's people to love their neighbors and Christ himself summarized the law as love for God and love for others. So what's new about love? What makes the command new is that because of Jesus' passion there is a new standard, a new exemplar of love.

There was never any love like the dying love of Jesus. It is tender and sweet (13:33). It serves (13:2-17). It loves even unto death (13:1). Jesus had nothing to gain from us by loving us. There was nothing in us to draw us to him. But he loved us still, while we were yet sinners. At the Last Supper, in the garden, at his betrayal, facing the Jewish leaders, before Pontius Pilate, being scourged, carrying his cross, being nailed to the wood, breathing his dying breath, forsaken by God—he loved us.

To the end.

To death.

Love shone best and brightest at Calvary.

*Christ was all anguish that I might be all joy, cast off that I might be brought in, trodden down as an enemy that I might be welcomed as a friend, surrendered to hell's worst that I might attain heaven's best, stripped that I might be clothed, wounded that I might be healed, athirst that I might drink, tormented that I might be comforted, made a shame that I might inherit glory, entered darkness that I might have eternal life. My Saviour wept that all tears might be wiped from my eyes, groaned that I might have endless song, endured all pain that I might have unfading health, bore a thorned crown that I might have a glory-diadem, bowed his head that I might uplift mine, experienced reproach that I might receive welcome, closed his eyes in death that I might gaze on unclouded brightness, expired that I might for ever live. (The Valley of Vision, "Love Lustres at Calvary")*

<https://www.thegospelcoalition.org/blogs/kevin-deyoung/maundy-thursday-2>



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*Maundy Thursday  
April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2026*



# EVENING WORSHIP

## MAUNDY THURSDAY

April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2026

7:00 p.m.

Rev. Jeremy Johnson, *preaching*  
Rev. Dr. John Currie, *assisting*

PRELUDE Dr. Ryan Kelly, *organ*

WELCOME Rev. Dr. John Currie, *senior pastor*

CHORAL INTROIT Chancel Choir

*This is My Commandment*

This is my commandment, that ye love together as I have loved you.

CALL TO WORSHIP\* Psalm 34:8

INVOCATION\*

HYMN N<sup>o</sup> 660\* O God beyond All Praising

SCRIPTURE READING Rev. Dr. John Currie, *senior pastor*

Now the Feast of Unleavened Bread drew near, which is called the Passover. And the chief priests and the scribes were seeking how to put him to death, for they feared the people. Then Satan entered into Judas called Iscariot, who was of the number of the twelve. He went away and conferred with the chief priests and officers how he might betray him to them. And they were glad, and agreed to give him money. So he consented and sought an opportunity to betray him to them in the absence of a crowd. 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 for us, that we may eat it." They said to him, "Where will you have us prepare it?" He said to them, "Behold, when you have entered the city, a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. Follow him into the house that he enters and tell the master of the house, 'The Teacher says to you, Where is the guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?' And he will show you a large upper room furnished; prepare it there." And they went and found it just as he had told them, and they prepared the Passover. — *Luke 22:1-13*

HYMN N<sup>o</sup> 378\* Here, O My Lord  
*stanzas 1-3*

\* Please stand.

SCRIPTURE READING Rev. Dr. John Currie, *senior pastor*

And when the hour came, he reclined at table, and the apostles with him. And he said to them, "I have earnestly 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." And he took a cup, and when he had given 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." And he took 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 likewise the cup after they had eaten, saying, "This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood. But behold, the hand of him who betrays me is with me on the table. For the Son of Man goes as it has been determined, but woe to that man by whom he is betrayed!" And they began to question one another, which of them it could be who was going to do this.

— *Luke 22:14-23*

SERMON Rev. Jeremy Johnson, *executive pastor*

*A Table in the Shadow of the Cross*

Luke 22:1-23, pg. 881

RESPONSIVE SCRIPTURE READING\* Psalm 118

**Leader:** Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever! Let Israel say, "His steadfast love endures forever." Let the house of Aaron say, "His steadfast love endures forever." Let those who fear the LORD say, "His steadfast love endures forever." (vv. 1-4)

**Congregation:** Out of my distress I called on the LORD; the LORD answered me and set me free. The LORD is on my side; I will not fear. What can man do to me? The LORD is on my side as my helper; I shall look in triumph on those who hate me. (5-7)

**Leader:** It is better to take refuge in the LORD than to trust in man. It is better to take refuge in the LORD than to trust in princes. All nations surrounded me; in the name of the LORD I cut them off! They surrounded me, surrounded me on every side; in the name of the LORD I cut them off! They surrounded me like bees; they went out like a fire among thorns; in the name of the LORD I cut them off! I was pushed hard, so that I was falling, but the LORD helped me. (8-13)

**Congregation:** The LORD is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation. Glad songs of salvation are in the tents of the righteous: "The right hand of the LORD does valiantly, the right hand of the LORD exalts, the right hand of the LORD does valiantly!" I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the LORD. (14-17)

**Leader:** The LORD has disciplined me severely, but he has not given me over to death. Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD. This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it. I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation. (18-21)

**All:** The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes. This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. Save us, we pray, O LORD! O LORD, we pray, give us success! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD! We bless you from the house of the LORD. The LORD is God, and he has made his light to shine upon us. Bind the festal sacrifice with cords, up to the horns of the altar! You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God; I will extol you. Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever! (22-29)

CONFESSION OF SIN

CHORAL ANTHEM

Chancel Choir

*Peace I Leave with You*

Felix Mendelssohn, arr. Hopson

Peace I leave with you. My peace I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled; do not let it be afraid. Receive my peace. Amen. — *John 14:27*

COMMUNION

CORPORATE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Almighty God, we thank you that in your great love you have fed us with the spiritual food and drink of the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ, and have given us a foretaste of your heavenly banquet. Grant that this sacrament may be to us a comfort in affliction, and a pledge of our inheritance in that kingdom where there is no death, neither sorrow nor crying, but the fullness of joy with all your saints; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

HYMN N<sup>o</sup> 188\* Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting

BENEDICTION\*

POSTLUDE Dr. Ryan Kelly, *organ*



Join us for our Good Friday Service at 12:00 p.m.

Antonio Ayala Preaching

*You Will Be with Me*

*Luke 23:39-43*