

# *The Chapel in the Pines*

**March 28, 2024**

*Living in the Light of the Resurrection*

## **Maundy Thursday**



### **The Prelude**

Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross

### **A Reading from the Gospel of Mark**

Mark 10:32-34

*Jesus once more began describing all that was going to happen to him when they arrived at Jerusalem.*

### **The Gathering Prayer**

**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 trespasses  
as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever...Amen.**

## The Call to Worship

**\*Hymn** #284 They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,  
We are one in the Spirit, we are on in the Lord,  
And we pray that all unity may one day be restored:

### **Refrain**

And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,  
Yes, they'll know we are Christians, by our love.

We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand,  
We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand,  
And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land: **[Refrain]**

We will work with each other, we will work side by side,  
We will work with each other, we will work side by side,  
And we'll guard each one's dignity and save each one's pride: **[Refrain]**

All praise to the Father, from whom all things come,  
And all praise to Christ Jesus, His only Son,  
And all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one: **[Refrain]**

**\*The Psalm of Thanksgiving and Praise** Adapted from Psalm 116

I love the Lord,  
because God has heard my voice and my supplications.  
Because God inclined his ear to me,  
therefore I will call on the Lord as long as I live.

**What shall I return to the Lord for all God's bounty to me?**

I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord,  
I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all God's people.

**O Lord, I am your servant;  
I am your servant, the child of your serving girl.  
You have loosed my bonds.**

I will offer to you a thanksgiving sacrifice and call on the name of the Lord.  
**I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people,  
in the courts of the house of the Lord, in your midst, O Jerusalem.  
Praise the Lord!**

**Living in the Light of the Resurrection** - Jesus

### **The Call to Confession**

#### **The Prayer of Confession**

**Loving Christ,  
on that night long ago, you knew that your hour had come.  
You knew full well what lay ahead of you.  
Your disciples loved you and followed you,  
but they had also failed you.  
They would fail you yet again that night,  
and one would betray you.**

**We have also loved you and followed you.  
We have also failed you,  
and we cannot comprehend the forgiveness that you show us,  
the love that is our example,  
the mercy that tells us to do as you have done for us.**

**May we be like you, Master, servants of all.  
 May all see how we long to be your faithful disciples.  
 May all see how we love each other, just as you have loved us.  
 In your holy name we pray.**

**The Declaration of Forgiveness**

**The Invitation to the Offering**

**The Offertory**                          Beneath the Cross

**\*The Doxology**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.  
 Praise God all creatures here below.  
 Praise God above ye heavenly host.  
 Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

**\*The Prayer of Dedication**

**The Prayer of Illumination**

**A Reading from the Epistles**                          1 Corinthians 11:20-29, 33-34  
*For those who eat and drink without discerning the body of Christ  
 eat and drink judgment on themselves.*

**The Choir's Anthem**                          His Hands

**A Reading from the Gospels**                          John 13:31-35  
*"I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you  
 also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you  
 have love for one another."*

**Homily**                          Discerning the Body

**\*Hymn**                          #322 In Remembrance

In remembrance of Me, eat this bread;  
 In remembrance of Me, drink this wine.  
 In remembrance of Me, pray for the time  
 When God's own will is done.

In remembrance of Me, heal the sick;  
 In remembrance of Me, feed the poor.  
 In remembrance of Me, open the door  
 And let your brother in, Let him in.

Take eat and be comforted;  
 Drink and remember too,  
 That this is My body and precious blood  
 shed for you, shed for you.

In remembrance of Me, search for truth.  
 In remembrance of Me, always love.  
 In remembrance of Me, don't look above,  
 But in your heart look for God.  
 Do this in remembrance of Me.

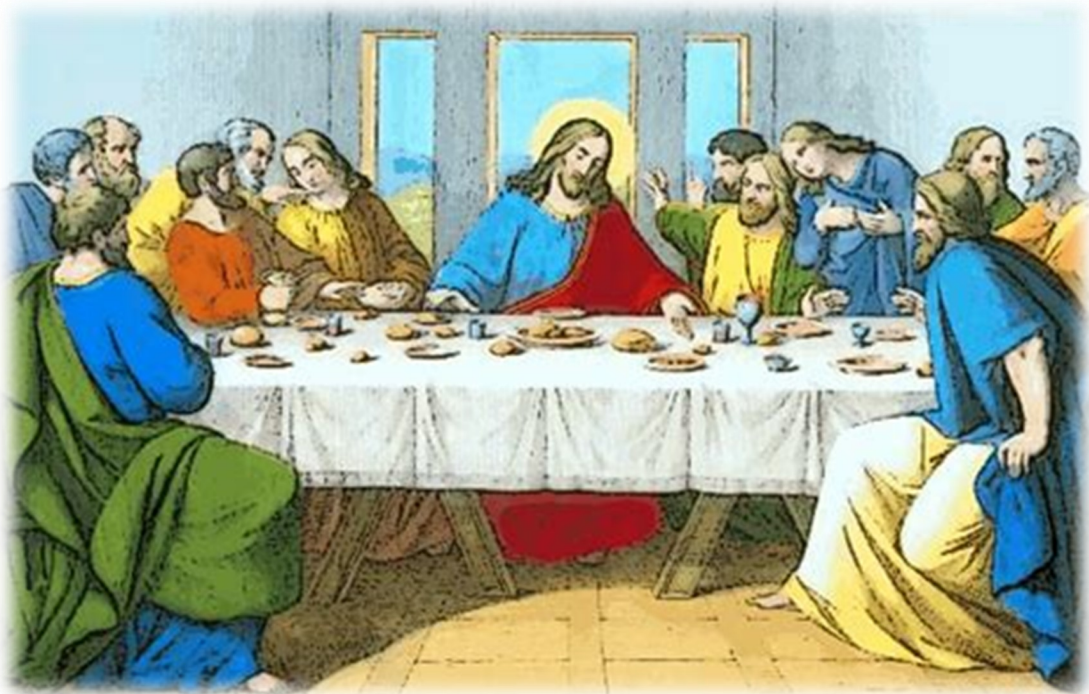


## The Eucharist

### \*The Prayer After Communion

\*Hymn #177 What Wondrous Love Is This

- 1 What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!  
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!  
What wondrous love is this  
That caused the Lord of bliss  
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,  
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul.
- 2 When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down,  
When I was sinking down, sinking down,  
When I was sinking down  
Beneath God's righteous frown,  
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul, for my soul,  
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul.
- 3 To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing,  
To God and to the Lamb I will sing.  
To God and to the Lamb  
Who is the great "I Am,"  
While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,  
While millions join the theme, I will sing.
- 4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on,  
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on,  
And when from death I'm free,  
I'll sing and joyful be,  
And thro' eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on,  
And thro' eternity I'll sing on.



## Special Offering



erwise would not have a bed in which to sleep. Their motto is "No Kid Sleeps On The Floor In Our Town."

A special offering for "Sleep in Heavenly Peace" will be collected during the Good Friday service on March 29, 2024. This offering will go specifically to the local chapter of "Sleep in Heavenly Peace" (SHP), a non-profit ministry dedicated to providing beds for children in and around the Moore County area who otherwise would not have a bed in which to sleep. Their motto is



During the month of February our Mission Team collected twin-size linens for SHP and our Men's Fellowship is volunteering in building bunk beds for SHP.



### How Sleep Can Affect Children

Many studies have been conducted on the effects that lack of sleep can have on children. The following facts were taken from studies done at Harvard University, the National Science Foundation, Auburn University, and The Better Sleep Council:

- Poor sleep can lead to hyperactivity issues as early as age five
- In teenagers, anxiety and depression are linked to poor sleeping habits 27% and 69% of the time
- Kids who don't sleep well don't grow as well as their peers
- Kids who get good sleep tend to get sick less frequently
- Plenty of sleep usually translates to better grades, improved emotional health, and a healthier home life
- Sleep is a sort of "recharge" time for body and mind, and if it's not adequate there are negative physical and mental effects
- During sleep, cells can repair themselves, leading to better physical health
- The brain and body release important hormones during a good night's sleep, leading to better physical and emotional health
- Kids who don't get enough sleep tend to struggle with irritability, forgetfulness and emotional regulation
- Kids who are sleep deprived tend to struggle with being overweight or obese



Source: <https://shpbeds.org/blog/national-bed-crisis/>

Please consider donating today to support SHP and their efforts to make sure that "No Kid Sleeps On The Floor" in Moore County. Make checks payable to Seven Lakes Chapel in the Pines and note that the donation is for "Good Friday Special Offering". **Donations may be made prior to Good Friday.**

## *Usher/Greeters*



Our thanks to Kathy Reszka for her years of service to God by coordinating and training a most important group of volunteers...the Usher/Greeters. As Kathy retires from this position and our Board seeks new leadership, it creates an opportunity for more of us to consider becoming a part of this essential ministry.

Our Usher/Greeters create the first welcoming impression of our Chapel to the many visitors who walk through our doors, they offer hugs and handshakes to all our regular returning members, and they are essential to the smooth running of our worship services. From guiding folks with young children to the nursery, to offering bulletins, to the passing of the Welcome Pads and the collection of all our tithes and offerings. Worship would simply not be the same without them.

**Won't you volunteer to serve as an Usher/Greeter?**

## *Nursery Volunteers*

A vital ministry in any church is the Nursery, allowing parents of young children and of visiting families the opportunity to worship with us on Sunday mornings. Please consider volunteering in the Nursery on Sunday mornings or for special services.



**Won't you volunteer to serve in our Nursery?**



## *Church Library*

Volunteers are also needed to help organize our Church Library located downstairs. Please consider volunteering to help organize our Church Library.

**Won't you volunteer in our Church Library?**

*Should any of these opportunities sound of interest, please drop a note in our collection plat or give Susan a call in the Chapel office this week. (910) 400-5188.*

