**HELDERBERG REFORMED CHURCH**

**March 28, 2024**

**7:00 P.M.**

**Maundy Thursday**

**Rev. Matthew van Maastricht**

**Rae Jean Teeter – Director of Music**

**THE STORY OF TONIGHT:**

**MAUNDY THURSDAY IN TWO MOVEMENTS**

**JESUS: THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD**- John 1:1-5

**EXPOSITION OF THE DAY**

**\*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 one in the Lord,

And we pray that our unity will 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**

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**

**PRAYER**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Eternal God, whose covenant with us is never broken,
We confess that we fail to fulfill your will.**

**Though you have bound yourself to us,**

**We will not bind ourselves to you.**

**In Jesus Christ you serve us freely,**

**But we refuse your love**

**And withhold ourselves from others.**

**We do not love you fully**

**Or love one another as you command.**

**In your mercy, forgive and cleanse us.
Lead us once again to your table**

**And unite us to Christ, who is the bread of life**

**And the vine from which we grow in grace.**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON:** 1 John 4:14-16

**CHOIR ANTHEM** “Alone He Prayed”

Altamont and Helderberg Choirs

**THE STORY OF THE LORD’S SUPPER**

**MEDITATION**

**THE SHARING OF THE MEAL**

 The Lord be with you.

 **And also with you**

 Lift up your hearts
 **We lift them up to the Lord.**

 Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

 **It is right to give our thanks and praise** …

…Therefore we praise you,

joining our voices with the celestial choirs

And with all the faithful of every time and place,

Who forever sing the glory of your name:



…Accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving

as a living and holy offering of ourselves,

that our lives may proclaim the One crucified and risen.



As our Savior Christ has taught us,

we are bold to pray:

**THE LORD’S 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.**

**\* HYMN #180** “Worthy is the Lamb”

Worthy is the Lamb, that was slain; Worthy is the Lamb that was slain,

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain, to receive:

Power and riches and wisdom and strength, Honor and glory and blessing!

Worthy is the Lamb, Worthy is the Lamb

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain, Worthy is the Lamb!

**THE STORY OF THE WASHING AND THE**

**NEW COMMANDMENT**

**\*HYMN # 177** “What Wondrous Love is This?”

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.

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.

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.

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.

Candles Extinguished

Depart in Silence