



first
presbyterian
CHURCH OF NASHVILLE

APRIL 2, 2015
MAUNDY THURSDAY
COMMUNION SERVICE
6:30 P.M.

GATHERING

OPENING SENTENCES

Sandra Randleman

†VOLUNTARY

Ubi caritas et amor
(Where Charity and Love Abide)

Gerald Near

CALL TO WORSHIP

Stuart Gordon

Leader: On this day Christ, the Lamb of God,

**People: gave Himself into the hands
of those who would slay Him.**

Leader: On this day Christ took a towel
and washed the disciples' feet,

**People: giving us an example that we should
do to others as He has done to us.**

Leader: On this day Christ, our God,

**People: gave us this holy feast,
that we who eat this bread and drink this cup
may here proclaim His holy sacrifice.**

*HYMN 202

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An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare

CALL TO CONFESSION

Stuart Gordon

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, blot out our transgressions and cleanse us.

**Lead us once again to Your table,
and unite us with Christ,**

**Who is the bread of life and the vine
from which we grow in grace.**

SILENT CONFESSION

LORD, HAVE MERCY *Kyrie Eleison*



Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have - mer - cy; Lord, - have - mer - cy.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

THE WORD AND SACRAMENT

HYMN 525

LET US BREAK BREAD

Let Us Break Bread Together

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Sandra Randleman

**Gracious God, we do not live by bread alone,
but by every word that comes from Your mouth.
Make us hungry for this heavenly food,
that it may nourish us today
in the ways of eternal life;
through Jesus Christ, the bread of heaven. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Old Testament: Psalm 121 (Read responsively)

Pastor: I lift up my eyes to the hills—
from where will my help come?

**People: My help comes from the Lord,
Who made heaven and earth.**

Pastor: He will not let your foot be moved;
He who keep you will not slumber.

**People: He who keeps Israel
will neither slumber nor sleep.**

Pastor: The Lord is your keeper;
the Lord is your shade at your right hand.

**People: The sun shall not strike you by day,
nor the moon by night.**

Pastor: The Lord will keep you from all evil;
He will keep your life.

**People: The Lord will keep your going out
and your coming in
from this time on and forevermore.**

New Testament: John 13:1-17, 31b-35, *page 107*

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

MEDITATION

Sandra Randleman

Just Part of the Story

ANTHEM

Buryl Red

In Remembrance

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Todd Jones

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SURSUM CORDA (*Lift Up Your Hearts*)

The musical score is written on three staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: "The Lord be with you. And al - so with you. Lift up, lift up your - hearts. We lift them up to the Lord. Let us all give thanks to the Lord our - God. It is right to give God thanks and - praise." The vocal parts are: Leader (measures 1-6), People (measures 7-10), Leader (measures 11-14), and People (measures 15-18).

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

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, forever. Amen.**

SERVING OF THE ELEMENTS

Communion will be served by intinction. Please come down the center aisle, receive a section of bread, and dip it into the communion cup. Return to your seat by the side aisle.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Sandra Randleman

*HYMN 216

Beneath the Cross of Jesus

ST. CHRISTOPHER

*STRIPPING OF THE SANCTUARY

Psalms 22

Todd Jones

At this time the sanctuary will be stripped of its liturgical elements to symbolize the darkness, betrayal, and loneliness that our Savior experienced on Maundy Thursday. May the power of this symbolic act help prepare our hearts for the passion of Good Friday.

Please depart in silence.

PARTICIPATING IN THE SERVICE

Todd Jones, Pastor

Stuart Gordon, Associate Pastor for Discipleship

Sandra Randleman,

Associate Pastor for Congregational Care and Mission

John Pell, Guitar; Laura Boucher, Oboe

Rhonda Swanson, Assistant Organist

Keith Moore, Sanctuary Chorale Conductor

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH extends a warm welcome in the name of Christ to all who worship with us today. If you are interested in joining First Presbyterian Church, please speak to the pastor or elder standing at the left of the pulpit, or you may call the church office during the week.

HOLY WEEK CONTINUES AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Good Friday Noon Service

Friday, April 3, Noon

Stanford Chapel
“Crowned with Thorns”
by the Rev. Dr. Todd Jones

Good Friday Tenebrae Service

Friday, April 3, 7:00 P.M.

The Sanctuary Choir presents this moving Good Friday service.
In this unique presentation, the choir will interpret the Passion story.
The text, read by Bob Loflin, is taken from the Gospel of John.
The Sanctuary Choir and congregation will respond and reflect
on the unfolding Passion with hymns and anthems. You are invited to
enter the world of Christ’s Passion through Word and music.

Easter Sunrise Service

Sunday, April 5, 6:30 A.M.

Sullivan Gardens
Meditation by the Rev. Dr. Stuart Gordon

Easter Breakfast

7:00 A.M. in Courtenay Hall

Sanctuary Worship Services

8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 A.M.

“Forever is a Long, Long Time”
by the Rev. Dr. Todd Jones
(No Sunday School)

The Five Thirty

The Gathering Place

Sermon by Adam DeVries

Overflow for these Easter services will be located in Courtenay Hall.
Nursery is available for children ages three and younger for all services
except the Easter Sunrise service and The Five Thirty service.



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