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CLOSING HYMN: "Abide with Me" # 878 (vs. 1 & 6)

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Please join us for:

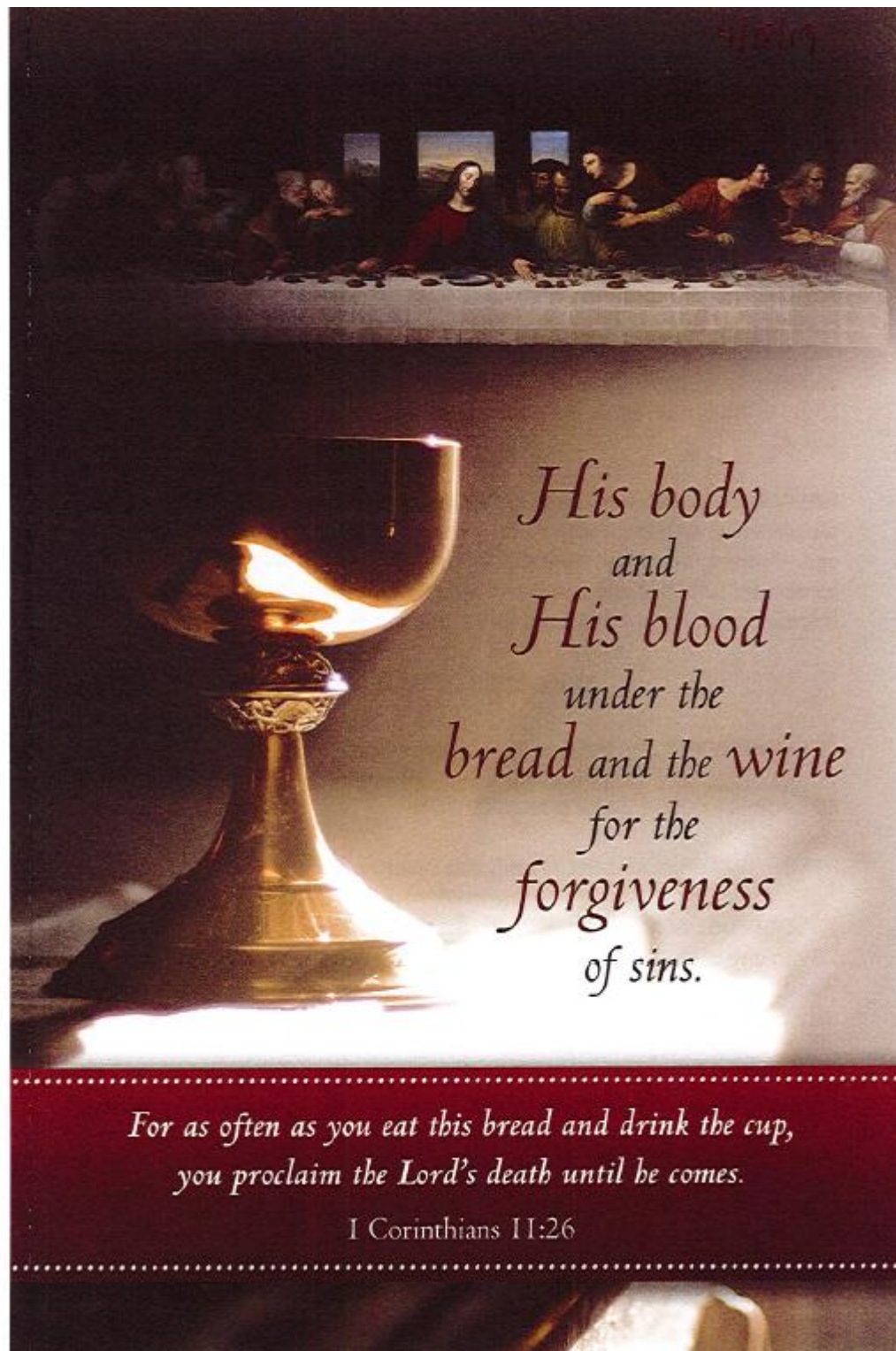
Good Friday worship service at 5:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday Breakfast from 7:00 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.

Easter Sunday worship service at 9:00 a.m.



Holy Week



*For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup,
you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.*

1 Corinthians 11:26

MAUNDY THURSDAY

April 18, 2019

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PRAYER UPON ENTERING:

Dear Lord Jesus, please grace this gathering, and this meal, with Your presence even as You were with Your disciples, in that upper room, so many years ago. We repent of our many sins, some of which we know, and many of which we are not even aware. Send Thy Spirit upon us, as Thy Word is preached and proclaimed, to convict us of our own sins, and to strengthen our faith in You and You alone. Prepare our hearts and minds, our bodies and souls to receive You worthily as You come to us with Your true Body and Blood tonight, for the forgiveness of sins, and the strengthening of our faith. In Thy name, Jesus the Christ, our true Savior and Redeemer, we pray. Amen.

WELCOME: As we listen unto God’s word, we hear how Judas approached his gathering with Jesus with sinful self-interests in mind, so many years ago. Tonight, we gather, asking God to prepare us (through Jesus’ completed suffering and death on account of our sins), for this special intimate meal, He has prepared for us, and our benefit.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

OPENING HYMN: *“The God of Abraham Praise”* # 798 (vs. 1-7)

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HYMN: *“O Gracious Lord, I Firmly Am Believing”* # 635 (vs. 1-3)

1ST SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 26:14-16

¹⁴Then one of the twelve, called Judas Iscariot, went to the chief priests ¹⁵and said, “What are you willing to give me if I deliver Him to you?” And they counted out to him thirty pieces of silver. ¹⁶So from that time he sought opportunity to betray Him.

HYMN: *“Jesus, I Will Ponder Now”* # 440

2ND SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 26:17-19

¹⁷Now on the first *day of the Feast* of Unleavened Bread the disciples came to Jesus, saying to Him, “Where do You want us to prepare for You to eat the Passover?” ¹⁸And He said, “Go into the city to a certain man, and say to him, ‘The Teacher says, “My time is at hand; I will keep the Passover at your

house with My disciples.”” ¹⁹So the disciples did as Jesus had directed them; and they prepared the Passover.

SENIOR CHOIR: *“In Remembrance”* w/flutist, Hannah LaCroix

3RD SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 26:36-50

³⁶Then Jesus came with them to a place called Gethsemane, and said to the disciples, “Sit here while I go and pray over there.” ³⁷And He took with Him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and He began to be sorrowful and deeply distressed. ³⁸Then He said to them, “My soul is exceedingly sorrowful, even to death. Stay here and watch with Me.” ³⁹He went a little farther and fell on His face, and prayed, saying, “O My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from Me; nevertheless, not as I will, but as You will.” ⁴⁰Then He came to the disciples and found them sleeping, and said to Peter, “What! Could you not watch with Me one hour? ⁴¹Watch and pray, lest you enter into temptation. The spirit indeed *is* willing, but the flesh *is* weak.” ⁴²Again, a second time, He went away and prayed, saying, “O My Father, if this cup cannot pass away from Me unless I drink it, Your will be done.” ⁴³And He came and found them asleep again, for their eyes were heavy. ⁴⁴So He left them, went away again, and prayed the third time, saying the same words. ⁴⁵Then He came to His disciples and said to them, “Are *you* still sleeping and resting? Behold, the hour is at hand, and the Son of Man is being betrayed into the hands of sinners. ⁴⁶Rise, let us be going. See, My betrayer is at hand.” ⁴⁷And while He was still speaking, behold, Judas, one of the twelve, with a great multitude with swords and clubs, came from the chief priests and elders of the people. ⁴⁸Now His betrayer had given them a sign, saying, “Whomever I kiss, He is the One; seize Him.” ⁴⁹Immediately he went up to Jesus and said, “Greetings, Rabbi!” and kissed Him. ⁵⁰But Jesus said to him, “Friend, why have you come?” Then they came and laid hands on Jesus and took Him.

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OFFERING

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:

- “Chief of Sinners Though I Be”* # 611
- “Just as I Am, without One Plea”* # 570
- “The Lamb”* # 547 (vs. 1-4)