STRIPPING OF THE CHURCH The candles are extinguished, and linens, paraments, and banners are removed from the worship space. During their removal, the congregation will sing the final hymn, "Were You There."

*HYMN 228 (Verses 1-5) "Were You There"

WERE YOU THERE

Following the hymn, all depart in silence. There is no benediction. The service continues on Good Friday at 7:00 p.m. at Friendship Presbyterian for all area PC(USA) churches.

PIANIST: Aaron Carter-Enyi ADULT CHOIR

READERS: Jim Newland, Sandy Whitney Winnie Mburu, flute

Tonight's meditation is adapted from the Iona Community publication Present on Earth.



March 28, 2024

COVENANT at WORSHIP

March 28, 2024 Maundy Thursday 7:00pm

PRELUDE

*WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

This is a day of remembrance for us.

We lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord.

Throughout the generations,

we have received and handed on to others

what the Lord has given to us:

the bread of his body; the cup of the new covenant;

proclaiming the Lord's death until he comes again.

*HYMN 215 "What Wondrous Love Is This" WONDROUS LOVE

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, you have called us to serve others as Christ has served us.

We confess that we have not followed Christ's example

as fully or as often as we should. We turn away from people in need.

True humility eludes us, and we hide our own vulnerability before others.

Gathered on this Holy Thursday, we confess we are capable of denying

and betraying you and one another, no less than the first disciples.

Forgive us, merciful God, and cleanse us of all our sin;

then guide our feet to walk with you always. In Christ's name. Amen.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

*RESPONSE HYMN 434

"Restore In Us, O God"

BAYLOR

Restore in us, O God the splendor of your love; renew your image in our hearts, and all our sins remove.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL READING

John 13: 1-17, 31b-35

MEDITATION

Behold, the Lamb of God

IONA COMMUNITY

KYRIE REFRAIN

DURING MEDITATION 227 "Jesus, Remember Me"

TIAZE COMMUNITY

Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION

ANTHEM

Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley

TRADITIONAL arr., Carter-Enyi

INVITATION to the LORD'S TABLE

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

COMMUNION MUSIC

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION