

**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. Amen.**

Breaking the Bread  
Distribution of the Elements  
Prayer after Communion

### Sending Forth

⊕ Hymn #288.....“Were You There”

*During the singing of the last hymn, the altar is stripped.  
The congregation is asked to depart in silence.*

⊕ Stripping of the Altar  
⊕ Benediction

⊕ *The congregation standing, if able.*

### Holy Week Events

\*Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>

7:00 pm Good Friday Service [Sanctuary]

\*Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup>

7:00 am Easter Sunrise Service [Church Grounds]

Covered Dish Breakfast immediately following  
[Fellowship Hall]

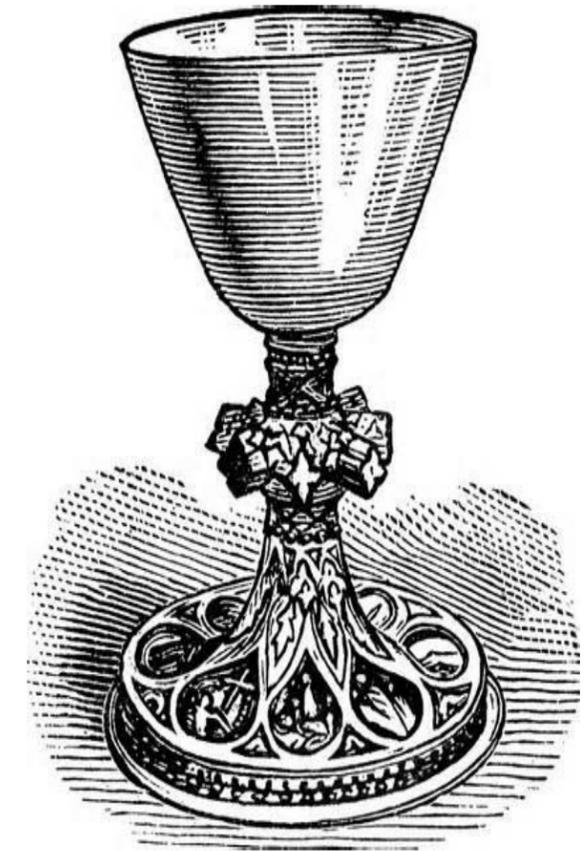
9:45 am Easter Egg Hunt [Church Grounds]

9:45 am Sunday School [Classrooms]

11:00 am Easter Worship Service [Sanctuary]

11:00 am Holy Communion [Sanctuary]

## A Service of Worship Maundy Thursday



Asbury Memorial United Methodist Church  
Thursday, April 2, 2015  
7:00 pm  
The Rev. J. Curtis Goforth, Pastor

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# A Service of Worship

Maundy Thursday  
April 2, 2015 (7:00 pm)  
Asbury Memorial United Methodist Church  
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*Welcome to Asbury Memorial UMC!*

*Maundy Thursday marks the beginning of the great Easter celebration. The word “maundy” is derived from the Latin word “mandatum,” the word for “commandment.” Jesus uses this statement in John’s gospel to explain the significance of washing the disciples’ feet (“A new commandment I give you...”). Maundy Thursday is also the night that Jesus instituted the sacrament of Holy Communion with the words, “Do this in remembrance of me.”*

*The congregation reads the words in **bold** type.*

## Entrance

Prelude  
The Light of Christ Enters Our Gathering  
Welcome and Announcements  
✠ Opening Words

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt,  
This shall be a day of remembrance for you.  
**We will celebrate it as a festival to the Lord  
throughout all generations.**

For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you.  
**As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup,  
we proclaim the Lord’s death, until he comes.**

✠ Hymn #641.....“Fill My Cup, Lord”  
✠ Responsive Reading #838.....Psalm 116:12-19  
Call to Confession

Jesus said, One who has bathed does not need to wash.  
In our baptism, we have been bathed by the grace of God.  
Trusting in the steadfast love of Jesus Christ,  
who has delivered us from sin and death,  
let us confess our sin.

## Prayer of Confession

Lord Jesus Christ, how well you know our hearts,  
**and still you love us--  
you have loved us to the end.**

We have denied you,  
**and we have denied our calling  
to serve one another.**

✠ *The congregation standing, if able.*

We have betrayed you,  
**and we have betrayed your commandment  
to love one another.**

Pour out your Spirit of grace upon us.  
**Teach us to love and serve you faithfully  
and to love and serve one another  
by the example you have set for us;  
in your holy name we pray. Amen.**

## Proclamation and Response

Anthem.....“All Glory to the Dying Lamb”  
*[words by J. Paul Williams; music by Lloyd Larson; Harold Flammer Music, 1997]*  
Prayer for Illumination

**Gracious God, feed us with your holy Word  
and fill us with your Holy Spirit,  
so that your lives may proclaim the mystery of faith  
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Gospel Lesson.....John 13:1-17, 31b-35 (*NT page 101*)

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to St. John,  
**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

<sup>1</sup>Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. <sup>2</sup>The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper <sup>3</sup>Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, <sup>4</sup>got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. <sup>5</sup>Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples’ feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. <sup>6</sup>He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, “Lord, are you going to wash my feet?” <sup>7</sup>Jesus answered, “You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand.” <sup>8</sup>Peter said to him, “You will never wash my feet.” Jesus answered, “Unless I wash you, you have no share with me.” <sup>9</sup>Simon Peter said to him, “Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!” <sup>10</sup>Jesus said to him, “One who has bathed does not need to wash, except for the feet, but is entirely clean. And you are clean, though not all of you.” <sup>11</sup>For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, “Not all of you are clean.”

<sup>12</sup>After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table, he said to them, “Do you know what I have done to you? <sup>13</sup>You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. <sup>14</sup>So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another’s feet. <sup>15</sup>For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. <sup>16</sup>Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. <sup>17</sup>If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them...”

<sup>31b</sup>“Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. <sup>32</sup>If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. <sup>33</sup>Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so

now I say to you, ‘Where I am going, you cannot come.’ <sup>34</sup>I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. <sup>35</sup>By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

The Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

Epistle Lesson.....I Corinthians 11:23-36 (*NT page 163*)

<sup>23</sup> For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, <sup>24</sup> and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, “This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.” <sup>25</sup> In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.” <sup>26</sup> For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.

Homily  
Prayers of Intercession

O Lord, we love you, for you have heard our cries.  
**Therefore we will call on you as long as we live.**

As you delivered our ancestors from slavery  
and led them to a land of promise and plenty,  
**liberate all who are captive or oppressed  
and bring them to a place of abundant life.**

As you saved your people from death  
by the blood of the Passover lamb,  
**redeem us from sin and death  
through Jesus Christ, our Passover.**

As Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord  
stooped down to wash his disciples’ feet,  
**teach us to love and serve one another  
with Christ-like compassion and humility.**

As Christ the Lord has handed on to us  
this feast of grace, his body and blood,  
**help us to share with all who hunger  
the gifts we have received from you.**

O Lord, we love you, for you have heard our cries.  
**Therefore we will call on you as long as we live;  
through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

## Holy Communion

*The congregation is asked to turn to page 15 in the UMH.  
We will be celebrating communion this evening by the method of intinction. You will be given a piece of bread that you will dip into the chalice. Please do not eat the bread until you have had a chance to dip it into the chalice.*