

ORDER OF WORSHIP

MARCH 28, 2024

Maundy Thursday

*You are invited to stand in body or spirit, as you are able.

Pre-Service Music

Greeting: Leader: The Lord be with you!
People: And also with you!

***Call to Worship** (screen) Jeff Pearson, Liturgist
Leader: A table is set before us. A feast is prepared for us.
People: A meal of bread and wine, of meat and bitter herbs.
Leader: The Lord calls us to this supper of remembrance.
People: The Lord calls us to serve and to be served.
Leader: As we break the bread and share the cup,
People: our understanding may fail us.
Leader: But we will never forget Christ's example.
People: We will never forget the full extent of his love.

***Opening Hymn** Come, Sinners, to the Gospel Feast #616

***Opening Prayer** (screen) Liturgist
Holy God,
remind us on this special day
of the many ways we know you:
as strong deliverer,
as humble servant,
as the One who bids us love one another,
that the world might know you.
Lead us not only to the beauty of solitary reflection
but also to community, as we remember together
your words and your example.
In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.

Hymn Ah, Holy Jesus #289

Gospel Lesson John 13:1-17, NRSV Liturgist

Special Music Behold the Lamb Ryan Fleming

Sermon Selfless in Service Pastor Lori

Confession and Pardon

Pastor: My sisters and brothers, Christ shows us his love by becoming a humble servant. *Let us draw near to God and confess our sin in the truth of God's Spirit.*
(A brief silence for individual confession.)

People: Most merciful God, we your Church confess that often our spirit has not been that of Christ. Where we have failed to love one another as he loves us, where we have pledged loyalty to him with our lips and then betrayed, deserted, or denied him, forgive us, we pray; and by your Spirit make us faithful in every time of trial; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Pastor: Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ. But Christ suffered and died for us, was raised from the dead and ascended on high for us, and continues to intercede for us. Believe the good news: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

**People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
Glory to God. Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving Screen
Communion Song, Ryan Fleming

Closing Prayer (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 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 and ever. Amen.

Closing Hymn Beneath the Cross of Jesus #297

***Mission Statement** (screen)
Leader: We are a community called to worship and glorify God by

**People: Bringing People to Christ,
Growing People in Christ,
And Serving People for Christ.**

Leader: This is our mission.

All: Thanks be to God!

***Benediction/Postlude**

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The pastor-on-call is available outside of regular office hours for those experiencing true emergencies, such as a critical hospitalization or urgent physical, emotional or spiritual need.

To inquire about services that the church offers, such as joining the church, transferring membership, confirmation, baptism or any other questions or information, please call the church office during business hours.

Church Office Hours

Mon & Fri: 9am-noon

Tue, Wed, Thu: noon-3pm

Easter at Emilie



Easter Sunday - March 31st

All are invited to join us as we celebrate the good news that in Christ's death and resurrection we, and all creation, are continually being made new by God's love and saving grace.

6:00AM—SUNRISE SERVICE
Held at the Cemetery

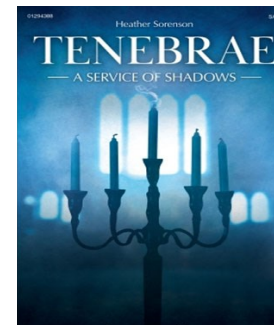
10:00AM—WORSHIP IN SANCTUARY



TENEBRAE

GOOD FRIDAY, MARCH 29TH, 2024, 7:30PM

Tenebrae is a deeply symbolic service of shadows, depicting the final hours of Christ's life on earth. Based on the ancient tradition of Tenebrae, the gradual extinguishing of candles produces increased shadows and ultimately darkness by the end of the service, symbolizing Christ's death. Accompanied by piano and cello, join Emilie's Sanctuary Choir and friends as we take these last poignant steps to the foot of the cross.

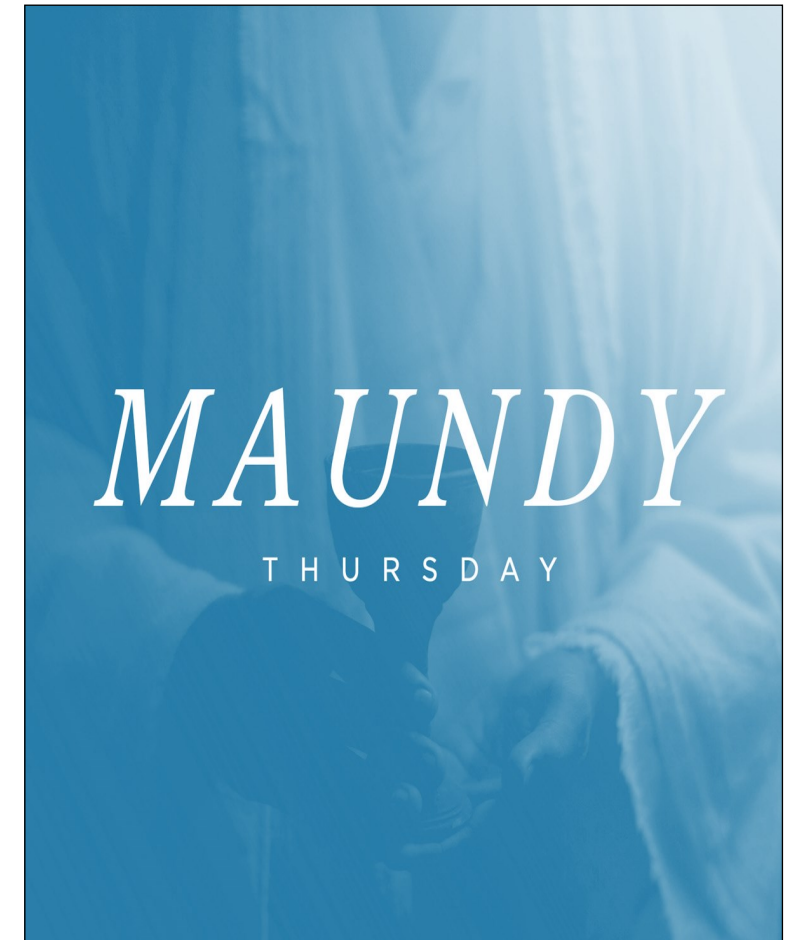


Church Office News

The church office closed Friday, March 29th & Monday, April 1, 2024 in observance of Easter.
The office will return to normal hours on Tuesday, April 2nd.

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