

MUSIC NOTES

- ♪ "Le Chemin de la Croix (The Stations of the Cross)," a renowned programmatic work for organ, originated from Marcel Dupré's 1930 concerts at the Brussels Conservatory, where friends approached him to improvise alongside the recitation of Paul Claudel's fourteen poems depicting the Stations of the Cross; on February 13, 1931, Dupré returned to Brussels to perform this transformative concert, improvising musical commentary between each of Claudel's recited poems.
- ♪ Translation of Paul Claudel's 14th station poem, "The Body of Jesus Is Laid in a Tomb": The tomb where Christ is put, having suffered and died, the hole hastily unsealed so that he might spend his night there, before the crucified revived and ascended to the Father. This is not merely a new tomb, it is my flesh. It is man, your creature, more profound than the earth! Now that his heart is open and his hands are pierced, there is no cross among us on which his body will not fit. There is no sin in us to which his wound will not correspond. Come to us, from the altar where you are hidden, Redeemer of the World!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MIDDLE EAST LECTURE - April 7, Noon-1:30 pm. Our own Jean-Francois Seznec will provide his insights in Fellowship Hall. For those who have not had a chance to hear his talks in the past, Jean-Francois brings a *wealth* of knowledge and experience around Middle East politics and economics; bring your questions!

SPRING NEW MEMBERS CLASS - Learn more about the fellowship and ministry of First Presbyterian Church. In this three week class, discover what it means to be Presbyterian; find ways to be a part of our community; meet current / future members. April 14, 21, 28, 9:30 am in Shaw Chapel. Those who join will be received at a Session meeting and welcomed in worship in May. RSVP: davidrichardson214@gmail.com.

JOIN THE FPC EMAIL LIST - for Friday's congregational + monthly newsletter emails. RSVP to office@annapolis-presbyterian.com. Stay informed about church activities!



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First Presbyterian Church of Annapolis, Maryland ***Thursday, March 28, 2024 – 7:00 pm Worship*** ***Maundy Thursday/Good Friday***

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

✠ Please rise in body or in spirit. **Bold** in unison.

At the ringing of the church bells, the congregation is invited to quiet our hearts and minds.

PRELUDE - XIV: "The Body of Jesus is laid in a tomb"
from *The Stations of the Cross*

Marcel Dupré

WELCOME

OPENING SENTENCES

Jesus Christ is Lord and Host,
inviting us to come and share in the feast he has prepared.

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

Jesus Christ is Master and Servant,
kneeling before us in humility, washing our feet in love.

As he has loved us, let us love one another.

✠ **HYMN 220** - *Go to Dark Gethsemane*

REDHEAD

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, in the breaking of the bread and the pouring of the wine, we become aware of the depth of your self-giving love; we see our own failures to live as people fed by you. In a world hungry for food and thirsty for compassion, we are often stingy and hard-hearted. We make our tables exclusive and share only with those we like. Forgive our selfishness and have mercy upon us. Give us glad and generous hearts, so that we may give freely following the example of Jesus. Amen.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

In word, in deed, in love that never quits, Jesus Chris has done for us what we could never do for ourselves. This is good news! **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

THE GOSPEL - John 13:1-17, 31b-35

SERMON

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

(Give online at www.annapolis-presbyterian.com/give or scan QR code in bulletin.)

OFFERTORY - *What Wondrous Love Is This* WONDROUS LOVE

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE AND COMMUNION

- Invitation
- Prayers of the People
- Words of Institution
- Communion of the People
- Prayer after Communion

STRIPPING OF THE CHURCH

PRAYER FOR GOOD FRIDAY

Christ Jesus bore our sins in his body on the cross so that we might die to sin and live for righteousness. Blessed is the name of the Lord. **Almighty God, look with mercy on your family; for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed and to be given over to the hands of sinners, and to suffer death on the cross; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE - Psalm 22

ANTHEM - *Ave Verum Corpus*, The Chancel Choir W. A. Mozart

THE GOSPEL - John 18:1-19:42
This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SILENT REFLECTION

THE SOLEMN INTERCESSION AND 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. 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, the power, and glory forever. Amen.

✠HYMN 228 - *Were You There* WERE YOU THERE
(Immediately following the hymn, please depart in silence.)

THOSE ASSISTING THIS EVENING - Preacher: Mihee Kim-Kort; Liturgist: Andrew Kort.

CHILD CARE AVAILABLE - this evening for infants through elementary aged children.

APRIL NEWSLETTER - Paper copies available at rear of sanctuary, or download PDF online (<https://www.annapolis-presbyterian.com/s/April-2024-Internet-News.pdf>).

LOOKING AHEAD IN WORSHIP

March 31 - Easter Worship 9:00 + 11:00 am; 10:15 am Egg Hunt
Pastor Andy will preach. At 10:15 am, an egg hunt in the courtyard for children and in the Kinhart Center for youth. Coffee served at 10:15 am.

April 7 - Older Adult Recognition Sunday; Communion
Pastor Mihee will preach, the Lord's Supper served, and Crossroads Choir will sing! Members 85 years and older will be recognized and thanked for their contributions to First Presbyterian Church.

Rev. Dr. Andrew Kort + Rev. Mihee Kim-Kort, Co-Pastors
Miss Good, Family Ministry Director + Jill Woodward, Music Director + Grace Oh, Organist
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Covenant Church with the Haiti Restoration Partnership; A More Light Congregation