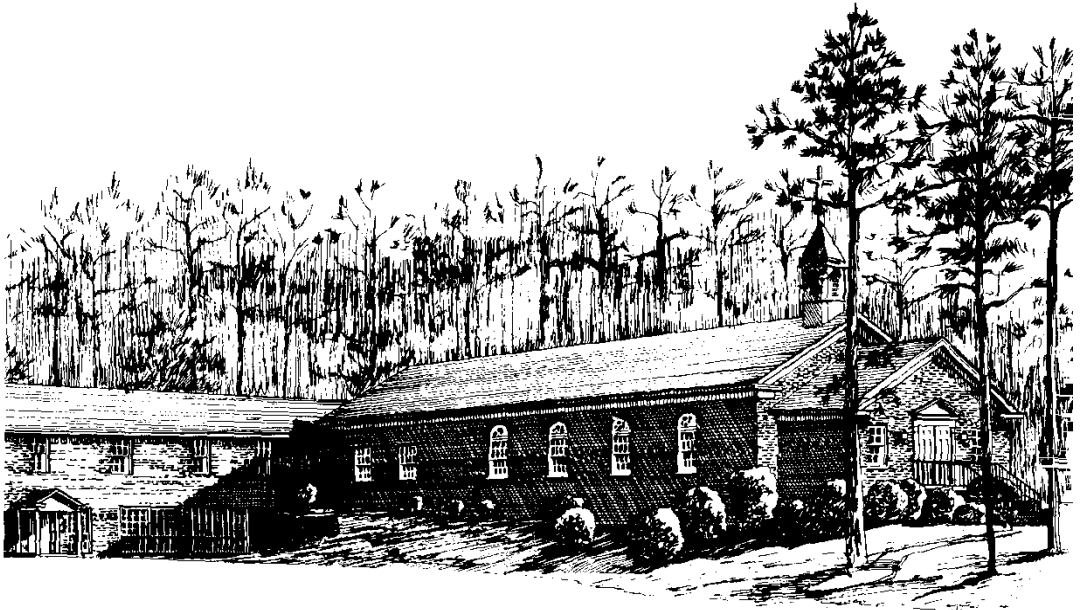


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Christians Who Love and Care.

"As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. If you obey my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have obeyed my Father's commands and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you." (John 5:9-12, NIV)

MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE
March 28, 2013
7:00 p.m.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

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PRELUDE

Sandra Perkins & Gail Rollings

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: On this day...

All: Christ the Lamb of God, gave himself into the hands of those who would put him to death.

One: On this day...

All: Christ gathered with his disciples in the upper room.

One: On this day...

All: Christ took a towel and washed the disciples’ feet, giving us an example that we should do for others as he has done for us.

One: On this day...

All: Christ our Lord gave us this holy feast, that we, who eat this bread and drink this cup, may proclaim his holy sacrifice and partake in his resurrection and at the last day – reign with him in heaven. Amen.

*Opening Hymn

“Just As I Am”

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WE CONFESS OUR SIN (In unison)

“By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.” We are not always that willing to love one another, especially when others have wronged us for whatever reasons. We hold grudges rather than confront our aggressors. We talk *about* them rather than *to* them. As Judas betrayed Jesus; we continue to deceive the risen Christ. As we partake of the Lord’s Supper, the table is not yet spread with good will. Forgive our reluctance to humble ourselves and wash us anew with the waters of new life. We ask this in Jesus’ name. Amen.

*Congregation: please stand, if able; **bold type read aloud.**

A MOMENT OF SILENT CONFESSION

PROMISE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

One: As Jesus washed the disciples' feet, we are washed anew with the waters of our baptism.

All: As we have died with Christ in a death like his, we shall arise to new life in a resurrection like his.

One: Therein lies our assurance...

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

"Amazing Grace" (Verse 1)



PASSING OF THE PEACE (OF CHRIST)

One: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

SCRIPTURE:	Jeremiah 20:7-12	Old Testament	Pg. 630-631
	John 17:1-12	New Testament	Pg. 879-880

CHORAL ANTHEM	"Is It I, Lord?"	[CCL #3162073]
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MESSAGE	"What Time Is It?"	Rev. Beverly S. Bullock
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*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (In unison)

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal. With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen. [From - A Brief Statement of Faith]

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION (THE LORD'S SUPPER)



THE INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GIVING THANKS TO GOD

One: *Gracious God, our Creator*, we give you thanks...

All: For the wonder and goodness of Creation, for so bountifully providing for our needs, and in your abounding mercy, for seeking to restore us in our brokenness to your wonderful image.

One: *Loving Jesus, our Redeemer*, we give you thanks...

All: For your servant's life of preaching, teaching and healing and for your atoning sacrifice on the Cross which has both restored our relationship with our Creator and broken the power of sin to control our lives.

One: *Holy Spirit, who sustains us* moment by moment, we give you thanks...

All: For your transforming presence which creates unity from our diversity and makes us one with the living God who we worship in Jesus Christ. Prepare us to be faithful disciples, modeling the love, humility, and obedience of Jesus and concern for justice in a world full of need.

One: *O Lord, as the Body of Christ*, bearers of the Good News and God's ambassadors of reconciliation, we now lift up to you the prayer which Jesus taught, saying - "*Our Father who art in heaven...*"

*Reflective Hymn

"Let Us Break Bread Together"

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THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE (By intinction – dipping the bread into the cup)

PRAYER OF SENDING

One: Gracious God, you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth.

All: You have fed us with the bread of life and renewed us for your service.

One: Help us who have shared Christ's body and receive his cup to be his faithful disciples,

All: So that our daily living may be part of the life or your kingdom,

One: And *our* love be *your* love, reaching out into the life of the world.

All: Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Departing Hymn

"At the Cross"

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*BENEDICTION

Go out into the world with true humility as we continue our journey through: this evening tide, Good Friday and the Saturday Vigil.

Maundy Thursday observes the Last Supper (a Passover meal) that Jesus shared with his disciples the night before he was crucified. Before the Passover meal, Jesus washed the feet of his disciples. Thus many churches celebrate the Lord's Supper (Holy Communion) as well as Foot Washing Ceremonies on this day.

Maundy Thursday (also known as Holy Thursday, Great Thursday, Covenant Thursday, Sheer Thursday and Thursday of Mysteries) derives its name from the Latin word *mandatum*, meaning "commandment." [note: John 13:34]

The Journey to the Cross



And Beyond

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-WELCOME TO GREGORY MEMORIAL! -

We hope and pray that as you worship with us today you may experience the love of God and be encouraged for the coming week. Visitors, make sure to let us know of your presence by completing one of the registration cards in the pews and placing it in the offering plate. We invite both visitors and “regulars” to use the cards to let us know of your prayer requests or special needs.

VISITOR INFORMATION --- We have special informational packets for our visitors, both adults and children. Please ask an usher for assistance.

SUNDAY SCHOOL---We offer engaging classes each Sunday for all ages beginning at 9:45 am. Children, youth and one adult class meet on the second floor of the Educational Building, and another adult class meets downstairs in the Fellowship Hall. Join us for coffee in the kitchen before and after class!

NURSERY & JUNIOR CHURCH---During the worship service, we provide loving child care for infants and toddlers. Children ages pre-K through 1st grade are invited to join their parents in the service through the Time with Children after which they can follow their leaders to a worship-based activity appropriate for their age. For children who remain in the worship service, there are “worship boards” in a box in the front right pew for their learning and enjoyment during the service.

REMINDERS:

Sunrise Service - Due to the forecasted cold weather for Easter Sunday, March 31st, Sunrise Service will be held inside the Church Sanctuary at 7:30 a.m. , and breakfast will follow immediately afterward in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone is welcome. Please join us!

Sunday School - begins at 9:45 a.m.

Worship Service - begins at 11:00 a.m.

SERMON NOTES

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