

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF PORT HURON



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Maundy Thursday Service
Thursday, April 17, 2025
Rev. Kathy Tessin

*** indicates when to stand, as you are able**

WELCOME AND OPENING WORDS

MOVEMENT I: THE LAST SUPPER

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Liturgist Steve Ahlquist

We have come to worship the Trinity,
**One God, three persons, beyond our understanding
yet constantly revealing themselves to us.**

We have come to worship an infinite being
who took on finite flesh: fully human, fully divine –
a being who is love itself, yet loathes injustice;
**who is almighty, yet let go of power to be in solidarity
with outcasts and criminals.**

We gather to worship the living God
who died.

***OPENING HYMN**

“What Wondrous Love is This”

#85

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Luke 22: 7-13

Liturgist Judith McLean

INVITATION TO CHRIST’S TABLE

Rev. Kathy Tessin

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING: A LITANY OF IN-BETWEEN

Rev. Tessin and Liturgists

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Rev. Tessin

DISTRIBUTION OF THE COMMUNION ELEMENTS

The Lord’s Table will be served by intinction this evening. Coming forward at the direction of the usher, you will be gifted with a piece of bread from a common loaf, and then proceed to the cup to dip the bread in the grape

juice before partaking it. Please follow the directions of the usher to come forward up the middle aisle; return to your pew by the side aisles.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Rev. Tessin

MOVEMENT II: THE JOURNEY TO THE CROSS

HYMN "Go to Dark Gethsemane" (Verse 1) #97

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 22:24-27 Rev. Tessin

HYMN "Go to Dark Gethsemane" (Verse 2) #97

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 23: 20-27 Liturgist Judith

STORIES OF THE CROSS: Simon of Cyrene Liturgist Steve

INVITATION TO CONFESSION Rev. Tessin

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Jesus,

When we side with you, we side with all who threaten the status quo. When we refuse the call to see others' struggles as our own, we abandon our kin to shoulder their crosses alone. So we pray, O God, embolden us to accept the risks that come with following you – even as we resist the powers and systems that set crosses on our shoulders. (Moment of silent prayer.) Amen.

MOVEMENT III: THE CRUCIFIXION

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 23: 39-43 Liturgist Steve

STORIES OF THE CROSS: The criminal on the cross Liturgist Judith

HYMN "Go to Dark Gethsemane" (verse 3) #97

***FINAL SCRIPTURE READING** Luke 23: 44-46, 48

Rev. Tessin

MOVEMENT IV: THE TOMB

***SENDING**

***CLOSING HYMN**

“O Sacred Head, Now Wounded” (verses 1-3)

#98

**EXTINGUISHING OF FINAL CANDLE AND
SHROUDING OF THE TABLE**

Please leave the sanctuary in total silence and contemplation on the importance of the events of this Holy Week.

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EASTER SUNDAY SCHEDULE:

- **8:00 a.m.** Sunrise Worship Service in the Sanctuary
- **8:45 a.m.** Easter Breakfast served in Fellowship Hall
- **10:00 a.m.** Traditional Worship Service in Sanctuary

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GROW in the Christian faith,
and GO share our faith in Jesus Christ.**