



**Tampa Bay
Presbyterian
Church**

**Maundy Thursday
Communion Service**

April 2, 2015

7:00 p.m.

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Thursday, April 2, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.
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Today's Worship Leader: Freddy Fritz

Worship Service

† Please stand as you are able.

PRELUDE

Instrumental

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

CALL TO WORSHIP

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

Happy are all who take refuge in him.

Let us bring our praise to God.

ENTRANCE PRAYER

Lord Jesus, we worship you and offer you now the prayers of our hearts. Help us to enter the spirit of the Upper Room that we may be confronted by your presence and the depth of your love for us. Then prepare our hearts to be fed at your holy table that we may be bound to you in your suffering, that we may be raised with you into a new life. Amen.

† OPENING SONG

Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed
Hymnal 254

GOD CLEANSSES US FROM SIN

CONFESSION OF SIN

People of God, we gather to meet our Savior. We must come with humility and honesty to meet our Lord. Let us then confess our sins to God.

Almighty God, we have promised our love and renewed commitment to you, especially in this season of Lent. Instead, we have proven to be disobedient and ungrateful. We have promised our love and servanthood to each other. Instead, we have sown seeds of hate, envy, bitterness. We have promised to live in the power of our Lord, Jesus Christ. Instead, we have listened to the powers of darkness. For the sake of your Son, Jesus

Christ, the suffering and humble servant, forgive us, we pray, and renew us in his power. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Romans 5:8

God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

GOD CONSECRATES US BY HIS WORD

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 12:1-14

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The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 89 (vv. 1-16)

Trinity Psalter

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE READING

John 13:1-20, 31b-35

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This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

† PREPARATORY SONG

Behold the Lamb

Behold the Lamb, who bears our sins away, slain for us—and we remember the promise made that all who come in faith find forgiveness at the cross. So, we share in this bread of life, and we drink of his sacrifice as a sign of our bonds of peace around the table of the King.

The body of our Savior Jesus Christ, torn for you—eat and remember; the wounds that heal, the death that brings us life paid the price to make us one. So, we share in this bread of life, and we drink of his sacrifice as a sign of our bonds of love around the table of the King.

The blood that cleanses every stain of sin, shed for you—drink and remember he drained death's cup that all may enter in to receive the life of God. So, we share in this bread of life, and we drink of his sacrifice as a sign of our bonds of grace around the table of the King.

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise to respond—and to remember our call to follow in the steps of Christ as his body here on earth. As we share in his suffering, we proclaim Christ will come again and, we'll join in the feast of heaven around the table of the King.

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SCRIPTURE TEXT

John 13:31b-35

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PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

MEDITATION

A New Commandment

Rev. Freddy Fritz

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

GOD COMMUNES WITH US

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

Bread

Cup

GOD COMMISSIONS US TO SERVICE

† CLOSING SONG

What Wondrous Love Is This

Hymnal 261

† BENEDICTION

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Please silence all communication devices.

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Please refrain from eating or drinking during the Worship Service.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome: Welcome to the Tampa Bay Presbyterian Church! Welcome to our Maundy Thursday Communion Service. May God help each one to appreciate the full meaning of Christ's sacrifice on our behalf.

Childcare: Children are invited to stay in the service. However, should your child become restless, a nursery is available for your use.

Easter Sunday Breakfast Brunch: An Easter Sunday breakfast buffet will be served from 9:00 a.m. this coming Sunday. Please bring your dish to serve by 8:45 a.m.

West Wing Dedication Service: There will be a Dedication Service for the recently-completed West Wing at 9:45 a.m.

Easter Sunday Worship Service: Our Easter Worship Service will be this coming Sunday at 10:30 a.m. Invite your friends, neighbors, and relatives to the Easter Worship Service and also to the Easter Sunday Breakfast Buffet.

Sunday School: There will be *no* Sunday School classes on Easter Sunday.

Adult CE&F: There will be *no* Adult CE&F classes on Easter Sunday.

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