

love one another.
Just as I have loved you

The Presbyterian Church of New Rochelle

April 2, 2015, 6:30 p.m.

The Chapel

WE GATHER

One: The Good Shepherd has gathered his flock in the Upper Room.

Many: Who are we that we should be invited?

One: Before the bread was blessed Jesus removed his outer robe and washed his disciple's feet with water and humility.

Many: Jesus washes away our pride, our arrogance and our indifference.

One: As the shadow of the cross darkens the room, the Good Shepherd becomes the Paschal Lamb.

Many: Yes, we were there.

One: When Jesus blesses the bread and seals the new covenant he serves one who will betray him unto death, another who will deny him thrice and others who will cower behind locked doors.

Many: Jesus has prepared this Last Supper for us.

All: Let us rejoice and give thanks to God for this unspeakable gift.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Loving God humble us that we might love and serve our neighbor as Jesus taught his disciples through the washing of their feet. Cleanse us, strengthen us, that when called we may not betray but rather follow your Son through every trial and praise him always.

HYMN# 97

"Go to Dark Gethsemane"

PRAYER of CONFESSION (Unison)

Eternal God whose covenant with us is never broken, we deny you, we betray you and we fail to live into your new covenant that we love one another as you have loved us. You have bound yourself to us, though we will not bind ourselves to you. In your mercy, forgive and cleanse us. Bring us back to your table and unite us to Christ, who is the bread of life and the vine from which we grow in grace.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The Lamb of God has washed away our sins and invited us, even us, to table. By this we are assured of God's everlasting love for us; that in our new life in Christ we are forgiven. Amen

FIRST READING Mark 14: 10-15

Musical Offering Part I: The Betrayal

HOMILY Betrayal

SECOND READING Mark 14:32-38

Musical Offering Part II: Not as I Will but as Thou Wilt

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER

L: The Lord be with you **P: And also with you.**

L: Lift up your hearts **P: We lift them up to the Lord.**

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

P: It is right to give thanks and praise.

L: Holy God Almighty.....ending with **The Lord's Prayer.**

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND THE BREAKING OF BREAD

L: When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

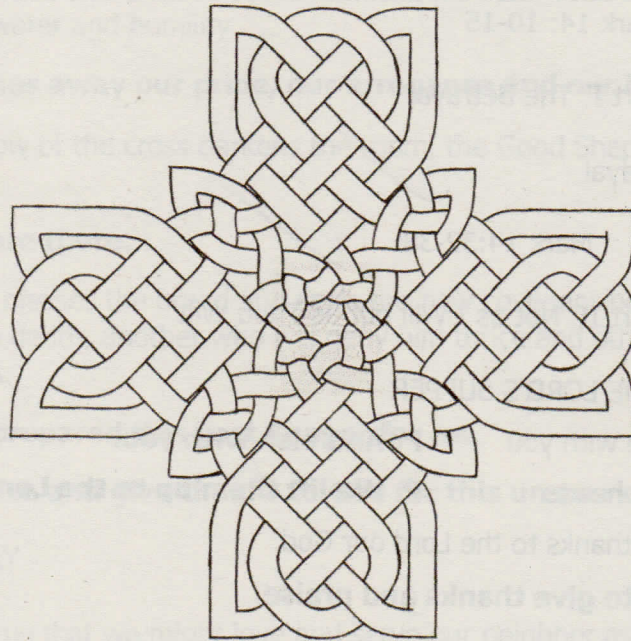
HYMN#93 "Ah, Holy Jesus"

THIRD READING Verses Christina Rossetti

Musical Offering Part III: I am Thine

STRIPPING THE ALTAR Maintain silence while seated

DEPART IN SILENCE



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