

# Maundy Thursday

First Baptist Church

April 9, 2020

## Call to Worship

Phil Majors

*Let us hold fast to the faith we profess. For we have a great high priest who has gone into the very presence of God – Jesus, the Son of God. Our high priest is not one who cannot feel sympathy with our weaknesses. On the contrary, we have a high priest who was tempted in every way that we are, but did not sin. Let us be brave, then, and approach God's throne, where there is grace. There we will receive mercy and find grace to help us just when we need it.*

- from Hebrews 4

## Hymn

*O Come to Me, the Master Said*

KINGSFOLD

*O come to me, the Master said, my Father knows your need;  
And I shall be, the Master said, your bread of life indeed.  
By faith in him we live and grow and share the broken bread,  
And all his love and goodness know, for so the Master said.  
Abide in me, the Master said, the true and living vine;  
My life shall be, the Master said, poured out for you as wine.  
His body to the cross he gave, his blood he freely shed,  
Who came in love to seek and save, for so the Master said.  
Believe in me, the Master said, for I have called you friends,  
And yours shall be, the Master said, the life that never ends.  
And so, with sin and sorrow past, when death itself is dead,  
The Lord shall raise us up at last, for so the Master said.*

- Timothy Dudley-Smith

## Invocation

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## 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, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.*

The Peace

Phil Majors

*The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.  
And also with you.*

Musical Interlude

*Before the Cross of Jesus*

by Frederick Maker

*Before the cross of Jesus our lives are judged today;  
The meaning of our eager strife is tested by his way.  
Across our restless living the light streams from the cross,  
And by its clear, revealing beams we measure gain and loss.  
The hopes that lead us onward, the fears that hold us back,  
Our will to dare great things for God, the courage that we lack,  
On us now let the healing of his great Spirit fall,  
And make us brave and full of joy to answer to his call.*

- Ferdinand Blanchard

A Reading from John, Chapter 13

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Musical Interlude

*Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross*

by William Doane

*Jesus, keep me near the cross: there a precious fountain,  
Free to all, a healing stream, flows from Calvary's mountain.  
Near the cross! O Lamb of God, bring its scenes before me;  
Help me walk from day to day with its shadows o'er me.*

- Fanny J. Crosby

Breaking the Bread; Sharing the Cup

Jefferson Calico

Hymn

*The Old Rugged Cross*

OLD RUGGED CROSS

*On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross, the emblem of suffering and shame;  
And I love that old cross where the dearest and best for a world of lost sinners was slain.  
So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, till my trophies at last I lay down;  
I will cling to the old rugged cross, and exchange it some day for a crown.  
Oh, that old rugged cross, so despised by the world, has a wondrous attraction for me;  
For the dear Lamb of God left his glory above, to bear it to dark Calvary.  
So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, till my trophies at last I lay down;  
I will cling to the old rugged cross, and exchange it some day for a crown.*

- George Bennard

Closing Prayer

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Gayle Majors, Organist  
Carolyn Garr, piano     Samuel Garr, clarinet