Naomi Makemie Presbyterian Church Onancock, VA April 6, 2023 Large Print

Our Mission Statement

"Do what is fair and just to your neighbor, be compassionate and loyal in your love, and don't take yourself too seriously—take God seriously." Micah 6:8 Compassionate, Fair and Loyal

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Welcome to worship! We are glad you joined us today. If you are seeking a church home, we invite you to join in the fellowship and ministry of this congregation. We look forward to seeing you again. Please fill out one of the visitor cards and drop it in the offering plate.

Prayer Concerns Carolyn Lin, Eli Chen, Meg Adams, Anne Barnes

Ways to serve: host fellowship hour, read Scripture, acolyte, a signup sheet is available in the Grove room.

The Thursday before Easter is known as either **Maundy** Thursday, or **Holy** Thursday. **Maundy** is derived from the Latin word for

"command," and refers to Jesus' commandment to the disciples to "Love one another as I have loved you."

On this night the Lord showed his disciples how deep his love extended. He bowed down, kneeled before them, took their feet, one by one and gently, ever so intently, washed their feet. As we depart this evening, we may dip our hands in the font and be reminded of sign of Christ's love for us. Tonight, Communion is by intinction. Come forward, take the bread and dip it in the common cup. If you prefer you may take an individual cup and dip your bread in it as you return to your seat. *The Service of Shadows-The Tenebrae service of light to darkness is usually held on Good Friday. Tonight we bring this service using the seven last words of Christ.*

Easter service Sunday April 9 at 11:00 am

Sunday school April 23rd 9:45 am **Tuesdays** 5:30 Made with Love knitting/craft group **Thursday** Choir meets 4/13 at 4:30. Reverend Monica Gould c-757-709-2846 mongould@gmail.com Naomi Makemie 89 Market St Onancock/ Mailing Address- P.O. Box 397 Onancock, VA 23417 757-787-1331 Office Hours Wednesday 9:30-12 Staff, Elders & volunteers Organist/Pianist-Mark Nuckols, Choir Director-Debbie Ryon, Office Administrator-Jennifer Stapleton, Nursery Worker-Mickey Palmer, Videographer-Mike Gould, Lead Usher-Suzanne Rogers, Clerk-Jennifer Stapleton Treasurer-George Heinrichs Elders: 2025 Bill Baird, Patty Davis, Jennifer Stapleton, 2024 Ron May, Linda Arvidson, Meg Adams Class 2023 Megan Ames, Rick Turner, Marsh Ryon; NMPresChurch.org church naomimpchurch@gmail.com

Maundy Thursday and Tenebrae Service

April 6, 2023 7 pm

Mark NuckolsReverend Monica GouldDebbie RyonOrganist/PianistpastorChoir Director*Asterix is to stand in body or spirit. Bold print is congregational response.

Please enter humbly, worship deeply, and leave quietly this evening with your heart centered on the suffering of Christ for you.

Prelude/Welcome

Choral Opening Come and Find a Quiet Center Come and find a quiet center in the crowded life we lead, find the room for hope to enter, find the frame where we are freed: Clear the chaos and the clutter, clear our eyes that we can see, all the things that really matter, be at peace, and simply be.

Call to Worship

Come, Lord Jesus, you too were tired when the day was done; you me your friends at evening time. **Come, Lord Jesus.**

Come Lord Jesus, you too enjoyed when the nights drew on; you told your tales at the close of day. **Come, Lord Jesus, nourish us.**

Come, Lord Jesus, you kindled faith when the lamps were low; you opened scriptures, broke bread, shed light as darkness fell **Come, Lord Jesus, meet us here.**

Opening Prayer

In the mystery of your presence, no words are needed. In the depth of your silence, no sound is necessary. In the face of your Word, no voice need respond. "Be still" you say, "and know that I am God." We will be still, we will wait, we will remember, we will worship. We will remember and call out, "Jesus remember me when you come into your kingdom." Amen.

*Hymn

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me #363

Prayer of Confession

Eternal God, whose covenant is never broken with us, we confess we fail to live into your will. In Jesus Christ, you serve us freely, yet we fail to receive your love. By your Spirit you offer us guidance and peace, yet we fail to allow your stirrings to lead us. Forgive us and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Lead us once again to your Table and unite us with Christ, who is the bread of life and the vine from which we grow in grace. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Reading The Mandatum Novum- the Mandate John 13:1–11, 31b–35 Jesus washes the disciples' feet and gives a new commandment. John 13:34-35 "*A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples if you love one another.*"

1 Corinthians 11:23–26 Paul recounts & interprets the Lord's Supper.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

*Hymn

An Upper Room did the Lord Prepare v. 1,2,3

Invitation

What shall we give unto the Lord for all he's done for us? We'll take the gift of salvation, and call, and call upon his name!

The Lord be with you **And also with you** Lift up your hearts **We lift them up to the Lord** Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Prayer

Communion Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body; for we all partake of the one bread. The bread that we break, is it not a sharing in the body of Christ? The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a sharing in the blood of Christ?

The Service of Shadows-The Tenebrae service of light to darkness

Beloved people of God, as Jesus stretched out his arms on the cross to offer life and salvation to all, let us pray for the world that God loves so much... 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 debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen

Choir anthem

God So Loved the World

The seven last words of Jesus are seven short phrases said by Jesus while he hung on the cross before his death. Tonight we reflect on those words through various Scripture texts and take time to recognize the power of forgiveness and love in the final moments of life. At the end of each reading we respond with prayer in unison.

1 "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing" Luke 23:24

Reading Reflection Psalm 51:1-5

Prayer

Oh God we come to you this evening seeking your mercy, needing your healing; include us in your prayer to the Father that we too, may receive forgiveness, be made whole and restored to your presence.

Extinguish first candle

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2	"Today you will be with me in Paradise"	Luke 23:43
Reading Reflection	John 14:1-4	
	nber us when you come into your kingdom. We acknowledge t nt to the cross for us, help us now to prepare our hearts to rec Extinguish second candle	•
Hymn	Jesus Remember Me sing three times.	#599
3	"Dear woman, here is your son." "Here is your mother."	John 19:26-27
Reading Reflection	Mark 3:31-35	
us the love th	aven, help us to see your people and our families in the way th at is so wondrous that we may show concern and provide help and all your children. Extinguish third candle	
Hymn	Beneath the Cross of Jesus	
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4	"My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"	#92 Matthew 27:46
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	Extinguish fourth candle	
Hymn	Were You There?	#102
5	"I am thirsty"	John 19:28
Reading Reflection Prayer	Isaiah 55:1-5	
• • • •	ou. Oh God, my body longs for you. May I be sati oured yourself out for us on the cross. My heart tr	

nails and the spear, but my heart is lifted to rejoicing when I think of the refreshing of my soul by the new life that burst forth from you.

	Extinguish fifth candle	
6	"It is finished"	John 19:30
Reading Reflection	Luke 13:31-35	

Prayer

Lord Jesus, you finished the work the Father called you to do. Help us, by your Holy Spirit, to be faithful and finish the calling you have placed on our lives. Extinguish sixth candle

Hymn	When I Survey the Wondrous Cross v. 1&3	#101
7	"Father, into your hands I commend my spirit."	Luke 23:46
Reading Reflection	Luke 2:29-35	

Prayer

Life giving God, you accepted Jesus as he gave his life over to death and committed himself to you. Grant that we may follow his example. We commit from this day forth to give ourselves over to you and live by your will. As Jesus lived in the fullness you offered him, we ask that we may will also live in that fullness. Amen.

Extinguish 7th Candle

Candle extinguished-lights out abruptly- Loud Slam

Return to Light

The true light that enlightens everyone came into the world through Christ **Though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him.** In him was life, and his life was the light of all. **The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness cannot overcome it.**

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*All: Truly he was the Son of God. Amen Dismissal

Leave quietly...The sanctuary is stripped bare...