

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
1001 Chester Road, Lansing 48912, (517) 482-6063
April 18, 2019—7:00 pm
Maudy Thursday Service

Opening Prayer:

- Christ, pouring yourself out, love drained to the last drop, we adore You.
- Christ, kneeling as a servant, washing the disciples' feet, shocking in Your humility, we adore You.
- Christ, taking bread and wine, crystal-clear in Your awareness, of the work You must complete, we adore You. Amen.

Opening Hymn*

“Jesus Loves Me!”
Blue Hymnal #113

Holy Week Art from Our Young Artists

Scripture Reading:

John 13:1-11 (NT p. 100)

Message:

“Lord, Host, Servant”
Rev. Dr. Rick Boyd

Prayer:

Great God, in Christ You call my name,
and then receive us as Your own,
not through some merit, right or claim,
but by Your gracious love alone.
We strain to glimpse Your mercy-seat,
and find You kneeling at our feet.

Then take the towel, and break the bread,
and humble us, and call us friends.
Suffer and serve till all are fed,
and show how grandly love intends
to work till all creation sings,
to fill all worlds, to crown all things.
Amen.

Communion Hymn

“Jesu, Jesu”
Blue Hymnal #600

Instructions for adults:

Come forward for communion and then return to your seats.

Instructions for children:

Come forward for communion and then sit in the front row if you want to experience the Maudy Thursday foot washing ritual.

Prayer:

Servant-Christ, we follow You into the garden
to watch with You.
Help us to be ever vigilant
for signs of the dawning of Your day,
to struggle unsparingly to understand
and to be obedient to Your perfect will. Amen.

Closing Hymn*

“Day By Day”
Blue Hymnal #599

Day by day, day by day.
O, dear Lord, three things I pray:
To see Thee more clearly
Love Thee more dearly
Follow Thee more nearly,
Day by Day



Prayer Requests:

For those facing challenges: Katie, Samantha & Mervyn Shepherd; Chris Strayer; the people of South Sudan & Syria; Carrie & Nate Chance & Zephan & Miranda; Alize Charles; Carolyn Haun; Jill Dimmitt; Ebonia Williams.

From Yvonne: Our Lord & Savior, I thank You for being with my husband – holding him in the palm of Your loving & protecting hands. Lord we ask that his faith be strong.

From Shawna: Thank you, God, for my brother's interim job at Arby's. I pray he finds a more solid job soon, but I am grateful for this relief from bills.

From Candi & Gene Giangacomo: Thanks for the prayers for Zoe. Her numbers are in the normal range. She is scheduled for a bone marrow & surgery is a go!!

For Stew McAlvey who has been moved to Sparrow Rehabilitation. Pray for him to rest & heal. No visitors please.

From Mike Lipsey: For Pat, upcoming tests.

From Carin: The Elders of the church give thanks for a deep & meaningful Retreat. We pray for God's guidance as we continue to help lead the church.

For Carolyn Haun who is experiencing continued hardships. Please pray for healing, family issues to be resolved & financial relief.

From Rose & Tom: Please pray for my family's future, homelessness, & health – in Jesus name, Amen.

From the Nash Family: Lord, wrap Your arms around us. Give us strength to deal with another loss in our family.

From Anonymous: Jan Krehbiel & his family. Jan is gravely ill.

From Karen & Rick: Thanks for 2 developments: Emma has a new job in her organization that requires less reading. And she has new specialized glasses that should correct for the visual distortions. Pray that these things will allow Emma to perform well at her job again.

