



**Maundy Thursday**

**April 2, 2026**

**7:00 pm**

**St. John's Christian Church**

*"The Church on the Corner whose Cornerstone is Christ"*

Prelude

“Your Great Name”

Welcome and Call to Worship

The Invitation and Prayer

Confession of Sin and Assurance of Forgiveness (1 John 1:5-7)

Prayer of Dedication and the Giving of Our Offerings to the Lord

Offertory

“He Knows My Name”

†Congregational Hymn

#342, “Just As I Am”

**“From the Upper Room to the Cross”**

The First Reading – “The Time Had Come”

John 13:1-10

The Second Reading – “One of You Will Betray Me”

Matthew 26:21-25

The Third Reading – “The One Who Serves”

Luke 22:24-27

The Fourth Reading – “Love One Another”

John 13:31-38

Hymn

“’Tis Midnight; and on Olive’s Brow”

The Fifth Reading – “This Is My Body”

Luke 22:15-20

Serving of the Bread and the Serving of the Cup

The Sixth Reading – “I Am the Way”

John 14:1-27

The Seventh Reading – “You Believe at Last”

John 16:25-33

Hymn

“Wonderful Peace”

The Eighth Reading – “Glorify Your Son”

John 17:1-7, 12-23

Special Music

“Lord, is it I?”

The Ninth Reading – “Your Will Be Done”

Matthew 26:36-50, 59-67

Hymn

vs. 1-2, “Go to Dark Gethsemane”

The Tenth Reading – “It Is Finished”

John 19:1-16, 25-30

The Final Reading – “For God So Loved the World”

John 3:16-19

†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 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*

†Please Depart in Silent Meditation

**THE LAST SUPPER** is remembered not as the Jewish Passover, but as the Lord’s Supper into which Jesus transformed it for his disciples. Instead of celebrating the escape from slavery in Egypt it became a celebration of his passing over from death to life in which his followers share.

“Maundy” is the English form of the Latin word “mandatum” meaning “commandment.” This refers to Jesus’ commandment in John 13:34: *“A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another.”*

In our observance of the Sacrament of Communion this evening, the men portraying the disciples will be serving the elements, and as the trays are passed through the aisles, people should eat and drink of the elements as they are received.

We observe open communion – all who confess their sins and accept Christ as Lord and Savior may partake. The bread trays have gluten-free bread, and grape juice is served in the trays of the cup.

**OUR LOOSE OFFERINGS** will support the ministries of the Archbold Lifewise Academy, and the Archbold Fish Pantry.

**DRAMA PARTICIPANTS:**

Judas:	David Stuckey	James, son of Zebedee:	Bruce Wooley
James, son of Alphaeus:	Avery Roth	John:	Ryan Christman
Matthew:	Scott Reeb	Thomas:	Jeremy Kinsman
Simon:	Adam Walker	Peter:	Jim Grieser
Thaddeus:	Steve Walker	Philip:	Roger Zimmerman
Andrew:	Andrew Rohrs	Jesus:	Erich Christman
Bartholomew:	Kelly Ducey		

**WORSHIP SERVANTS:**

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Accompanist	Buffy Riley	Sound Tech:	James Grime
Song Leader	Andrew Rohrs	Live Stream Tech:	Cayla Swisher
Worship Leader	Jan Lindsay	Easy Worship Tech:	Tom Hines
Head Usher	Greg Walker		
Usher	Tom & Laura Johnson, Keith & Kelli Kuntz		
Special Music	Kason Dennis, Rebecca Lopez, Joshua Reeb & Aiden Thomas		

# HOLY WEEK SERVICES

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April 3     **Good Friday Service**

7:00PM     Service of Tenebrae, a service of diminishing lights as we remember the crucifixion of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

April 5     **Easter Sunday! He is Risen!**

7:00AM     Sunrise Service - created and led by Senior High Youth, a blessed way to greet the morning and celebrate the glorious good news of Christ's Resurrection!

8:00AM     Easter Breakfast

8:45AM     Kids Easter Egg Hunt

9:15AM     Sunday School

10:30AM    Easter Worship - Christ is Risen! He is Risen Indeed! Easter worship of music and scripture.

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