

A rustic clay chalice stands on the left, and several pieces of torn, golden-brown bread are scattered at the bottom. In the background, a piece of bleached, gnarled driftwood lies horizontally. The entire scene is set against a dark, textured background.

MAUNDY THURSDAY COMMUNION SERVICE

*As the Father loved Me,
I also have loved you;
abide in My love.
John 15:9*

28 MARCH 2024 | 8.00PM

Abide in My Love

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PRE-WORSHIP HYMN

CP 270 | Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Mark Tan & Rev. Mitchell Tan

INVOCATION

HYMNS

HWC 176 | Lead me to Calvary

HWC 520 | Redeemed

SPECIAL ITEM

“And Can It Be?” | *One Voice*

MAUNDY THURSDAY MESSAGE

“Abide in My Love”

Text: John 15:1-17

Rev. Dr Charles Tan

Maundy Thursday Communion Service 2024



THE LORD'S SUPPER

We celebrate the Lord's Supper this evening at our Maundy Thursday Communion Service. The Lord's Table is open to all who have been baptized and confirmed in their faith.

The Bread and the Cup

And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to the disciples and said, "Take, eat; this is My body."

*Then He took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying,
"Drink from it, all of you."*

For this is My blood of the new covenant, which is shed for the remission of sins.

Matthew 26:26-28

COMMUNION HYMN

HWC 466 | Jesus, Lover of my soul



CLOSING HYMN

HWC 451 | O Master, Let me Walk with Thee

BENEDICTION

Rev. Dr Charles Tan

MAUNDY THURSDAY OFFERING

POSTLUDE



PRE-WORSHIP HYMN

CP 270 TURN YOUR EYES UPON JESUS

HELEN H. LEMMEL

1. O soul, are you weary and troubled?
No light in the darkness you see?
There's light for a look at the Saviour,
And life more abundant and free!

Refrain

Turn your eyes upon Jesus,
Look full in His wonderful face,
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim,
In the light of His glory and grace.

2. Through death into life everlasting,
He passed, and we follow Him there;
O'er us sin no more hath dominion—
For more than conqu'rors we are!

Refrain

3. His Word shall not fail you—He promised;
Believe Him, and all will be well:
Then go to a world that is dying,
His perfect salvation to tell!

Refrain



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HYMN

HWC 176 LEAD ME TO CALVARY

JENNIE E. HUSSEY

1. King of my life, I crown Thee now,
Thine shall the glory be;
Lest I forget Thy thorn-crowned brow,
Lead me to Calvary.

Refrain

Lest I forget Gethsemane; lest I forget Thine agony;
Lest I forget Thy love for me, lead me to Calvary.

2. Show me the tomb where Thou wast laid,
Tenderly mourned and wept;
Angels in robes of light arrayed
Guarded Thee whilst Thou slept.

Refrain

3. Let me like Mary, through the gloom,
Come with a gift to Thee;
Show to me now the empty tomb,
Lead me to Calvary.

Refrain

4. May I be willing, Lord, to bear
Daily my cross for Thee;
Even Thy cup of grief to share,
Thou hast borne all for me.

Refrain



HYMN

HWC 520 REDEEMED

FANNY J. CROSBY

1. Redeemed, how I love to proclaim it!
Redeemed by the blood of the Lamb;
Redeemed through His infinite mercy,
His child, and forever, I am.

Refrain

Redeemed, redeemed,
Redeemed by the blood of the Lamb;
Redeemed, through His infinite mercy,
His child, and forever, I am.

2. Redeemed and so happy in Jesus,
No language my rapture can tell;
I know that the light of His presence
With me doth continually dwell.

Refrain

3. I think of my blessed Redeemer,
I think of Him all the day long;
I sing, for I cannot be silent;
His love is the theme of my song.

Refrain



And Can It Be?

Words by: Charles Wesley | Music by: Dan Forrest | Performed by: One Voice

And can it be? And can it be?
Amazing love, how can it be?

And can it be that I should gain
An interest in the Saviour's blood?
Died He for me who caused His pain?
For me who Him to death pursued?

Amazing love! How can it be
That Thou my God, shouldst die for me?

He left His Father's throne above,
So free, so infinite His grace;
Emptied Himself of all but love,
And bled for Adam's helpless race;

'Tis mercy all, immense and free;
For, O my God, it found out me.

And can it be? And can it be?
Amazing love, how can it be?

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No condemnation now I dread,
Jesus and all in Him is mine!
Alive in Him my living Head,
And clothed in righteousness divine,

Bold I approach th'eternal throne,
And claim the crown through Christ my own.

Amazing love, how can it be
That Thou my God shouldst die for me?

Amazing love, how can it be?
Amazing love!



SCRIPTURE TEXTS

JOHN 13:1

Now before the Feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that His hour had come that He should depart from this world to the Father, having loved His own who were in the world, He loved them to the end.

JOHN 13:34-35

³⁴ A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another. ³⁵ By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another."

JOHN 14:21-24

²¹ He who has My commandments and keeps them, it is he who loves Me. And he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and manifest Myself to him." ²² Judas (not Iscariot) said to Him, "Lord, how is it that You will manifest Yourself to us, and not to the world?" ²³ Jesus answered and said to him, "If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our home with him. ²⁴ He who does not love Me does not keep My words; and the word which you hear is not Mine but the Father's who sent Me.

JOHN 15:1-17

¹ "I am the true vine, and My Father is the vinedresser. ² Every branch in Me that does not bear fruit He takes away; and every *branch* that bears fruit He prunes, that it may bear more fruit. ³ You are already clean because of the word which I have spoken to you. ⁴ Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me.

⁵ "I am the vine, you *are* the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing. ⁶ If anyone does not abide in Me, he is cast out as a branch and is withered; and they gather them and throw *them* into the fire, and they are burned. ⁷ If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you ^[b] will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you.

⁸ By this My Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit; so you will be My disciples.

⁹ "As the Father loved Me, I also have loved you; abide in My love. ¹⁰ If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love, just as I have kept My Father's commandments and abide in His love.

¹¹ "These things I have spoken to you, that My joy may remain in you, and *that* your joy may be full. ¹² This is My commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ¹³ Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one's life for his friends. ¹⁴ You are

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My friends if you do whatever I command you. ¹⁵ No longer do I call you servants, for a servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all things that I heard from My Father I have made known to you. ¹⁶ You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit, and *that* your fruit should remain, that whatever you ask the Father in My name He may give you. ¹⁷ These things I command you, that you love one another.

JOHN 17:24-26

²⁴ "Father, I desire that they also whom You gave Me may be with Me where I am, that they may behold My glory which You have given Me; for You loved Me before the foundation of the world. ²⁵ O righteous Father! The world has not known You, but I have known You; and these have known that You sent Me. ²⁶ And I have declared to them Your name, and will declare *it*, that the love with which You loved Me may be in them, and I in them."

COMMUNION HYMN

HWC 466 JESUS, LOVER OF MY SOUL
CHARLES WESLEY

1. Jesus, Lover of my soul, let me to Thy bosom fly,
While the nearer waters roll, while the tempest still is high;
Hide me, O my Saviour, hide, till the storm of life is past;
Safe into the haven guide; O receive my soul at last!

2. Other refuge have I none; hangs my helpless soul on Thee;
Leave, ah! leave me not alone, still support and comfort me.
All my trust on Thee is stayed, all my help from Thee I bring;
Cover my defenceless head with the shadow of Thy wing.

3. Thou, O Christ, art all I want; more than all in Thee I find;
Raise the fallen, cheer the faint, heal the sick and lead the blind.
Just and holy is Thy name, I am all unrighteousness;
False and full of sin I am, Thou art full of truth and grace.

4. Plenteous grace with Thee is found, grace to cover all my sin;
Let the healing streams abound; make and keep me pure within.
Thou of life the fountain art, freely let me take of Thee;
Spring Thou up within my heart, rise to all eternity.



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CLOSING HYMN

HWC 451 O MASTER, LET ME WALK WITH THEE WASHINGTON GLADDEN

1. O Master, let me walk with Thee
In lowly paths of service free;
Tell me Thy secret; help me bear
The strain of toil, the fret of care.

2. Help me the slow of heart to move
By some clear, winning word of love;
Teach me the wayward feet to stay,
And guide them in the homeward way.

3. Teach me Thy patience! Still with Thee
In closer, dearer company,
In work that keeps faith sweet and strong,
In trust that triumphs over wrong.

4. In hope that sends a shining ray
Far down the future's broadening way,
In peace that only Thou canst give,
With Thee, O Master, let me live.



#1

THE LOVE WITH WHICH YOU LOVED ME

Love was the special bond between Father and Son;
It was this Love that sustained till life was done.
It was a Love that drew the Son to seek His Father;
Prayer was a special communion like no other!

This was the Love the Lord gave to His disciples;
He gave to them more than just life principles.
Doctrine may fade away as one grows older;
But Love will cause the heart to grow fonder.

The Father's Love was there at the very beginning;
Love was in existence before the earth's origin.
This was the Everlasting Love that God gave;
This Love will last till we enter into our grave.

This Everlasting Love is what we must seek;
Without this Love, life can appear bleak.
When the heart is filled with this Love;
It is a glorious taste of Heaven above!

Charles Tan
Inspiration: John 17:24-26

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#2

Love Our Heavenly Father

We remember the Lord Jesus' death and resurrection at Easter;
How, for man's salvation, only God's sacrifice of His only Son
did matter.

God's love for man is without equal and inimitable;
His love existed from the beginning, is now, and will be forever.

If only we were honest to ponder and consider;
Countless times we must have failed our Heavenly Father.
Despite God's love being unconditional and inspirational;
Have our responses to His love been even commendable?

Mary's gift of expensive oil of spikenard was exceptional;
Only to be criticized for being indulgent and prodigal.
Is Judas Iscariot's manner reminiscent of our own behavior?
Are we similarly selfish when it comes to loving our Savior?

God forgives our sins and the latter, He does not remember;
He is our God who still loves a penitent sinner.
As we commemorate and luxuriate in God's love this Easter;
May we learn to honor and reciprocate
the love of our Heavenly Father.

Dr. Sng Li Wah

Inspiration: Matthew 26:6-13; Mark 14:3-9;
John 12:1-8; Isaiah 43:25

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