

# MAUNDY THURSDAY TENEBRAE SERVICE

April 2, 2026

## THE GATHERING

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

\*CALL TO WORSHIP From Psalm 116

Leader: I love the Lord, because God has heard my voice and my supplications.

**People: You have inclined your ear to me; therefore I will call on you as long as I live.**

Leader: What shall I return to the Lord? I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on your name, O God.

**People: I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all God's people.**

**All: Let us worship God.**

\*HYMN 202 *An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare*

\*PRAYER OF THE DAY

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Humble Savior, your words were clear: "I give you a new commandment, that you love one another, just as I have loved you." You have loved us unfaithfully, unceasingly, and we have rejoiced in that love. But we have not poured out on others the love you have lavished on us. Forgive us. Cover us with your mercy, and lead us once again in your ways. Amen.**

*Silent Prayer*

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

## THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING John 13: 1-17, 31b-35

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

MEDITATION

CHORAL ANTHEM *Gethsemane*

## THE EUCHARIST

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them up to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

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.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD & COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

## THE SERVICE OF TENEBRAE

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

*Jesus Prays on the Mount of Olives*

Luke 22: 39-46

MUSIC *O Sacred Head Now Wounded*

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

*The Betrayal and Arrest of Jesus*

Luke 22: 47-53

HYMN 220 *Go to Dark Gethsemane*

THIRD SCRIPTURE READING

*The Mocking and Beating of Jesus, Jesus Before the Council*

Luke 22: 63-71

MUSIC *Ah, Holy Jesus*

FOURTH SCRIPTURE READING

*Jesus Sentenced to Death*

Luke 23: 13-25

HYMN 216 *Beneath the Cross of Jesus*

FIFTH SCRIPTURE READING

*The Crucifixion of Jesus*

Luke 23: 26-43

MUSIC *Were You There*

SIXTH SCRIPTURE READING

*The Death of Jesus*

Luke 23: 44-49

MUSIC *What Wondrous Love Is This?*

DRAPING OF THE CROSS

THE APOSTLES CREED

*Whisper in unison*

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

THE STREPITUS

***Please Depart in Silence***

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Leading in worship today:

Pastor: Rev. Beth Newman

Music Director: Kathy Wiggins

Elder of the Month: Diana Ranson

# HOLY WEEK



## SCHEDULE

**Friday April 3rd** - "Journey with Jesus through the Stations of the Cross" at The United Methodist Church Friday, from 10:00 a.m. through 2:00 p.m.  
Potluck lunch at 12:00.

**Easter Sunday April 5th** - Sunday Potluck Breakfast at 9:00 a.m.  
Easter Egg Hunt at 10:00 a.m.  
Worship Service at 11:00 a.m.

### The Strepitus

From the Latin for noise or din, the Strepitus brings our service to a close without benediction or song — only a sudden, jarring crash, and then silence. The sound represents the chaos of the night of Jesus' arrest: the world breaking apart, order giving way, darkness having its moment. It offers no resolution. We leave as the disciples left — in silence, accompanying Jesus into the long night ahead, not yet knowing what morning will bring.

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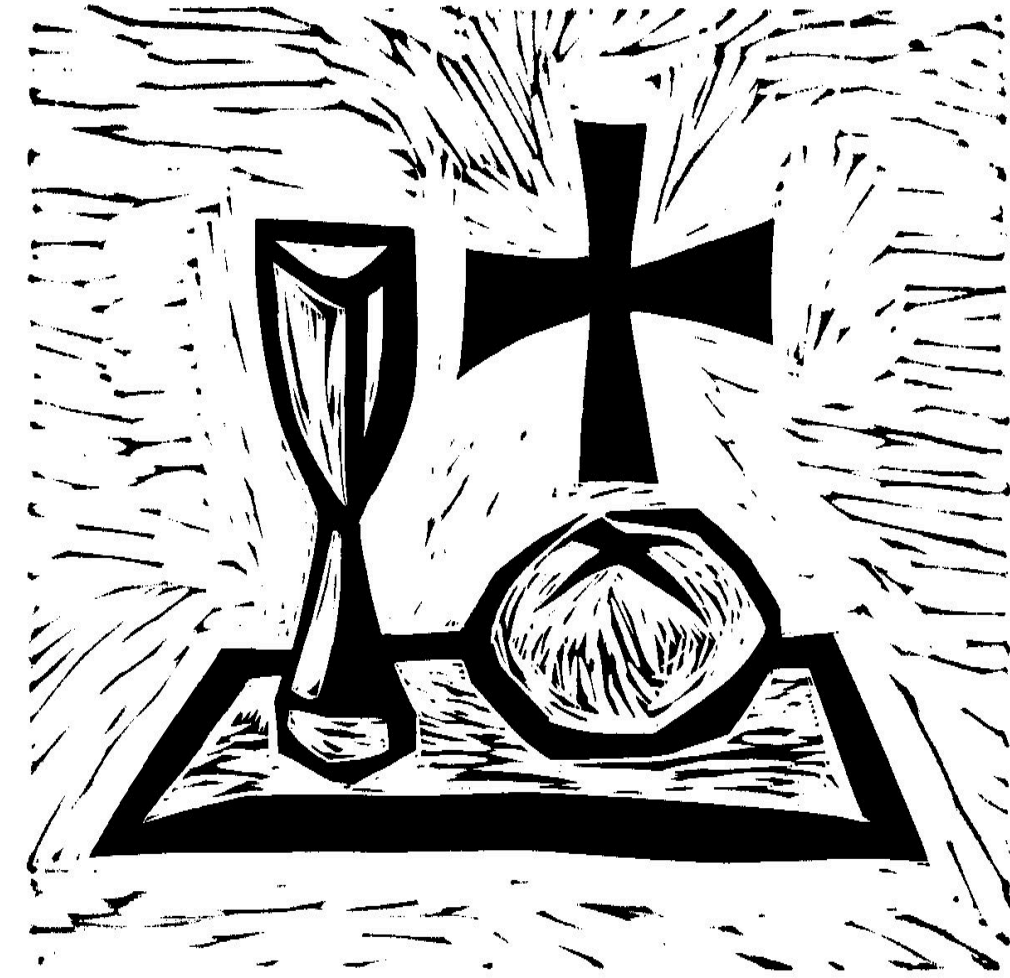
**BCPC Elders:** Patty Ambrosino (Church Grounds), Collin Caldwell (Clerk), Bill Helwig (Worship Committee), Bob Jordan (Building & Grounds), Dan Manley (Community Outreach), Lisa Monnat (Personnel), Melanie Lambert & Diana Ranson (Congregational Life)  
Carol Sussman (Finance/ Treasurer)

### BCPC Staff:

Pastor: Rev. Beth Newman  
Music Director: Kathy Wiggins  
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Custodians: Michael & Daniel Cochran

# Bryson City Presbyterian Church

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### Mission Statement of Bryson City Presbyterian Church

*We seek to follow Jesus Christ as we . . .*

*Engage and encourage one another in worship and fellowship*

*Learn together as we grow in discipleship and*

*Reach out in love.*