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Easter Hill United Methodist Church | March 28, 2024

Rev. Dr. Dale M. Weatherspoon, Pastor

Our Mission is Know Christ and to make Christ Known

MAUNDY THURSDAY, YEAR B

March 28, 2024 | 6:00 p.m. | Foot Washing
The asterisk (*) indicates where we are to stand

CALL TO WORSHIP

Mrs. Linda Wright

Come, you with dirty feet, aching backs, and weary souls.

We come bearing a heavy load of worry, frustration, and isolation.

Come, you who are hungry, thirsty, longing to meet the one who will feed you, body and soul.

We come with emptiness in our stomachs and our hearts, desperate to be filled.

Come to meet Jesus who kneels to wash our dirt and grime, who feeds us with bread and with love that never ends.

We come to receive the balm for our anxiety, the provision for our hunger, the antidote for our loneliness.

Come to receive a new commandment: love one another as Christ has loved you.

We come to embrace this new commandment so that everyone will know we are disciples of Jesus Christ, God Incarnate who came to live and love among us. Amen.

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, October 2023.

WORSHIP IN SONG

p. 2223, TFWS

“They’ll Know We Are Christians by Our Love”

PRAYER FOR THE DAY

Mrs. Linda Wright

You knew your hour had come.

You knew your betrayer.

You knew your enemies.

You knew that the straw vote would not be in your favor.

But you loved unto the end.

Thank you for loving us, even unto death.

Teach us to love like you love.

**Teach us to love each other, to love even our enemies,
like you loved us.**

You took on the form of a servant,
washing the feet of those whom you disciplined.
You defined humility and servanthood.
You are he who was surely sent from God.

Thank you for serving for us.

**Teach us to be servants without fail;
to make humility our constant companion
and to seek no glory for ourselves.**

Remind us when we forget.

On that solemn evening,
you surrounded yourself with friends and enemies,
persons of faith and persons of ill will.

**Help us to be able to always emulate you
when we are surrounded by our friends
and especially when we are surrounded by our enemies.**

You have established a “new commandment”;
help us to live it out in every moment,
in every aspect of our lives,
in our families, in our churches, in our communities,
and throughout the world.

**On this Holy Day, we gather to remember again
the miracle that you performed in our lives.
You have brought us into the marvelous light.
At great cost to you,
you have given us new life and life eternal. Amen.**

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *Unison prayer*

Merciful God,

We confess that we have failed to love
as you teach us to love.

We ignore the needs of our neighbors.

We shy away from those who are hurting.

We meet the suffering of others with trite answers
to distance ourselves from their pain.

We neglect creation, taking advantage of the earth's resources
without caring for it in return.

We fail to love ourselves as you love us,
tending our own pain and distress by numbing our feelings
instead of drawing close to you, the source of our well-being.

Forgive us, we pray.

Free us to joyfully follow you into a life of love and service,
building a world in which all creation can flourish.

Offer silent prayers of confession.

One: Receive this good news:

Jesus who comes to us, washes our feet,
and invites us to sit at the table,

is the source of our salvation,

saving us from our sins

and reconciling us to God.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

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Glory to God. Amen.

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WORSHIP IN SONG

p. 618, UM Hymnal

“Let Us Break Bread Together”

SCRIPTURE **John 13:1-17, 34-35**

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INVITATION TO FOOT OR HAND WASHING

Pastor Dale

REFLECTION

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FOOT OR HAND WASHING

WORSHIP IN SONG

p. 605, UM Hymnal

“Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters”

GREAT THANKSGIVING (Communion)

BOW pages 64-65

PASSING THE PEACE

CLOSING SONG

p. 432, UM Hymnal

“Jesu, Jesu”

BENEDICTION



JOIN US!!!

THE LAST SEVEN WORDS

FRIDAY, MARCH 29 | 12P-2P

in-person and live streaming on Facebook

THE GOOD FRIDAY PREACHERS ARE:

Rev. Bobby Jones, Rev. Dr. D. Mark Wilson,
Rev. Dr. Debbie Weatherspoon, Rev. Dr. Theon
Johnson III, Rev. Carol Estes, Rev. Dr. Carieta
Cain Grizzell and Rev. Ron Swisher

**GOOD
FRIDAY**

*West County Circuit
Good Friday Service*

MARCH 29, 2024

7PM

EL SOBRANTE UMC
5151 ARGYLE RD.

Zoom link:

shorturl.at/bioKO



EASTER HILL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Invites you to

Easter
Sunrise Service

MARCH 31

6 a.m. worship

In-person attendance only

HE IS RISEN

CELEBRATE THE RESURRECTION

MARCH 31

10 a.m. worship

In-person attendance and live streamed on Facebook

3911 Cutting Boulevard, Richmond, California 94804

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STATEMENT OF WELCOME

All creation is of sacred worth. All humans are sacred images of God. Easter Hill United Methodist Church affirms, without reservation, Jesus' life, and ministry of unconditional love. As an inclusive and nurturing family of families, Easter Hill will continue to welcome and offer hospitality to all persons regardless of age, race, gender orientation, religious, economic, educational, or social status.



THE LAST SUPPER