First Parish in Concord Maundy Thursday, April 17, 2025

Prelude: Jesus bleibet meine Freunde by J.S. Bach Da Jesus an dem Kreuze Stund by Johann Pachelbel Herzlich thut mich verlangen by Johannes Brahms Simon Andrews, Organist

Welcome & Call to Worship: Rev. Elizabeth M. Ide

Opening Hymn #1: "May Nothing Evil Cross this Door"

Chalice Lighting: "In the Holy Presence" by Phoenix Bell-Shelton Biggs

Reading: Mark 14: 12-21 — Doug Hardy

Unison Prayer of Confession

Silence

Assurance of God's Love

Anthem: Ubi Caritas by Jacques Berthier - First Parish Choir

Translation: Where there is charity and love, God is there.

Reading: Mark 14: 22-25 — Doug Hardy

Homily: Rev. Elizabeth Ide

Lord's Prayer: Rev. Elizabeth Ide & Beth Norton

Our Father *Eternal Spirit* Who art in heaven *Who are in all the earth* Hallowed be thy name *Holy is your truth* Thy kingdom come *May your wisdom come* Thy will be done Your circle be one
On earth as it is in heaven uniting heaven and earth.
Give us this day our daily bread. Give us today a nurturing spirit.
And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us Heal through us as we ourselves are healed
Lead us not into temptation. Lead us into Fullness of life.
But deliver us from evil. And liberate all that is good.
For thine is the Kingdom, the power and the glory. For the Wisdom, the Presence, and Goodness are yours.
All: Now and forever. Amen.

Hymn #406: "Let Us Break Bread Together"

Invitation to Communion: Rev. Elizabeth Ide

Distribution of Bread & Cup

Communion Interlude: One Bread, One Body by John Carter

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Passing the Peace

Closing Words & Unison Benediction:

Go out into the world in peace Have courage Hold on to what is good Return to no person evil for evil Strengthen the faint-hearted Support the weak Help the suffering Honor all beings

Closing Hymn #265: "O Sacred Head Now Wounded"

Following our service, you are welcome to come forward for a closer experience of our communion silver.

First Parish in Concord

A Unitarian Universalist congregation

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Many people contribute to making our worship services a smooth and meaningful experience, both in person and on Zoom. Thank you to the many volunteers who give generously of their time including the First Parish Choir, flower committee, ushers, and Zoom chat hosts. Thanks also to our staff team:

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