



Maundy Thursday

DEAR PACRC,

On This day of Holy Week, we remember
“Maundy Thursday.”

What is Maundy Thursday?

“Maundy” is an abbreviation of “Mandatum” in Latin which means “command.”

This command refers to Jesus’ command in John 13 “To love one another”

Jesus institutes the Lord’s Supper as a visible sign of his love for his followers until he comes again.

He also shows his disciples how costly love is: Christ humbled himself to wash the feet of his disciples because he came to serve, not be served.

Maundy Thursday foreshadows this costly love of Christ.

And he commands us to follow him into that costly love.

Consider the following practices as a way to engage this day of Holy Week with intention.

The Peace of Christ be with you,
Pastor Annie

Maundy Thursday

PRACTICE

Consider an act of service you can do as a family for one another or for your local community.

Can you volunteer with Streetlife Ministries?

Cook a meal and bring to a neighbor?

Help clean up a mess that doesn't belong to you?

Share a communion meal as a family and read the words of institution in 1 Corinthians 11:23-26?

Let the Spirit guide you towards following Jesus into actions of love for others that you are in community with.

MEDITATE

"I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another."

JOHN 13:34

READ

Psalm 116

John 13

PRAY

**Eternal God, in the sharing of a meal
your son established a new covenant for all people,
and in the washing of feet**

he showed us the dignity of service.

Grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit

these signs of our life in faith

may speak again to our hearts,

feed our spirits, and refresh our bodies. Amen.