# Westminster Presbyterian Church March 28, 2024 @ 6:00 p.m. Live Streaming and In Person Maundy Thursday Tenebrae- Taize, Service of the Shadows

#### **Prayer of Preparation**

Ann Weems

#### Kneeling in Jerusalem

Eat. Drink. Remember who I am so you can remember who you are and tell others so that all God's people can live in communion...in holy communion. Amen!

# Gathering in the Presence of God

**Taize Gathering Music** 

In God Alone

GTG 814

In God alone my soul can find rest and peace, in God my peace and joy.
Only in God my soul can find its rest, find its rest and peace.

Welcome Pastor Eddie

This year there is much darkness and shadow in our lives. But we Christians know that God's Light cannot be extinguished. If you are reading this at home, light six tea candles and put them out at the appropriate time, because nothing can keep us from the light of Christ.

Call to Worship

Matthew 26:17-19

**Pastor Charles** 

Taize Song

Bless the Lord

GTG 544

& Lighting of the Christ Candle

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's holy name. Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life.

Barbara Best

Unison Prayer: O God, help us to consider how we betray others, how we abandon them in their time of need, and think of ourselves first.

Candle extinguished - The Candle of Betrayal

**Taize Song** 

O, Lord, Hear My Prayer

GTG 471

O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call, answer me. O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and listen to me.

The Shadow of

Luke 22:39-44

David Norton

Inner Agony

Unison Prayer: O God, help us to awaken to how we fall deaf to the pain and grief that saddens the heart and minds of our neighbor.

Candle extinguished - The Candle of Inner Agony

**Taize Song** 

Stay With Me

GTG 204

Stay with me; remain here with me; watch and pray.

Watch and pray.

The Shadow of

Matthew 26:45-50

Marge Egger

Loneliness

Unison Prayer: O God, help us to consider how we seek to shut-out being close to others when they feel discouraged and lonely.

Candle extinguished - The Candle of Loneliness

Taize Song

# Our Darkness Is Never Darkness in Your Sight

GTG 678

Our darkness is never darkness in your sight.

The deepest night is clear as the daylight.

The Shadow of Accusation

Matthew 26:59-68

Silvia Ritchie

Unison Prayer: O God, help us to consider how we are cruel to others, how we malign and slander others and blame.

Candle extinguished - The Candle of Accusation

Hymn

Ah Holy Jesus v. 1-2

GTG 218

#### Ritual of Handwashing

As in the tradition of the Seder, the Ushers will come down each aisle distributing cleansing cloth that you may wash your hands before receiving Holy Communion.

# The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Taize Song of **Preparation** 

Eat This Bread

GTG 527

Eat this bread; drink this cup; come to me and never be hungry. Eat this bread; drink this cup; trust in me and you will not thirst.

The Invitation to the Lord's Table

The Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord

Let us give thanks and praise.

It is right to give thanks and praise

Great is the mystery of our faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

The Lord' Prayer

The Words of Institution

# Sharing the Bread and the Cup

You are invited to partake of the Lord's Supper in two ways; by intinction - selecting each element, bread and juice, from individual trays or the communion kit

The Shadow of

Matthew 26:69-75

Deb Norton

Desertion

Unison Prayer: O God, help us to consider how we turn our backs away, hide ourselves and neglect to guard those in need.

Candle extinguished - The Candle of Desertion

**Taize Song** 

Wait for the Lord

GTG 90

Wait for the Lord, his day is near Wait for the Lord, be strong take heart

The Shadow of

Mark 15:12-20

Joan Velez

Mockery

Unison Prayer: O God, help us to consider how we dehumanize and make fun of others making distinctions among them.

Hymn

### Ah Holy Jesus v.4-5

GTG 218

#### **Christ Candle remains lit**

#### ALL DEPART IN SILENCE

#### **WORSHIP TEAM**

Pastor Eddie Jusino
Liturgist: Rev. Charles Gilmore
Readers: Barbara Best, David Norton, Marge Egger,
Silvia Ritchie, Deb Norton, Joan Velez
Music Director: David Libby
The Westminster Choir
AV Tech: Melissa Schrock and Blue Jade

Thank you to Phil Franz for baking the communion bread this month.