BETHESDA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

<u>6:30 p.m. 14 April 2022</u> <u>Holy Thursday</u>

ENTRANCE

Greeting*: Return to the Lord, God of all mercies, for a feast of love has been prepared for his own.

I will bless the Lord at all times. His praise shall continually be in my mouth.

O taste and see the goodness of the Lord;

Happy are they who take refuge in God.

O magnify the Lord with me,

And let us exalt God's name together.

Song: 432 "Jesu, Jesu"

Prayer: 283 "Holy Thursday"

Prayers of Confession and Pardon:

My brothers and sisters, Christ shows us his love by becoming a humble servant. Let us draw near to God and confess our sin in the truth of his Spirit.

A brief silence for individual reflection.

Merciful God, we have not loved you with all our heart and mind and strength and soul. **Lord have mercy.**

We have not loved our neighbors as you have taught us. **Christ have mercy.**

We have not fully received the saving grace of your word and life. **Lord have mercy.**

May the Lord have mercy upon us, forgive and heal us by his steadfast love made known to us by the passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen. Thanks be to God.**

(2) PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

First lesson: Exodus 12:1-14

Psalter: (Insert: Read responsively) Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19

Second lesson: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Song: 294 "Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed"

Gospel lesson: John 13:1-17, 31b-35

Sermon: "Together"

Joys, concerns, prayers

Footwashing/handwashing*:

Songs: 618 "Let Us Break Bread Together"; 624 "Bread of the World"

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ.

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A new commandment I give to you: Love one another as I have loved you.

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<u>THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION (P. 15ff)</u> <u>All are welcome</u>

SENDING FORTH

Song: 288 "Were You There"

Dismissal with Blessing**:

Go forth in peace to talk the way

of his cross and resurrection.

We are sent in the name of the Lord.

May Jesus Christ, who was put to death for our sins, bless you and keep you.

Amen.

May Jesus Christ, who was raised to life for our salvation, let light shine upon you.

Amen.

May Jesus Christ be your life and peace, now and for ever.

Amen. Thanks be to God.

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