Maundy Thursday

April 9th 2020



**Introduction**

Welcome to this time of worship as together we remember a night like no other; a night when heaven held its breath to see if Jesus would go through with it, would see his mission through to its shocking climax.

This is the night Jesus spoke with heavy heart about the pain of separation, yet carried on regardless knowing what was about to happen.

**Prayer 1** *(John Birch 2016)*

Your love

flows like a stream

into the ocean of your Grace.

Your love

encircles this world,

displays your faithfulness.

Your love

is patient and kind,

brings wholeness and true peace.

Your love

is all we desire to heal our brokenness.

As all things pass and fade away

love remains eternally

**Hymn**

As the Deer

**Reading**

John ch 13 v 1-15

**Reflection**

Wash my Feet

**Hymn**

Come as you are

**Prayer 2** (look at painting by Sieger Koder)

Creator God, we thank and praise you because you do not hold back from loving us;

you took the risk of conceiving humankind and, in your generosity, gave us all that we need,

asking of us only that we love you and one another.

*Lord who kneels and washes our feet, teach us to love and serve.*

Saviour God, we thank and praise you because you do not hold back from loving us;

you took the risk of sharing our human life and, in your generosity, gave that life for us,

asking of us only that we love you and one another.

*Lord who kneels and washes our feet, teach us to love and serve*

Spirit of God, we thank and praise you because you do not hold back from loving us;

you take the risk of going unnoticed as you live and move in our lives and world

asking of us only that we open ourselves to your power.

*Lord who kneels and washes our feet, teach us to love and serve*

**Hymn**

From Heaven you Came

**Prayer**

“And when they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.”

Lord, help us to go out with you, to journey with you, to follow you,

allowing your love to heal and transform us and through us your world. **Amen**

Image

*The Washing of the Feet* by Sieger Koder

Prayer 2 taken from

*Open with God*

by Christine Odell *©* 2004 Inspire, Peterborough