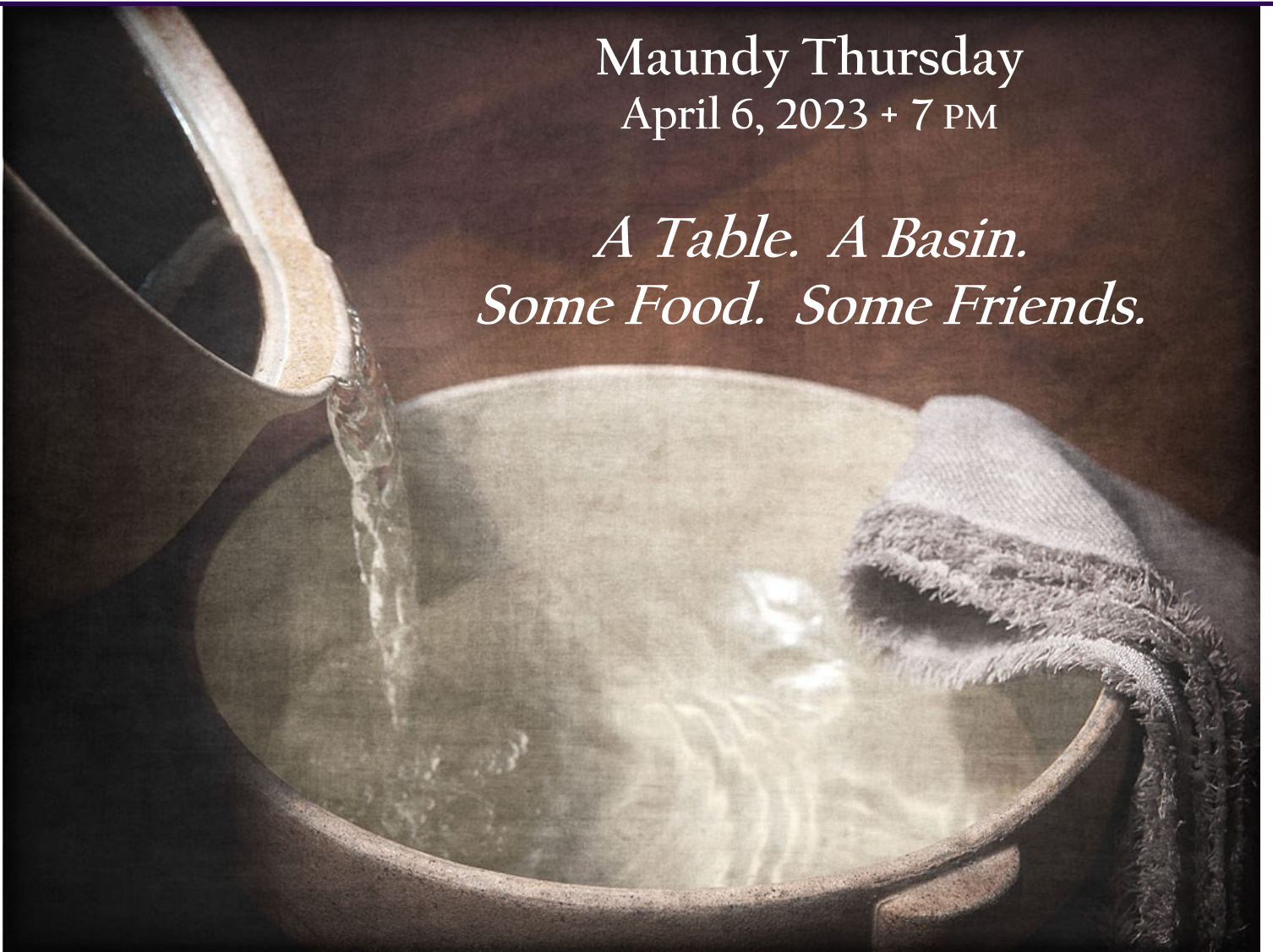


Maundy Thursday

April 6, 2023 + 7 PM

*A Table. A Basin.
Some Food. Some Friends.*



On **Maundy Thursday**, named for the command or “mandate” Jesus gave the disciples to love one another, we gather to remember Jesus’ example of servanthood and to celebrate the Lord’s Supper. The worship service concludes with the ancient practice of stripping the altar table as a dramatic demonstration of Jesus’ abandonment during the events of this night and Good Friday. Our gathering this evening begins a three-day continuous worship service called the Triduum (“three days”), including Good Friday and concluding on the evening of Holy Saturday.

Welcome to The United Methodist Church of Berea!

As followers of Jesus Christ, who reveals a God whose love knows no boundaries, we are committed to welcoming and affirming every person as a beloved child of God. Every person—of every sexual orientation, gender identity, ethnicity, age, economic status, health, ability, or any other identifying label—is welcome to participate fully in our ministries and life together as church. We hope The United Methodist Church of Berea will become a home for you, your family, and your friends as together, in our relationship with God, with each other, and with all creation, **we make and mature disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.**

Join us in worship, this week and every week:

Sunday at 9AM in-person in the Sanctuary and online (www.facebook.com/umcberea/live)

Sunday at 11AM in-person in Wesley Hall

Monday—Friday at 9AM (Morning Prayer) via Zoom
(1-888-788-0099, meeting id: 518 014 483; passcode: 170)

We Gather as God's Children

Prelude

O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

Thomas J. Williams

+ Call to Worship

+ Hymn

The Gift of Love

UMH 408

+ Prayer

We Grow in God's Word

Leader: With disciples of every time and place, let us listen for the word of God among us.

People: *Our ears and hearts are open.*

First Lesson—John 13.1-7, 12-16, 34-35 (CEB)

Leader: The word of God for the people of God.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Washing of Hands

Hymns

*Jesu, Jesu
Make Me a Servant
Servant Song*

UMH 432
TFWS 2176
TFWS 2222

Second Lesson—Matthew 26.17-25 (CEB)

Leader: The word of God for the people of God.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Invitation to the Table

Giving Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Choir Anthem

Lamb of God, What Wondrous Love

Russell A. Kane and Allan Robert Petker
arr. Allan Robert Petker

The Great Thanksgiving

Third Lesson - Matthew 26.26-29 (CEB)

The Lord's Prayer

Sharing the Bread and Cup

Hymn

One Bread, One Body

UMH 620

Prayer following Communion

Fourth Lesson—Matthew 26.30-34 (CEB)

Stripping the Altar

***Our worship continues tomorrow, on Good Friday.
Join us at Noon at the Kiwanis Pavilion at Coe Lake
for our Berea Community Crosswalk
and at 7 PM here in the Sanctuary as we continue this sacred story.***