

**TRINITY UNITED CHURCH
PETERBOROUGH, ONTARIO**

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**We acknowledge that we meet and live
on the traditional territories of the
Mississauga Anishinaabe People.**

**We give thanks for their care for the land
over thousands of years and
for their deep spirituality and
honouring of the Creator and the creation.**

**May we live with respect in God's creation
and in harmony with our neighbours.**



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Maundy Thursday

Welcome to all.

*May this time of worship touch our hearts and minds
and offer hope and promise for the days to come*

WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

I THIS JEWISH LORD

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Tonight we gather.
Tonight we remember.

**People: We remember friends at table,
we remember water splashing
over dusty feet.
we remember bread and wine,
we remember betrayal.**

Leader: The supper.....
....all people will be free!

SCRIPTURE READING: Exodus 6: 2-8, 10-11

LITANY OF LIBERATION:

Voice 1: Our ancestors in faith
began the process of liberation
when they stopped *asking* to be freed
and began *demanding* it.

Voice 2: In every freedom struggle,
everywhere and everywhen,
God is with us, yearning for justice.

Shouting with righteous anger:

Piano: Let my people go!
Pulpit: Liberté, égalité, fraternité!

Piano: Give me liberty or give me death!
Pulpit: I have a dream: we shall overcome!
Piano: The people, united, will never be defeated!
Voice 1: What do we want?
All: Peace!
Voice 2: When do we want it?
All: Now!
Piano: Bread, not bombs! Bread, not bombs!
Pulpit: Power to the people!
Piano: Votes for women!
All: Let my people go!

Silence

Voice 1: In the very roots...
...struggle for justice.
Voice 2: Just as God was with...
...God parted the Red Sea.
Voice 1: Just as God was with...
...turned the tables.
Voice 2: So God is with us...
...passionately of God's goodness.

HYMN: VU131¹ "If Our God Had Simply Saved Us" (v. 1,3,5,15)
(Dayeinu means 'enough!')

If our God had simply saved us,
merely brought us out of Egypt,
only opened up our prison: Dayeinu!*

Refrain: Dadayeinu, dadayeinu,
Dadayeinu, dayeinu, Dayeinu, dayeinu!
Dadayeinu, dadayeinu,
Dadayeinu, dayeinu, dayeinu!

If our God had kept our feet dry,
kept our heads above the waters,
kept us safely without drowning: Dayeinu! R

If our God had only led us,
only gone ahead to guide us,
given cloud and fire to lead us: Dayeinu! R

But, our God, who holds the banquet,
calls the whole world into freedom:
opens up the new creation: Dayeinu! R

II THE RADICAL SERVANT

INTRODUCTION

SCRIPTURE READING: John 13: 2d-15

HYMN & PRAYER: VU593² “Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us With Your Love”

Refrain: Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love,
show us how to serve
the neighbours we have from you.

Kneels at the feet of his friends,
silently washes their feet,
master who acts as a slave to them. R

Neighbours are rich and poor,
varied in colour and race,
neighbours are near and far away. R

These are the ones we should serve,
these are the ones we should love,
all are neighbours to us and you. R

Kneel at the feet of our friends,
silently washing their feet,
this is the way we should live with you. R

III THE LAST SUPPER

CHOIR: VU130³ “An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare”

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Leader: God of Exodus...
...the gifts of grape and grain.

SUNG RESPONSE: VU148⁴ “Jesus, Remember Me”

**Jesus, remember me
when you come into your kingdom.
Jesus, remember me
when you come into your kingdom.**

Leader: We give thanks...
...come and eat.

**Jesus, remember me
when you come into your kingdom.
Jesus, remember me
when you come into your kingdom.**

SHARING OF COMMUNION ELEMENTS

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION: (in unison)

**On this holy night, O God,
your good gifts catch in our throat –
the bread tastes of exile,
the wine of betrayal.
And yet, you love us!
And, yet, you call us to be the body of Christ!
And, yet, you trust us
to wash feet and turn tables,
to do the work of Christ.
Thank you, God. Thank you. Amen**

IV PREPARATION FOR GOOD FRIDAY

BENEDICTION

Depart in Silence

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