

Holy Thursday Worship

April 2, 2026 7:00 pm

**Denotes Standing, in body and/or spirit*

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Welcome

Communing in the Word ([The Shema/Deut. 6:4-9](#)) All

People: Hear, O Israel: The Lord is our God, the Lord alone.

People: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might.

People: Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart.

People: Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise.

People: Bind them as a sign on your hand, fix them as an emblem on your forehead and write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

Opening Hymn "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" TFWS #2193
(x2)

*Lord, listen to your children praying;
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying,
send us love, send us power, send us grace*

WE PROCLAIM THE WORD OF GOD

***New Testament Lesson:** [John 13:1-17, 31-35](#) (NRSV)

Lector: The Word of God for the People of God

People: **Thanks be to God!**

Message

Dayenu

Pastor Chuck

Special Music

["Jesus Loves"](#)

Zach Williams

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Leader: The Lord be with you

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Leader: ...join in their unending hymn

People: **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Leader: Pour out your Holy Spirit...

Giving of the Bread and Cup

[Luke 22:14-20](#)

Pastor Chuck

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

WE CARRY THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

Sending Hymn

"Sanctuary"
(x2)

TFWS #2164

*Lord prepare me
To be a sanctuary
Pure and holy,
Tried and true.
With thanksgiving
I'll be a living
Sanctuary for You.*

***The Lord's Prayer & Benediction**

Coming Up:

- **Good Friday** April 3rd - Cantada: Sanctuary @ Nichols UMC - 7:30 pm
- **Easter Sunrise** April 5th - 6:30 am @ Great Hollow Lake
- **Easter Service** April 5th - 10:00 am

Join us Wednesday's @ 7:30am for

Wednesday-Wakeup Devotional & Fellowship



[Zoom Link](#)
(Live Meeting)



[YouTube \(https://bitly.com/WWakeup\)](https://bitly.com/WWakeup)
(Recorded Sessions)

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Worship Livestream Zoom link:



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"Growing in the Body of Christ"