



Family Love Feast

Trinity Methodist Church, Jalan Ellis, Kuching
9th April 2020



(This worship format is used to celebrate the Maundy Thursday Worship Service which has to be suspended due to COVID-19)

PREPARATIONS:

- **Objects** – You may place a cross and candle(s) on a table to help people to focus
- **Bread and Cup** – You can either bake a piece of bread yourself or buy from the bakery; A decent cup filled with grape juice (like Ribena)
- **Songs** – You can pick your own appropriate songs, if you are not familiar with the suggested songs.

GREETINGS

One Parent

God invites us to the table.

All are welcome, even those with their own agenda.

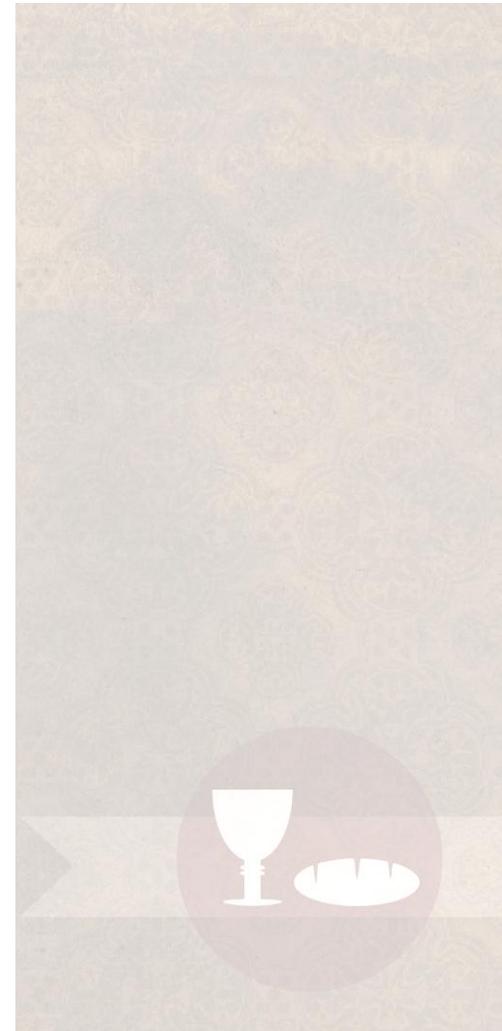
Christ serves us at this meal.

All may partake, even those who feel unworthy.

All are welcome; all are served; all are loved.

SONG: *"There is a Fountain Filled with Blood"*

- 1 There is a fountain filled with blood
Drawn from Immanuel's veins;
And sinners, plunged beneath that flood,
Lose all their guilty stains: (x3)
And sinners, plunged beneath that flood,
Lose all their guilty stains.
- 2 The dying thief rejoiced to see
That fountain in his day;
And there may I, though vile as he,
Wash all my sins away: (x3)
And there may I, though vile as he,
Wash all my sins away.
- 3 Dear dying Lamb, Thy precious blood
Shall never lose its power,
Till all the ransomed ones of God
Be saved, to sin no more: (x3)
Till all the ransomed ones of God,
Be saved to sin no more.
- 4 E'er since by faith I saw the stream
Thy flowing wounds supply,
Redeeming love has been my theme,
And shall be till I die: (x3)
Redeeming love has been my theme,
And shall be till I die.
- 5 When this poor lisping, stammering tongue
Lies silent in the grave,
Then in a nobler, sweeter song,
I'll sing Thy power to save: (x3)
Then in a nobler, sweeter song,
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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(One parent leads, others response)

God shows great love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us.
Let us then confess our sins in penitence and faith.

**Merciful God, our maker and our judge,
we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
and in what we have failed to do:
we have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves'
we repent, and are sorry for all our sins.
Father, forgive us.
Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Almighty God,
who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith,
pardon you and set you free from all your sins,
strengthen you in all goodness
and keep you in eternal life,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

SCRIPTURE READING

“Luke 22:14-23”

(One family member reads even numbered verses, others read odd-numbered verses)

PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE *(Responsively)*

One in heart, one in mind, one in you, Holy Spirit,
as you move us to pray for the church and the world:

That we may proclaim the gospel boldly:
Hear us, Lord.

That healing may come for people who are sick, and peoples who are torn and weary:
Hear us, Lord.

That many who fear death may overcome it:
Hear us, Lord.

That all who are unclean may receive your cleansing grace:
Hear us, Lord.



That all who are possessed, oppressed, distressed, depressed and downcast may be set free at last.

Hear us, Lord.

That we may love one another, and all your creation, as you have loved us.

Hear us, Lord.

Even so, come and fill this feast, Holy Spirit,
on this night, and every night
until we eat it new at the marriage supper of the Lamb!

**All blessing, honor, glory and power
be yours, Holy Triune God,
now and forever. Amen!**

PRAYER OVER THE TABLE:

(The head of the family leads, others response)

This is the night of love.
And this is the table of love.
At this table, Christ, who loves us, is with us.
He is with us, and we are his. We belong to God.

And so we pray:
**We are yours, all yours, blessed Triune God,
all our lives, all our thanks, all our praise,
all our fears, all our grumbling, all our hesitations,
all our loves, all our joys, all our passions,
we give them all to you, with bodies, and minds and voices.
Yours, all yours!**

PASSING THE BREAD AND DRINK

*You are invited to pass the bread to the person on your right, saying,
“[Name], here is bread for the journey. May it nurture and strengthen you.”*

*You are invited to pass the cup to the person on your left, saying,
“[Name], be refreshed in your mind, body, and spirit.”*



SONG “*Only Trust Him*”

1 Come, every soul by sin oppressed,
 there's mercy with the Lord,
 and He will surely give you rest
 by trusting in His word.

Refrain: Only trust Him, only trust Him,
 only trust Him now;
 He will save you, He will save you,
 He will save you now.

2 For Jesus shed His precious blood
 rich blessings to bestow;
 plunge now into the crimson flood
 that washes white as snow. [Refrain]

3 Yes, Jesus is the truth, the way,
 that leads you into rest;
 believe in Him without delay,
 and you are fully blest. [Refrain]

4 Come, then, and join this holy band,
 and on to glory go,
 to dwell in that celestial land
 where joys immortal flow. [Refrain]

DISMISSAL (*Together*)

Serve your God with patience and passion.
Be deliberate in living out your faith.
Be steadfast in celebrating the Spirit's power.
And may peace be your way of the world. Amen.

