HANDWASHING & SERVICE OF TENEBRAE
Pullen Memorial Baptist Church
April 9, 6:30 p.m. – Maundy Thursday

Preparation for Worship
We invite you to participate in a handwashing ritual in your home. As Jesus washed his disciples’ feet to demonstrate his love and devotion toward them, washing our hands has become a simple, yet essential act of care for one another during the pandemic. To prepare, grab some soap, a towel, a large bowl and something that can serve as a pitcher. Fill the pitcher with warm water and set all the items on a small table or flat surface in your worship space. If you would like, include a hand cream, lotion or essential oil to offer a little extra care to hands that have become dry with frequent washing and sanitizing.

The Light of Presence
Lighting a candle signifies the holy presence in, among and through all.

Instrumental Prelude

What Wondrous Love Is This
Appalachian Folk Hymn

Hymn
Will You Let Me Be Your Servant
BEACH SPRING

1. Will you let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to you;
2. I will hold the Christ-light for you in the night-time of your fear.
3. Will you let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to you;

pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant, too?
I will hold my hand out to you, speak the peace we long to hear.
pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant, too?

We are pilgrims on a journey; we are trav’lers on the road.
I will weep when you are weeping, when you laugh, I’ll laugh with you;
When we sing a song united, we shall find such harmony,

We are here to help each other walk the mile and bear the load.
I will share your joy and sorrow, till we’ve seen this journey through.
born of all we’ve known together, of great love and agony.

Gospel Reading

John 13:3-5, 12, 15

Handwashing

It is the Simple Things
Slats Toole
Tenebrae: The Gathering Shadows

First Reading
Shadow of Betrayal
For betraying our deepest loves and highest principles
Have mercy on us, O God.

Second Reading
Shadow of Denial
For denying you when it seems expedient to do so
Have mercy on us, O Christ.

Third Reading
Shadow of Injustice
For turning our back on the injustices all around us
Have mercy on us, O God.

Fourth Reading
Shadow of Misplaced Loyalty
For shifting our loyalties when we become desperate for a solution
Have mercy on us, O Christ.

Fifth Reading
Shadow of the Cross
Leader: Now let us take up our cross
People: Have mercy on us, O God.

Meditative Song
Were You There
Spiritual

Worship Leaders include:
Larry E. Schultz, Minister of Music
Chalice Overy, Associate Pastor
Steve Braun
Ruth Pardue
Serena Buckner
Ted Buckner
Nancy E. Petty, Pastor
Karla Oakley
Irene Lawrence
Nicolas Lira
Brian Crisp
Sarah Bowen

Livestream Technician:
Bryan Lee

*Will You Let Me Be Your Servant* by Richard Gillard, alt. from the *Chalice Hymnal.*