

**Maundy Thursday**  
**Mount Vernon Presbyterian Church**  
**April 9, 2020 – 7:00pm**

**Welcome**

**Prayer of Invocation**

**“We Are One In the Spirit  
(They’ll Know We Are Christians by Our Love)”**

We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord;  
we are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord,  
and we pray that all unity may be restored:

*Refrain*

And they’ll know we are Christians by our love, by our love;  
yes, they’ll know we are Christians by our love.

We will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand;  
we will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand;  
and together we’ll spread the news that that God is in our land: *(to refrain)*

We will work with each other; we will work side by side;  
we will work with each other; we will work side by side;  
and we’ll guard human dignity and save human pride: *(to refrain)*

All praise to the Father, from whom all things come,  
and all praise to Christ Jesus, God’s only Son,  
and all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one: *(to refrain)*

**Prayer of Confession**

Merciful God,

we confess that so often our discipleship has been weak...

when we have failed to serve as Jesus served;

**forgive us.**

When we have failed to love one another as Jesus loves us;

**forgive us.**

When we have been happy to proclaim our devotion to Jesus with  
our lips and then denied him by our actions;  
**forgive us.**

**Merciful God, empower us by your Spirit to be steady and true  
to you in every time of trial; through Jesus Christ our Lord...(Silent  
Prayer...) Amen**

**Assurance of Pardon**

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Reading**                                      John 13: 1-17, 31-35

**Homily**    *Paging Dr. Semmelweis*

**“What Wondrous Love Is This”  
Matthias Young, Tenor**

**Washing of Hands**

*As we wash the hands of our neighbors or ourselves, let us sing together  
“In the Lord I’ll Be Ever Thankful”*

*In the Lord I’ll be ever thankful,  
in the Lord I will rejoice!  
Look to God, do not be afraid.  
Lift up your voices, the Lord is near,  
lift up your voices, the Lord is near.*

**Pastoral Prayer... concluding with The Lord’s Prayer**

**Stripping of the Church**