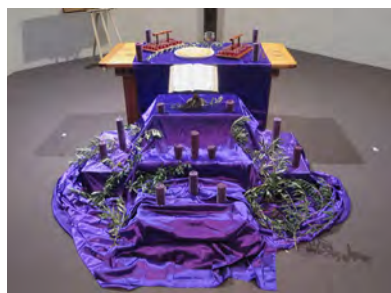


# > Holy Week 2018

## Maundy Thursday



On **Maundy Thursday, 29th March**, we gathered to remember Jesus last evening meal with his disciples. We prepared to listen accompanied by Peter Blair's beautiful classical guitar playing. Ian offered this introduction ...

*Today we continue our worship journey into the ending and new beginning of Jesus Christ's life. Tonight, tomorrow morning and twice on Sunday we remember and meditate on the events of his death and resurrection.*

*Tonight we gather to enter into the story of the last night that Jesus had with his disciples. They came together to enjoy a*

*meal. And here we will remember the way Jesus surprised his disciples by washing their feet and telling them to do likewise in a spirit of humble service. We will wash one another's feet and share a holy meal. Then as the darkness deepens, we will follow Jesus into the night that led to his death.*

After listening to John 13:1-17 and praying, from the Gathering Space we moved to the chapel spaces to have our feet washed and wrote one word prayers on olive leaves which we floated in the Baptismal font for 'we don't know the direction in which our prayers or our journey will take, but the spirit carries them'.



We celebrated Holy Communion using the Prayer of Thanksgiving that Ian had written for the Nourish series, a simple and beautiful prayer in which we responded with the phrases 'Thank you God!', 'Remember me' and 'Come Holy Spirit'.

Turning to Matthew's gospel we participated in a Tenebrae remembrance of Jesus last hours in the Garden of Gethsemane read by Kirsty, Ray and Amelia as they extinguished the candles while we sang the response 'Shadows lengthen into night'.



Ian invited us to share Christ's peace and depart in silence and to return again on Good Friday and Easter Sunday.



You can read our [Maundy Thursday Prayers](#) on our website.