

**MAUNDY THURSDAY  
COMMUNION SERVICE  
APRIL 17, 2025**

**PRELUDE**      *O Sacred Head Now Wounded*      Hans Leo Hassler

**WELCOME**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**HYMN #311**      *Hallelujah, What a Savior!*

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (unison)

Lord, when we remember the Last Supper Jesus shared with his disciples, we acknowledge our lack of servanthood and love. Too often we are quick to serve ourselves or to expect to be served instead of following the example of our Lord to be servants of all. Our love can be selfish and self-serving instead of selfless and focused on the needs of others. Please forgive our failure to do what your Son has commanded us to do. Help us to follow his example of service and to love with his love. We pray in his name. Amen

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**SPECIAL MUSIC**      *Were You There?*  
Sue Mesler, Flute; Nancy Smith, Piano

**COMMUNION**

**COMMUNION HYMN**      *Let Us Break Bread Together*

**SCRIPTURE**      John 13:34-35

**SERMON**      A Witness      Pastor Barksdale Pullen

**HYMN #347**      *And Can It Be?*

**THE BENEDICTION**

**DEPART IN SILENCE with the PEACE of Christ**

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**WELCOME**

This evening as we join in worship, our hope is that each of us will find renewed life, health, and strength in God. We are glad to welcome each visitor and friend, and that you have chosen to hear God's call with this congregation. If you are living in this area, either permanently or for the season, we invite you to join hands in ministry with us by becoming a member of our congregation.

Pastor	Dr. Barksdale Pullen
Organist	Denny Ausman
Office & Worship Admin	Debbie Rostad
Ushers	Bev Brady, Sam Cessna, Marjorie Haun, Linda Wagar
AV/TECH	George Fallenbeck, Gene McPherson, Jim Nuznoff

***SANCTUARY CROSS*** – The Colors of the Cross are a symbolic depiction of the Easter season. For the beginning of the Lenten Season the cross is draped in purple. *The purple cloth remains on the cross from Ash Wednesday to Maundy Thursday representing royalty – the King of kings has come.* The black cloth remains on the cross from Good Friday through Saturday – representing His death. The white cloth is placed on the cross Easter Sunday representing His resurrection – His victory over sin, death and Satan.

**John 13:34-35**

“A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.”

**\*\*\* HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE \*\*\***

- **Good Friday – April 18 – 12:00pm Good Friday Service**
- **Easter Sunday – April 20 – 10:30am Easter Worship Service**

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*First Presbyterian Church (ECO)  
of Punta Gorda  
Maundy Thursday  
Communion Service  
April 17, 2025  
5:00 p.m.*

