



Maundy
Thursday

April 1, 2021

John 13:1-17, 31b-35

Use this resource at home to guide your household's daily devotions.



Pray: Light a candle. Open your devotion with prayer.

O Lord, your disciples were not prepared for the events of your final days. Give us the perspective which they lacked, that we might stay present during this week of sorrows, knowing that you are leading us down the right path, in Jesus' name. Amen.



Read: Read the key verses from Sunday's reading.

"I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." (John 13:34-35)



Reflect: Reflect on the scripture summary.

The disciples were ready for a battle. But on the night of Jesus' arrest, they were unprepared to surrender to truth and love.



Connect: Connect in conversation with others in your household or community.

What was a high point of your day? What was a low point?

Does your worship community practice open communion? Have you been to a church that doesn't allow all to partake? How does that impact the people of that community? What does it say about faith?

What does communion mean to you? Is it a symbol? Something more? What do you think or feel when you take communion?

For the littles: What is your favorite food? All food is a blessing!



Bless: Close your devotion with a blessing.

May our God of community meals and spiritual food fill your heart and soul. Amen.



Do: By acting on what we learn, we make God's word come alive. Do the following activity this week.

Find a recipe for communion bread and bake it. You can share with the community or just eat as a tasty treat! Bonus points if you can find a gluten-free recipe!



Go Deeper: Go to bit.ly/daily-devotions-rcl for the daily readings!

Friday, Isaiah 52:13-53:12; Psalm 22; Hebrews 10:16-25; John 18:1-19:42
Saturday, Job 14:1-14; Psalm 31:1-4, 15-16; 1 Peter 4:1-8; Matt. 27:57-66