

Our **mission** is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

Our **vision** is to lovingly give every person in our community the opportunity to believe in and follow Jesus for life.



Holy Week 2022 – Wednesday, April 13 – Daily Devotional

Verse of the Day

John 13:21-32

Jesus Foretells His Betrayal

²¹ After saying this Jesus was troubled in spirit, and declared, “Very truly, I tell you, one of you will betray me.” ²² The disciples looked at one another, uncertain of whom he was speaking. ²³ One of his disciples—the one whom Jesus loved—was reclining next to him; ²⁴ Simon Peter therefore motioned to him to ask Jesus of whom he was speaking. ²⁵ So while reclining next to Jesus, he asked him, “Lord, who is it?” ²⁶ Jesus answered, “It is the one to whom I give this piece of bread when I have dipped it in the dish.” So when he had dipped the piece of bread, he gave it to Judas son of Simon Iscariot. ²⁷ After he received the piece of bread, Satan entered into him. Jesus said to him, “Do quickly what you are going to do.” ²⁸ Now no one at the table knew why he said this to him. ²⁹ Some thought that, because Judas had the common purse, Jesus was telling him, “Buy what we need for the festival”; or, that he should give something to the poor. ³⁰ So, after receiving the piece of bread, he immediately went out. And it was night.

The New Commandment

³¹ When he had gone out, Jesus said, “Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. ³² If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once.

From Pastor Steve...

It's Wednesday of Holy Week. As we continue this week, Jesus is now challenging the disciples to think critically about their role in the events that are about to take place. Seated around a table sharing a meal, Jesus predicts that one of the 12 will betray him.

The disciples, especially Peter, are shocked and dismayed by Jesus' prediction. "Not me!" Oh, really, Peter? Maybe Judas was the one that would do the betraying first, but by the time it was all said and done, each of the 12 would have their turn.

We can point fingers and wonder who among us will betray Jesus first, or next, but the reality is, as sinners saved by grace, we have all dipped the bread in the cup with Jesus. We all have wondered if it was me. We have all betrayed Him.

This Holy Wednesday, spend time asking the Lord to identify those times and ways that you continue to betray Him in word, thought, and deed. May the grace of God, in the power and presence of the Holy Spirit, in the name of Jesus flow into your life of humble obedience today.