

SO SEND I YOU, INC. 2024 LENTEN DEVOTIONAL

Saint John Baptist Church is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: 2024 LENTEN DEVOTIONAL

Time: March 26, 2024 06:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Every day, until Mar 31, 2024

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**DAY 36
TUESDAY, MARCH 26, 2024**

IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME

Rev. Dr. Naomi Tyler-Lloyd

Luke 22:19-20 And he took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them, saying, “This is my body given for you; do this in remembrance of me.” 20 In the same way, after the supper he took the cup, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is poured out for you.”

This moment in time in the ministry of Jesus teaches us so much about the love of Christ and the cost of discipleship. It sits strategically at the intersection of the pain and pleasure, bane and blessing of which we sing, that are sanctified by the cross. Jesus begins the Passover meal by telling the disciples how eagerly He has desired to have this meal with them—before He suffers! Even with knowing the arduous journey of the immediate future, Jesus has a great desire to have table fellowship with his friends.

However, this meal is more than just one last opportunity to share a Passover meal with those closest to Him, for it is at this meal that the Passover liturgy is changed to New Covenant language. Jesus blesses the bread and breaks it, reminding us all that our blessings are intricately tied to our brokenness. Then He reveals the bread as His own body, given for us. The same with the cup after supper, which in the Passover liturgy was the cup of blessing, and Jesus again reveals it as His own blood poured out for us.

We are charged to remember as we partake. Remember this moment in time and remember my longing to share this meal with you. Remember that I consider you my friends and remember that you are betrayers, deniers, and deserters. Remember my sacrifice and remember to live sacrificially, for we will share this meal again—in the fullness of time and the fulfillment of the kingdom. In the meantime, do not forget to remember.

Prayer:

Gracious God, whose free gift of salvation cost Jesus everything. Help us, as we journey this Lenten season, to pause and remember so that even in the most difficult places, we will experience the profound love of Christ and engage the hope borne out of suffering. In Jesus' Name, Amen