



MAUNDY THURSDAY:

THURSDAY, APRIL 9, 2020 AT 7:00 P.M.

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A liturgy for the dispersed Church of the Redeemer

This Maundy Thursday service is designed so that we can celebrate the first of the big Three Days (Triduum) at the climax of Holy Week together, even while apart.

As usual, you will need this order of service, a computer, and the link for our ZOOM session. Tonight, however, you will need a couple things too. Holy Week isn't a spectacle we observe; it's a drama we enter into. Because Foot-washing and the Garden Watch are at the heart of Maundy Thursday, you will need a bowl of warm water, a towel or two, and a relatively quiet place in your home where you can sit, reflect and pray during the Garden Watch. (If you are the only one in your household, or the only one taking part in Maundy Thursday, there is no reason you shouldn't grab water and a towel too.)

Welcome:

Nate Wall

Priest: This is the day
that Christ the Lamb of God
gave himself into the hands of those who would slay him.

This is the day
that Christ gathered with his disciples in the upper room.

This is the day
that Christ took a towel and washed the disciples' feet,
giving us an example that we should do to others as he has done to us.

This is the day
that Christ our God gave us a holy meal to remember him by,
the feast of the Eucharist, from which we fast this year, in a time of pandemic.

Collect of the Day

Priest: O God,
your Son Jesus Christ
has left to us this meal of bread and wine
in which we share his body and his blood.
May we who celebrate this sign of his great love
show in our lives the fruits of his redemption;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All: **Amen.**

Hymn: #820 (Gather) – “All Who Hunger”

Led by Jill Daley and Mike Daley



1. All who hun-ger, gath-er glad - ly; ho - ly man - na is our bread.
2. All who hun-ger, nev-er stran-gers; seek-er, be a wel-come guest.
3. All who hun-ger, sing to - geth - er; Je - sus Christ is liv - ing bread.



Come from wil - der - ness and wan-d'ring. Here, in truth, we will be fed.
Come from rest-less - ness and roam - ing. Here, in joy, we keep the feast.
Come from lone - li - ness and long - ing. Here, in peace, we have been led.



You that yearn for days of full-ness, all a - round us is our food.
We that once were lost and scat-tered in com-mun-ion's love have stood.
Blest are those who from this ta - ble live their lives in grat - i - tude.



Taste and see the grace e - ter-nal. Taste and see that God is good.

First Reading

Reader: A Reading from the Prophet Isaiah.

Read by Heather Bennett

¹ The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: ² This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. ³ Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. ⁴ If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbour in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. ⁵ Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. ⁶ You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. ⁷ They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. ⁸ They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. ⁹ Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner

organs. ¹⁰ You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. ¹¹ This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the LORD. ¹² For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD. ¹³ The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt. ¹⁴ This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

Exodus 12:1-14

All: **Thanks be to God.**

A moment of silence is observed

Psalm 116

Led by Will Reid



I will lift up the cup of sal - va - tion.

I love you, O God, because you have heard the voice of my supplication,
because you have inclined your ear to me whenever I called upon you. **Refrain**

How shall I repay you, O God, for all the good things you have done for me?
I will lift up the cup of salvation and call upon your name, O God. **Refrain**

I will fulfil my vows to you, O God, in the presence of all your people.
Precious in your sight, O God is the death of your servants. **Refrain**

O God, I am your servant; I am your servant and the child of your handmaid;
you have freed me from my bonds. I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving
and call upon your name, O God. **Refrain**

I will fulfil my vows to you, O God, in the presence of all your people.
In the courts of God's house, in the midst of Jerusalem. **Refrain**

Second Reading:

Reader: A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

Read by David Burt

²³ For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, ²⁴ and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." ²⁵ In

the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.” ²⁶ For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

1 Corinthians 11.23-26

All: **Thanks be to God.**

A moment of silence is observed

Hymn: #409 (Gather) – “Jesu, Jesu”

Led by Jill Daley and Mike Daley

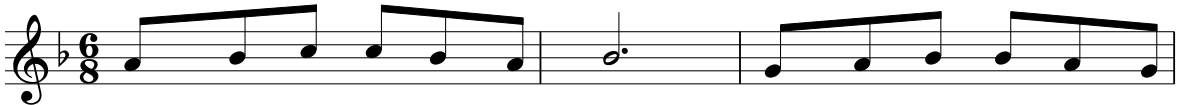
Refrain



Je - su Je - su fill us with your love, show



us how to serve the neigh - bours we have from you.



1. Kneels at the feet of his friends, Si - lent - ly wash - es their
2. Neigh bours are rich and poor, Neigh - bours are black and
3. These are the ones we should serve, These are the ones we should
4. Kneel at the feet of our friends, Si - lent - ly wash - ing their



feet, Mas - ter who pours out him - self for them.
white, Neigh - bours are near and far a - way.
love. All are neigh - bours to us and you.
feet, This is the way we should live with you.

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The Gospel

Read by Susan Haig

Reader: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

All: **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

1 Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. 2 The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon

Iscariot to betray him. And during supper 3 Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, 4 got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. 5 Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. 6 He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" 7 Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." 8 Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." 9 Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" 10 Jesus said to him, "One who has bathed does not need to wash, except for the feet, but is entirely clean. And you are clean, though not all of you." 11 For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, "Not all of you are clean."

12 After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table, he said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you? 13 You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. 14 So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. 15 For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. 16 Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. 17 If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them.

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. 33 Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' 34 I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. 35 By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

John 13.1-17, 31-35

All: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Homily

Nate Wall

A moment of silence is observed

Foot Washing

During their last meal, Jesus washed his disciples' feet, as a practical, and humble act of love. Then told them to keep doing it. So we still do. If more than one person is gathered where you are tonight, take turns washing each other's feet, and toweling them off while the music plays. If you live in a household of one, then soak your feet, and towel them off. In either case, we imagine that we too sit among the disciples in that upper room, and that this simple act of foot washing puts us in touch with Jesus' undefended love, present here with us, in each room, at this moment. Take your time. During this time, we sing "Ubi Caritas"

Hymn: #408 (Gather) – “Ubi Caritas”

Led by Jill Daley and Mike Daley

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "Ubi Caritas". It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature is one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written in the treble staff, and the bass line is in the bass staff. The lyrics are written below the treble staff. The lyrics are: "U-bi ca-ri - tas et a - mor, u-bi ca-ri - tas, De-us i - bi est." The music is a simple, hymn-like melody with a steady bass line.

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Prayers

Led by Susan Haig

The person leading the prayers ends each petition, and all respond as indicated

One: Lord, turn your ear to us:

All: **Hear our cry for mercy.**

Garden Watch

Played by Dan Norman

After his last meal, Jesus took his apprentices with him out to a garden that overlooked the city of Jerusalem. Shortly afterward he went off to pray by himself.

As he prayed he wept and struggled with what would come next, following his arrest.

He begged his friends: “Watch and pray with me.” So we do—we try.

We enter this time of silence and reflection, after the following prayer.

Concluding Prayer

Priest: Sit here while I pray.

The sorrow in my heart is so great, it almost crushes me.

Stay here and keep watch with me.

Father, I have shown your glory on earth;

I have finished the work you gave me.

I have given my disciples your message and the world ... it hated them.

Yet I don't pray that they may be taken out of the world.

I pray that they may be kept from evil.

Sleeping Peter?

Can you not even keep awake for an hour?

Priest: Father, I pray not only for my friends, but for all who believe their words.
I pray that they may be one, just as you and I are one.
Father, the world does not know you.
but I know you and they know you.
So that the world may believe that you sent me,
may they be one...may they be one.

Peter, keep watch and pray.
Don't be drawn by temptation.
The spirit is willing, but, oh, the flesh...
the flesh is weak.

Father, if it is possible...
if it is at all possible...
please take the cup of suffering from me...
take away this cup of suffering from me....
but let it not be what I want.
Let it be what you want.

Take time tonight to linger in the garden, to be still and pray with Jesus. Let yourself be guided by this piece of music. After 1 hour, when the music finishes, we will close with the following prayer. All are then invited to depart in silence.

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take away this cup of suffering from me....
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Let it be what you want.

Are you still sleeping?
Are you still taking your ease?
The hour has come for the Son of Man
to be handed over to sinful people.
Get up, let us go!
Look, here comes the one who is to betray me...

All depart in silence.