

Maundy Thursday

Entrance Rites

The people stand as they are able.

The Processional Hymn

“Go to dark Gethsemane “

#171



Opening Acclamation:

Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be his kingdom now and forever. Amen.**

Trisagion

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Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,

Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.



Salutation

Presider

The Lord be with you.

People

And also with you.

Presider

Let us pray

Collect for Maundy Thursday:

Almighty Father, whose dear Son, on the night before he suffered, instituted the Sacrament of his Body and Blood: Mercifully grant that we may receive it thankfully in remembrance of Jesus Christ our Lord, who in these holy mysteries gives us a pledge of eternal life; and who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

First Lesson: A reading from the book of Exodus (Exodus 12: 1-4, 11-14):

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. 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. If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it.

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. 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. 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.

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

People Thanks be to God

Psalm 116:1, 10-17

- 1 I love the Lord, because he has heard the voice of my supplication, *
because he has inclined his ear to me whenever I called upon him.
- 10 How shall I repay the Lord *
for all the good things he has done for me?
- 11 I will lift up the cup of salvation *
and call upon the Name of the Lord.
- 12 I will fulfill my vows to the Lord *
in the presence of all his people.
- 13 Precious in the sight of the Lord *

is the death of his servants.

14 O Lord, I am your servant; *

I am your servant and the child of your handmaid;
you have freed me from my bonds.

15 I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving *
and call upon the Name of the Lord.

16 I will fulfill my vows to the Lord *
in the presence of all his people,

17 In the courts of the Lord's house, *
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.
Hallelujah!

Second Lesson: A reading from Paul's letter to the Corinthians (11:23-26)

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, 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." 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." 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

People Thanks be to God

Sequence Hymn "Three Holy days enfold us now" WLP #731 *(see insert)*

Gospel Lesson:

A Guided Meditation based on the Gospel of John (13: 1-17, 31b-35)

(Following the meditation, all are invited to remove their shoes/socks and come forward to have their feet washed. For those who have difficulty removing and later putting back on their shoes, you may come forward for hand washing).

Music during foot/hand washing

(Until the foot/hand washing is completed, please remain quiet, praying or singing)

After the washing rites:

Presider Almighty Father, whose Son Jesus Christ taught us that what we do for the least of our brethren we do also for him, give us the will to be servants of others as he was servant of all. **Amen.**

Prayers of the People:

Leader Father, on this, the night he was betrayed, your Son Jesus Christ washed his disciples feet. We commit ourselves to follow his example of love and service.

People Lord, hear us and humble us.

Leader On this night, he prayed for his disciples to be one. We pray for the unity of your church.

People Lord, hear us and unite us.

Leader On this night, he prayed for those who were to believe through Jesus' and Disciples' message. We pray for the mission of your church.

People Lord, hear us and renew our zeal.

Leader On this night, he commanded us to love, but suffered rejection himself. We pray for those who feel rejected and unloved.

People Lord, hear us and fill us with your compassion and love.

Leader On this night, he reminded his followers that if the world hated them, it hated him first. We pray for those who are persecuted for their faith.

People Lord, hear us and give us your courage and peace.

Presider Most Merciful Lord, your love compels us to come. Our hands were unclean, our hearts were unprepared; we were not fit even to eat the crumbs under your table. But you Lord, are the God of our salvation, and share your bread with all who come to you. So cleanse us and feed us as you did for your first disciples, that you may live in us and we may live in you, to the glory of you Name.

Amen.

Exchange of the Peace

Presider May the peace of Christ be always with you

All And also with you.

Offertory

Presider Jesus said, “I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you.”

Offertory Hymn “Faithful Cross, Above All Others” WLP#737 *(see insert)*

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

Presider *The Lord be with you.*

People **And also with you.**

Presider *Lift up your hearts.*

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider *Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

People **It is right to give God our thanks and praise.**

Presider

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. For our sins he was lifted high upon the cross, that he might draw the whole world to himself; and, by his suffering and death, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who put their trust in him

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus:

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**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word

spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world.

In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father:

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified (+) by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and
the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

(Presider breaks the consecrated bread)

Fraction Anthem

Presider *Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us*

People **Therefore let us keep the feast**

Invitation to Communion:

Presider: These are the gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith and with thanksgiving.

Communion Hymn “Bread of the World”

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(Everyone is welcome to come forward for communion in this church)

Post Communion Prayer

Presider: *Let us pray:*

All **Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Presider *The Lord bless and keep you . The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. Amen.*

Stripping of the Altar

Congregation reads Psalm 22 aloud during the stripping of the altar -
Book of Common Prayer, p. 610-612

(Lights are dimmed and presider and deacon divest their robes. The worship vessels and decorations are removed from the altar area with reverence and quiet. The altar is then washed.)

Presider *When the disciples had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives, to the Garden of Gethsemane. Jesus said to his disciples “Could you not stay awake with me one hour? Stay awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.”*



Choral Anthem “God So Loved the World”.

The reserved sacrament is moved to the chapel for the overnight prayer vigil. Ministers and congregation leave in silence.