

Maundy Thursday

Today we commemorate the Last Supper of Jesus Christ, where he washed the feet of his disciples.

St. Thomas Episcopal Church

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Worship, Youth, Discipleship

Holy Eucharist April 6, 2023

The Word of God

Prière à Notre-Dame L. Boëllmann Voluntary

All stand, as they are able, for the entrance of the ministers of the liturgy, and the opening hymn.



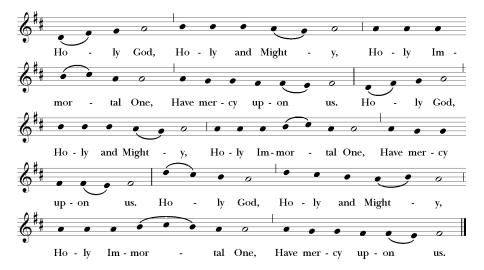
The officiating priest, called the presider, says the following, the people's responses are in bold type.

№ Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. **And blessed God's reign, now and for ever. Amen.**

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

All join in singing the Trisagion, an ancient hymn to God.



The Collect of the Day

The presider introduces the Collect of the Day, a prayer which gathers together the thoughts and prayers of the people.

The Lord be with you and also with you. Let us pray.

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.

THE LESSONS

The people sit. Readings from the Bible are proclaimed and we share in the gift of God's Word through listening to the scriptures.

The First Reading—Exodus 12:1-4, 11-14

A Reading from the Book of Exodus.

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. You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. 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.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 116:1, 10-17 - chanted by the choir.

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.

How shall I repay the Lord * for all the good things he has done for me?

I will lift up the cup of salvation * and call upon the Name of the Lord.

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

Precious in the sight of the Lord * is the death of his servants.

O Lord, 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 the Name of the Lord.

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

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

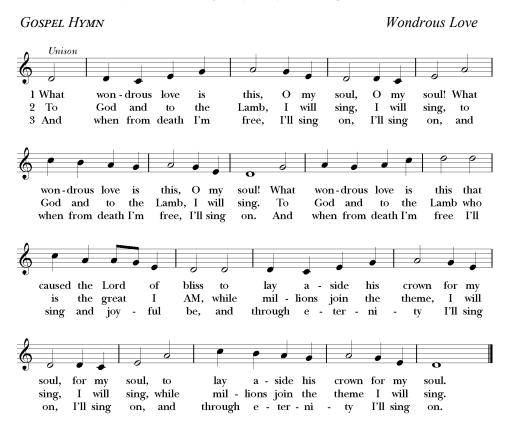
The Second Reading—1 Corinthians 11:23-26

A Reading for the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

For I received from the Lord what I also handed onto 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.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



The Gospel—John 13:1-17, 31b-35

When the gospel is announced the reader says

The ♣ Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to St. John. Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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. The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. 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. He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" 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." For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, "Not all of you are clean." 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? You call me Teacher and Lord - and you are right, for that is what I am. So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them." Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. 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.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, vou also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

The Gospel of our Savior.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

After the Gospel the people sit, and one of the ministers gives the sermon, explaining how the lessons relate to our lives.

THE FOOTWASHING

After the sermon, all stand, as they are able, and one of the ministers addresses the people saying

Fellow servants of our Lord Jesus Christ: On the night before his death, Jesus set an example for his disciples by washing their feet, an act of humble service. He taught that strength and growth in the kingdom of God come not by power, authority, or even miracle, but by such lowly service, and he commanded them to follow his example by washing one another's feet.

Therefore I invite all of you who share in the royal priesthood of Christ to come forward, that we may follow the example of our Master, remembering the new commandment that he gave this night, 'Love one another as I have loved you. By this shall the world know that you are my disciples: That you have love for one another.'

All are invited to serve and be served. The people should remove their shoes and socks before coming forward. Be seated in a chair and the person who has just had their feet washed will serve you. After your feet have been washed remain at the station to serve another.

Anthems during Foot-Washing

Sung by the Choir.

Anthems at the Mandatum

Nicholas White

The Lord Jesus, after he had supped with his disciples
And had washed their feet, said to them:
"Do you know what I, your Lord and Master have done to you?
I have given you an example, that you should do as I have done."

Refrain: Peace is my last gift to you, my own peace I now leave with you;
Peace which the world cannot give, I give to you.

I will listen to what the Lord God is saying,
For He is speaking peace to his faithful people
and to those who turn their heart to Him.

Refrain

Mercy and truth have met together, righteousness and peace have kissed each other. *Refrain*

I give you a new commandment: Love one another as I have loved you. Refrain

By this shall the world know that you are my disciples: that you have love for one another. *Refrain*

Ubi Caritas

Joseph Gentry Stephens

At the conclusion of the foot-washing, one of the ministers says

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters we do also for you: give us the will to be the servant of others as you were the servant of all, and gave up your life and died for us, but are alive and reign, now and for ever.

Amen.

The Prayers of the People

The people stand or kneel, as they are able, and prayers are offered for our own needs and for those of others.

After each petition all join in saying the response

God of love and mercy **Hear our prayer.**

At the end of the prayers the presider adds a concluding Collect.

Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. we are truly sorry and we humbly repent. for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The presider stands and says,

Almighty God ♣ have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

Amen.

THE PEACE

All stand, as they are able, and one of the ministers introduces the peace.

Jesus said to his disciples: "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid."

The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

The people greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Holy Communion

The presider introduces the offertory. An anthem may be sung by the choir as the bread and wine for communion are brought forward. At the start of the hymn, the gifts of the people are brought forward and presented at the altar.





The presider offers the bread and the wine and the gifts of the people back to God, remembering that God is the source of all that we give.

At the Eucharist we are with our crucified and risen Lord. We know that it was not only our ancestors, but we who were redeemed and brought forth from bondage to freedom, from mourning to feasting. We know that as he was with them in the upper room so our Lord is here with us now.

Until the kingdom of God comes let us celebrate this feast.

Blessed are you, Lord, God of the universe, you bring forth bread from the earth.

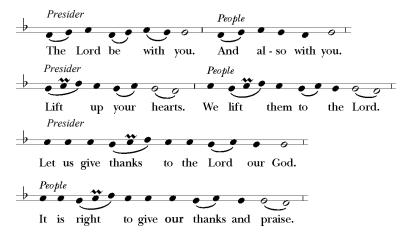
Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord, God of the universe, you create the fruit of the vine.

Blessed be God for ever.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The presider continues



The presider gives thanks for God's faithfulness in creating, sustaining and redeeming humankind.

Then all join in the Sanctus, the song of the angels.



The presider praises God for the salvation of the world through the holy self-giving of Jesus; and remembering the events of the Last Supper, prays that the gifts of bread and wine may become the body and blood of Christ.

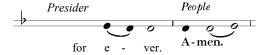
Then follows the Memorial Acclamation.

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The presider prays that all may benefit from Christ's holy sacrifice and be renewed by the presence of the Holy Spirit.

At the end of the prayer the people respond



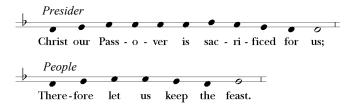
The presider introduces the Lord's Prayer.

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.

The Breaking of the Bread

The presider breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept, then all join in singing the Fraction Anthem.



All are welcome at the altar. Those not receiving communion are invited to come forward for a prayer of blessing (to indicate this, carry your service booklet forward to the altar). For more information about baptism please speak to the clergy.

Мотет

Ave Verum Corpus

Stephanie Martin

Hail the true body, born of the Virgin Mary:
You who truly suffered and were sacrificed
on the cross for the sake of man.
From whose pierced flank flowed water and blood:
Be a foretaste for us in the trial of death.
O sweet, O merciful, O Jesus, Son of Mary.
Have mercy on me. Amen.

A period of silence follows communion.

Then all join in saying

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of Christ, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE SOLEMN PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

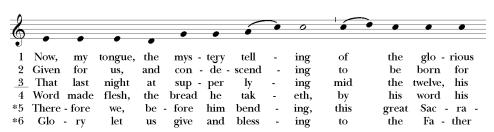
In place of the blessing a Solemn Prayer over the People is used.

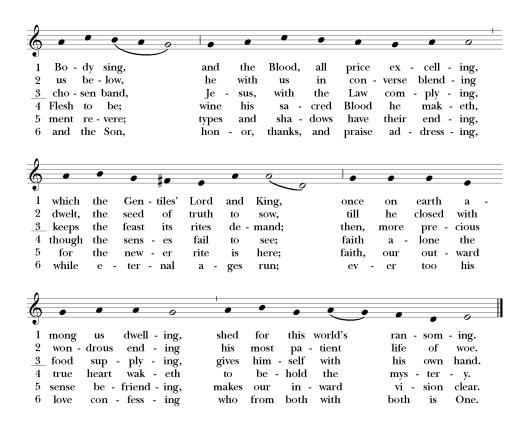
Bow down before the Lord.

All kneel, as they are able. The prayer is said as the presider extends his hands over the people. At the end of the prayer the people respond

Amen.

All stand, as able, and join in singing the following hymn as the sacrament is taken to the altar of repose in the chapel.





The Stripping of the Altar

Psalm 22 - chanted by the choir.

At the end of the service the people depart in silence and may proceed to the chapel, through the double doors to the left of the altar behind the pulpit.

The chapel will remain open as The Watch is kept in silence before the reserved sacrament until Good Friday.

Participants in the Liturgy

Presider: The Rev. Rick Stravers Deacon: The Rev. Trish Harris

Sub Deacon: Karmel Addis
Preacher: Liz Neumeyer
Crucifer: Jodi Nickerson
Lector: Becky Squires
Intercessor: Keith Phillips

Chalice: The Rev. Trish Harris & Jodi Nickerson

Choir: St. Thomas Choral Scholars
Altar Chapter: Bob Harberts & Brenda Hillman

Ushers: Brenda & Roy Hillman

A/V Tech: Laurel Stravers

Holy Week Schedule

Morning (9:00am) and Evening (5:00pm) Prayer daily

Good Friday: Ecumenical Service at First Presbyterian, noon

Stations of the Cross (Church), 3pm Proper Liturgy (Church), 7pm

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Holy Saturday: Burial of Christ Liturgy (Chapel), 9am

Great Vigil of Easter (Church), 7pm

-Reception to follow-

Easter Sunday: Festal Choral Eucharist (w/incense), 10am

The church offices will be closed Monday, April 10 through Friday, April 14.