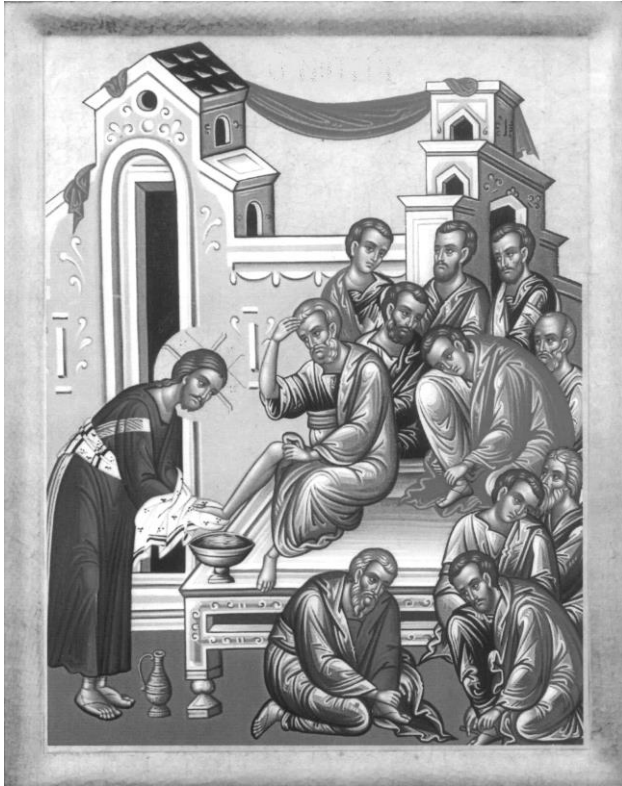


MAUNDY THURSDAY



**Foot-washing, Holy Eucharist,
Procession of the Reserved Sacrament, Stripping of the Altar,
and Gethsemane Watch**

**Church of the Most Holy Martyr
Saint Stephen-in-the-Fields**

March 29, 2018

ORDER OF SERVICE

GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Please stand for the opening hymn.

Hymn 57: *Thou, who at thy first Eucharist didst pray*

SONG 1

The celebrant addresses the congregation:

Celebrant 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 this holy feast, that we who eat this bread and drink this cup may here proclaim his Holy Sacrifice and be partakers of his resurrection, and at the last day may reign with him in heaven.

Gloria (*Common Praise* 686): *New Plainsong Mass*, David Hurd (1950-)

Celebrant Glory to God in the highest,
All **and peace to his people on earth.**
Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant Let us pray.
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.**

Please be seated.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Old Testament Reading

Reader A reading from the book 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 neighbour in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two door-posts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. 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 judgements: 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.

Exodus 12.1-14

Reader The word of the Lord. *Response* **Thanks be to God.**

Psalms 116.10-17



Cantor HOW SHALL I repay the Lord /
All **for all the good things he has done for me?**
I will lift up the cup of sal-va-tion / and call upon the name of the Lord.
Cantor I will fulfil my vows to the Lord / in the presence of all his peo-ple.
All **Precious in the sight of the Lord / is the death of his ser-vants.**
Cantor O Lord, I am your ser-vant; / I am your servant and the child
of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds.

All I will offer you the sacrifice of thanks-giv-ing /
and call upon the name of the Lord.

Cantor I will fulfil my vows to the Lord / in the presence of all his peo-ple.

All In the courts of the Lord's house, / in the midst of you, O Je-rusa-lem.

Epistle

Reader A reading from the First Epistle to the Corinthians.

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, 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. *1 Corinthians 11.23-26*

Reader The word of the Lord.

Response Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation (Common Praise 716)

Please stand, as able. This refrain is sung by the cantor and repeated by the congregation.

Glo - ry and praise to you, Lord Je - sus Christ!

The image shows a musical score for a two-part setting of the refrain. The top staff is in treble clef and the bottom staff is in bass clef. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The lyrics are: "Glo - ry and praise to you, Lord Je - sus Christ!".

Verse (Cantor) I give you a new commandment, says the **Lord**:
Love one another as I have **loved** you.

Gospel

Gospeller The Lord be with you.

Response And also with you.

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John.

Response Glory to you, Lord Jesus 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.

“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, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

John 13.1-17, 31b-35

Gospeller The Gospel of Christ. **Response** **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Homily Mtr Maggie Helwig (*Please be seated*).

Maundy

Celebrant 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 life of the kingdom of God come not by power, authority, or even miracle, but by such lowly service. Therefore, I invite you, who have been appointed as representatives of the congregation and who share in the royal priesthood of Christ, to come forward, that I may recall whose servant I am by following the example of my Master. But come remembering his admonition that what will be done for you is also to be done by you to others, for “a servant is not greater than his master, nor is one who is sent greater than the one who sent him. If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them.”

Those who have been appointed to take part in the Maundy (foot-washing) come forward to sit in the seats set up in the chancel. After their feet have been washed, others may also come forward.

Music during the Maundy



Refrain is sung by the cantor, then repeated by all together. Verses are sung by soloists.

1. Here in Christ we gather, love of Christ our calling.
Christ, our love, is with us, gladness be his greeting.
Let us fear and love him, holy God eternal.
Loving him, let each love Christ in one another. *Refrain.*
2. When we Christians gather, members of one Body,
let there be in us no discord but one spirit.
Banished now be anger, strife and every quarrel.
Christ, our God, be always present here among us. *Refrain.*
3. Grant us love's fulfillment, joy with all the blessed,
when we see your face, O Saviour, in its glory.
Shine on us, O purest Light of all creation,
be our bliss while endless ages sing your praises. *Refrain.*

Tune: UBICARITAS

A. Gregory Murray (1905-1992)

Text: Anonymous, 9th c.

trs. James Quinn (b. 1919)

Following the Maundy, please stand as you are able.

Intercessions as announced

Confession and Absolution

Celebrant Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy;
welcoming sinners and inviting us to this table.
Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Silence is kept. Please kneel or stand for the confession:

Celebrant Most merciful God,

All **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 neighbours as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son 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.**

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

You are invited to share a sign of peace with those near you: a handshake, slight bow, or other greeting. In view of concerns about transmission of illness, please respect the wishes of those who prefer not to shake hands. Hand-sanitizing gel is available for the congregation's use.

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

The gifts are prepared and censed.

Offertory hymn 184: My song is love unknown

LOVE UNKNOWN

Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant Father, we spread this table
to remember the loving sacrifice of Jesus Christ, your Son.
Accept all we offer you this day. Bind us together in his love
and in the love he has commanded us to bring one another;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

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

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks
and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, who for our salvation became
obedient unto death. The tree of defeat became the tree of victory: where life
was lost, life has been restored. Therefore with angels and archangels and all
the heavenly chorus, we cry out to proclaim the glory of your name.

Sanctus (*Common Praise* 689): *New Plainsong Mass*, David Hurd

All **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.**

Celebrant We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling 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 Saviour 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 this very night, when he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, 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, Father, according to his command,

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

Celebrant and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, 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, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all 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 whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

All **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer



Celebrant As our Sa-viour taught us, let us pray,

Music by McNeil Robinson



All Our Fa-ther in heav-en, hal-lowed be your name, your king-dom come,



your will be done, on earth as in heav-en. Give us to-day our dai-ly bread,



For-give us our sins as we for-give those who sin a-against us.



Save us from the time of trial, and de-liv-er us from e - vil. For the king-dom,



the pow-er, and the glo-ry are yours, now and for ev - er. A - men.

Fraction sentence

Celebrant We break this bread,

All **Communion in Christ's body once broken.**

Celebrant Let your Church be the wheat which bears its fruit in dying.

All **If we have died with him, we shall live with him;
if we hold firm, we shall reign with him.**

Celebrant The gifts of God for the people of God.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Agnus Dei (*Common Praise* 690): *New Plainsong Mass*, David Hurd

All **Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: grant us peace.**

Communion

Please come forward for communion.

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive communion. Because of concerns about the transmission of illness, the practice of intinction (dipping the consecrated bread into the wine) is not permitted in this diocese. Drinking from the common chalice is considered safer from the point of view of public health; you are also very welcome to receive only the bread, if you prefer. You may indicate this to the chalice-bearer by holding your arms crossed over your chest; this is also a way to indicate that you would prefer receiving a blessing to receiving communion.

Following communion, the clearing of the altar, and the preparation of the Reserved Sacrament, please stand.

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant Holy God, source of all love, on the night of his betrayal
Jesus gave his disciples a new commandment,
to love one another as he loved them.
Write this commandment in our hearts; give us the will to serve others
as he was the servant of all, who gave his life and died for us,
yet lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

All Amen.

TRANSFER OF THE SACRAMENT

You are invited to kneel, as able.

*The Reserved Sacrament is censed and transferred to the altar of repose in the side chapel.
During the procession, all are invited to sing:*

Hymn 51: *Now, my tongue, the mystery telling*

GRAFTON

On arrival at the chapel, the Sacrament is placed on the altar and censed. The celebrant and assistants kneel for a moment of silent prayer before returning to the church.

STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR

The altar linens and other ornaments of the sanctuary are removed. Cantor and congregation sing alternating verses of Psalm 22:

Psalm 22



Cantor

MY GOD, my God, why have you for-sa-ken[^]me? /

All

and are so far from my cry and from the words of my[^]dis-tress?

All

O my God, I cry in the daytime, but you do not an-swer; /
by night as well, but I find no[^]rest.

Cantor Yet you are the Ho-ly One, / enthroned upon the prais-es of Is-ra^{el}.
All **Our forefathers put their trust in you; /
they trusted, and you de-liv-ered[^]them.**
Cantor They cried out to you and were de-liv-ered; /
they trusted in you and were not put[^]to shame.
All **But as for me, I am a worm and no man, /
scorned by all and despised by the peo-ple.**
Cantor All who see me laugh me to scorn; / they curl their lips and wag their heads, say-ing,
All **“He trusted in the Lord; let him de-liv-er[^]him; /
let him rescue him, if he de-lights in[^]him.”**
Cantor Yet you are he who took me out of the womb, /
and kept me safe up-on my mo-ther’s[^]breast.
All **I have been entrusted to you ever since I was born; /
you were my God when I was still in my mo-ther’s[^]womb.**
Cantor Be not far from me, for trouble is near, / and there is none to[^]help.
All **Many young bulls en-cir-cle[^]me; / strong bulls of Ba-shan sur-round me.**
Cantor They open wide their jaws at[^]me, / like a ravening and a roar-ing[^]lion.
All **I am poured out like water; all my bones are out of joint; /
my heart within my breast is melt-ing[^]wax.**
Cantor My mouth is dried out like a pot-sherd; my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth; /
and you have laid me in the dust of the grave.
All **Packs of dogs close me in, and gangs of evil-doers circle a-round me; /
they pierce my hands and my feet; I can count all my[^]bones.**
Cantor They stare and gloat o-ver[^]me; /
they divide my garments among them; they cast lots **for** my cloth-ing.
All **Be not far away, O Lord; / you are my strength; hast-en to help me.**
Cantor Save me from the sword, / my life from the pow-er of the[^]dog.
All **Save me from the lion’s mouth, /
my wretched body from the horns of wild bulls.**
Cantor I will declare your name to my breth-ren; /
in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.
All **Praise the Lord, you that fear him; /
stand in awe of him, O offspring of Israel; all you of Jacob’s line, give glo-ry.**
Cantor For he does not despise nor abhor the poor in their pov-er-ty;
neither does he hide his face from them; /
but when they cry to him he hears them.
All **My praise is of him in the great as-sem-bly; /
I will perform my vows in the presence of those who wor-ship[^]him.**

Cantor The poor shall eat and be satisfied, and those who seek the Lord shall praise him: /
“May your heart live for e-ver!”

All **All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord, /
and all the families of the nations shall bow be-fore him.**

Cantor For kingship belongs to the Lord; / he rules o-ver the na-tions.

All **To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in wor-ship; /
all who go down to the dust fall be-fore him.**

Cantor My soul shall live for *him*; my descendants shall serve him; /
they shall be known as the Lord's for e-ver.

All **They shall come and make known to a people yet un-born /
the saving deeds that he has[^]done.**

The lights are gradually extinguished, during the singing of

Hymn 190: *Go to dark Gethsemane*

NICHT SO TRAURIG

*There is no formal conclusion to this service. You are invited to spend some time in prayer before
the Reserved Sacrament in the Lady-chapel. When you are ready to leave, please exit in silence.*

Celebrant: The Rev'd Maggie Helwig

Music director: John Gardham

The Good Friday liturgy will take place tomorrow, March 30, at 11 am.

The Easter Vigil liturgy will take place on Saturday, March 31, at 9 pm.

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