



Maundy Thursday

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Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People His mercy endures forever.

Confession of Sin and Absolution

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 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.

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, stands and says

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

Celebrant Lord have mercy.

People Christ have mercy.

Celebrant Lord have mercy.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Collect

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 First Lesson **Exodus 12:1-4, (5-10), 11-14**
Reader **A reading from 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. [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 doorposts 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 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

Dilexi, quoniam

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!

The Epistle 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Reader **A reading from 1 Corinthians**

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: *Ah, holy Jesus, vv. 1,4,5*

The Hymnal 1982 #158

The Gospel John 13: 1-17, 31b-35

The Deacon says

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

People *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.

"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."

After the Gospel, the Deacon says

The Gospel of the Lord

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Rev. Philip Zoutendam

Music Meditation: "O Sacred Head," setting by David Hurd (b. 1950)

Faith Jones, Soprano

Prayers of the People Form IV

Deacon or other leader

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

The Peace

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

The Great Thanksgiving

The people remain standing.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every-where 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:

Celebrant and People

*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.

Then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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,

People and Celebrant

*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

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast.

The Priest invites the people to Communion

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, with thanksgiving.

*Those not able to receive the sacrament in person may wish to pray the following prayer for spiritual communion, taken from **Enriching Our Worship 2**.*

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

God of infinite mercy, we thank you for Jesus our Savior, who feeds us and gives us eternal life. Though I cannot consume these gifts of bread and wine, I thank you that I have received the sacrament of Christ's presence, the forgiveness of sins, and all other benefits of Christ's passion. Grant that we may continue for ever in the Risen Life of our Savior, who with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Post-communion Prayer *(The people stand as they are able.)*

The celebrant says

Let us pray.

The celebrant and people say together

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.**

As the altar is stripped the congregation prays Psalm 22 in unison.

Psalm 22

- ¹ My God, my God, look upon me; why hast thou forsaken me *
and art so far from my health, and from the words of my complaint?
- ² my God, I cry in the day-time, but thou hearest not *
and in the night-season also I take no rest.
- ³ And thou continuest holy *
O thou worship of Israel.
- ⁴ Our fathers hoped in thee *

they trusted in thee, and thou didst deliver them.

- ⁵ They called upon thee, and were holpen *
they put their trust in thee, and were not confounded.
- ⁶ But as for me, I am a worm, and no man *
a very scorn of men, and the out-cast of the people.
- ⁷ All they that see me laugh me to scorn *
they shoot out their lips, and shake their heads, saying,
- ⁸ He trusted in God, that he would deliver him *
let him deliver him, if he will have him.
- ⁹ But thou art he that took me out of my mother's womb *
thou wast my hope, when I hanged yet upon my mother's breasts.
- ¹⁰ I have been left unto thee ever since I was born *
thou art my God even from my mother's womb.
- ¹¹ Go not from me, for trouble is hard at hand *
and there is none to help me.
- ¹² Many oxen are come about me *
fat bulls of Basan close me in on every side.
- ¹³ They gape upon me with their mouths *
as it were a ramping and a roaring lion.
- ¹⁴ I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint *
my heart also in the midst of my body is even like melting wax.
- ¹⁵ My strength is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue cleaveth to my gums *
and thou shalt bring me into the dust of death.
- ¹⁶ For many dogs are come about me *
and the council of the wicked layeth siege against me.
- ¹⁷ They pierced my hands and my feet; I may tell all my bones *
they stand staring and looking upon me.
- ¹⁸ They part my garments among them *
and cast lots upon my vesture.
- ¹⁹ But be not thou far from me, O Lord *
thou art my succour, haste thee to help me.

- ²⁰ Deliver my soul from the sword *
my darling from the power of the dog.
- ²¹ Save me from the lion's mouth *
thou hast heard me also from among the horns of the unicorns.
- ²² I will declare thy Name unto my brethren *
in the midst of the congregation will I praise thee.
- ²³ praise the Lord, ye that fear him *
magnify him, all ye of the seed of Jacob, and fear him, all ye seed of Israel;
- ²⁴ For he hath not despised, nor abhorred, the low estate of the poor *
he hath not hid his face from him, but when he called unto him he heard him.
- ²⁵ My praise is of thee in the great congregation *
my vows will I perform in the sight of them that fear him.
- ²⁶ The poor shall eat, and be satisfied *
they that seek after the Lord shall praise him; your heart shall live for ever.
- ²⁷ All the ends of the world shall remember themselves, and be turned unto the Lord *
and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before him.
- ²⁸ For the kingdom is the Lord's *
and he is the Governor among the people.
- ²⁹ All such as be fat upon earth *
have eaten, and worshipped.
- ³⁰ All they that go down into the dust shall kneel before him *
and no man hath quickened his own soul.
- ³¹ My seed shall serve him *
they shall be counted unto the Lord for a generation.
- ³² They shall come, and the heavens shall declare his righteousness *
unto a people that shall be born, whom the Lord hath made.

The service ends in silence.

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