



Maundy Thursday
April 9, 2020
7:00 p.m.

Maundy Thursday begins what is essentially one three-day-long worship which concludes with Easter worship. Maundy comes from the Latin mandatum novum which means new commandment and refers to Jesus' command to love one another and to repeat the celebration of his supper. We also understand it to be the beginning of the Passion. Because of the continuous nature of the services for the next three days, there will be no benediction at the end of the service.

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Friends in Christ, in this Lenten season we have heard our Lord's call to struggle against sin, death, and the devil—all that keeps us from loving God and each other. This is the struggle to which we were called at baptism.

Within the community of the church, God never wearies of forgiving sin and giving the peace of reconciliation. On this night let us confess our sin against God and our neighbor, and enter the celebration of the great Three Days reconciled with God and with one another.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

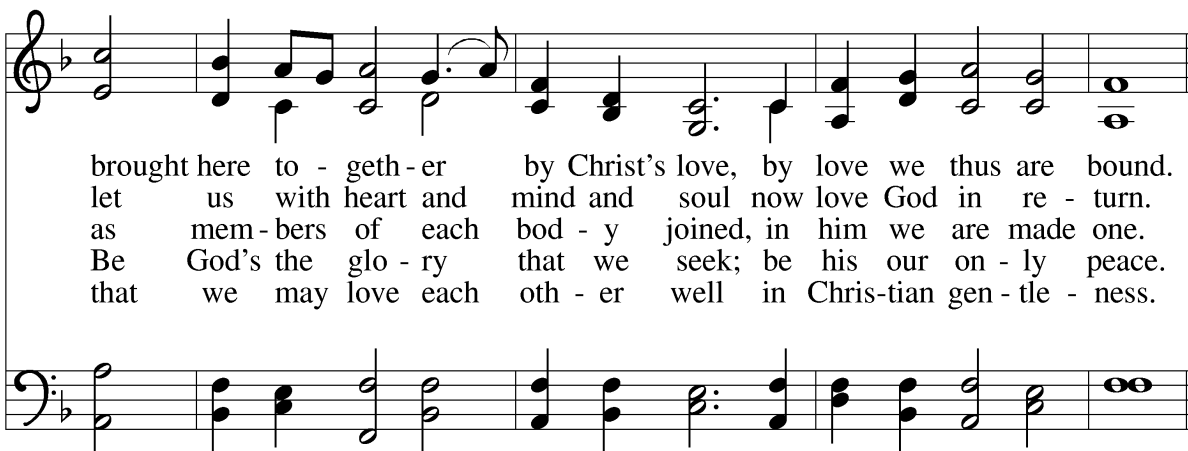
In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

HYMN

"Where Charity and Love Prevail"



1 Where char - i - ty and love pre - vail, there God is ev - er found;
2 With grate-ful joy and ho - ly fear, God's char - i - ty we learn;
3 Let us re - call that in our midst dwells Christ, God's ho - ly Son;
4 Let strife a - mong us be un - known; let all con - ten - tions cease.
5 Let us for - give each oth - er's faults as we our own con - fess,



brought here to - geth - er by Christ's love, by love we thus are bound.
let us with heart and mind and soul now love God in re - turn.
as mem - bers of each bod - y joined, in him we are made one.
Be God's the glo - ry that we seek; be his our on - ly peace.
that we may love each oth - er well in Chris - tian gen - tle - ness.

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GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Eternal God, in the sharing of a meal, your Son established a new covenant for all people, and in the washing of feet, he showed us the dignity of service. Grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit these signs of our life in faith may speak again to our hearts, feed our spirits, and refresh our bodies, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING Exodus 12:1-14

A reading from Exodus.

¹The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: ²This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. ³Tell 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. ⁴If 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. ⁵Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. ⁶You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. ⁷They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. ⁸They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. ⁹Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. ¹⁰You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. ¹¹This 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. ¹²For 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. ¹³The 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. ¹⁴This 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 116:1-2, 12-19

¹I love the LORD, who has heard my voice,
and listened to my supplication,
²**for the LORD has given ear to me
whenever I called.**
¹²How shall I repay the LORD
for all the good things God has done for me?
¹³**I will lift the cup of salvation
and call on the name of the LORD.**
¹⁴I will fulfill my vows to the LORD
in the presence of all God's people.
¹⁵**Precious in your sight, O LORD,
is the death of your servants.**
¹⁶O LORD, truly I am your servant;
I am your servant, the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds.
¹⁷**I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving
and call upon the name of the LORD.**
¹⁸I will fulfill my vows to the LORD
in the presence of all God's people,
¹⁹**in the courts of the LORD's house,
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.**

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

A reading from First Corinthians.

²³For 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, ²⁴and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body that

is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”²⁵In 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.”²⁶For 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.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



We are turn - ing, Lord, to hear you; you are mer - ci - ful and kind -



slow to an - ger, rich in bless - ing, and with love to us in - clined.

GOSPEL John 13:1-17, 31b-35

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹Now 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. ²The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper ³Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, ⁴got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. ⁵Then 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. ⁶He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, “Lord, are you going to wash my feet?” ⁷Jesus answered, “You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand.” ⁸Peter said to him, “You will never wash my feet.” Jesus answered, “Unless I wash you, you have no share with me.” ⁹Simon Peter said to him, “Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!” ¹⁰Jesus 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.” ¹¹For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, “Not all of you are clean.”

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

^{31b}“Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. ³²If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. ³³Little 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.’ ³⁴I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us With Your Love”

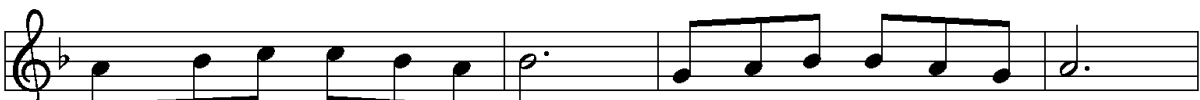
Refrain



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



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



1 Kneels at the feet of his friends, si - lent - ly wash - es their feet,
2 Neigh-bors are wealth-y and poor, var - ied in col - or and race,
3 These are the ones we will serve, these are the ones we will love;
4 Kneel at the feet of our friends, si - lent - ly wash-ing their feet:



Refrain

mas - ter who acts as a slave to them.
neigh-bors are near - by and far a - way.
all these are neigh - bors to us and you.
this is the way we will live with you.

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WASHING

On this night, we have heard our Lord’s commandment to love one another as he has loved us. We who receive God’s love in Jesus Christ are called to love one another to be servants to each other as Jesus became our servant. Our Commitment to this loving service is signified in the washing of feet or hands, following the example our Lord gave us on the night before his death.

You may wash the hands of those who are with you, or, if you are alone, you may wash your own hands while thinking of those you love and care for as a way to remember our Lord’s call to be servants to one another.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

SHARING OF THE PEACE

Share a sign of God’s peace with those who are with you, or send a message of peace via text, email or phone to those you love.

OFFERING

We give thanks to God for the gifts that God provides, and for the gifts that you share with the church. Offerings to the church in these days may be sent through the mail, through automatic withdraw, or through the Tithe.ly app on our website.

OFFERING PRAYER

God of glory, receive the gifts we share and the offering of our lives. As Jesus was lifted up from the earth, draw us to your heart in the midst of this world, that all creation may be brought from bondage to freedom, from darkness to light, and from death to life; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORD

Praise and thanks to you, holy God, for by your Word you made all things: you spoke light into darkness, called forth beauty from chaos, and brought life into being. For your Word of life, O God, we give you thanks and praise.

By your Word you called your people Israel to tell of your wonderful gifts: freedom from captivity, water on the desert journey, a pathway home from exile, wisdom for life with you. For your Word of life, O God, we give you thanks and praise.

Through Jesus, your Word made flesh, you speak to us and call us to witness: forgiveness through the cross, life to those entombed by death, the way of your self-giving love. For your Word of life, O God, we give you thanks and praise.

Send your Spirit of truth, O God; rekindle your gifts within us: renew our faith, increase our hope, and deepen our love, for the sake of a world in need. Faithful to your Word, O God, draw near to all who call on you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is 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 forever. Amen.

STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR

Psalm 22 will be chanted as the altar is stripped.

- ¹My God, my God, why have you for- | saken me?
Why so far from saving me, so far from the words | of my groaning?
- ²My God, I cry out by day, but you | do not answer;
by night, but I | find no rest.
- ³Yet you are the | Holy One,
enthroned on the prais- | es of Israel.
- ⁴Our ancestors put their | trust in you,
they trusted, and you | rescued them.
- ⁵They cried out to you and | were delivered;
they trusted in you and were not | put to shame.
- ⁶But as for me, I am a worm | and not human,
scorned by all and despised | by the people.
- ⁷All who see me laugh | me to scorn;
they curl their lips; they | shake their heads.
- ⁸“Trust in the LORD; let the | LORD deliver;
let God rescue him if God so de- | lights in him.”
- ⁹Yet you are the one who drew me forth | from the womb,
and kept me safe on my | mother’s breast.
- ¹⁰I have been entrusted to you ever since | I was born;
you were my God when I was still in my | mother’s womb.
- ¹¹Be not far from me, for trou- | ble is near,
and there is no | one to help.
- ¹²Many young bulls en- | circle me;
strong bulls of Ba- | shan surround me.

¹³They open wide their | jaws at me,
 like a slashing and | roaring lion.
¹⁴I am poured out like water; all my bones are | out of joint;
 my heart within my breast is | melting wax.
¹⁵My strength is dried up like a potsherd; my tongue sticks to the roof | of my mouth;
 and you have laid me in the | dust of death.
¹⁶Packs of dogs close me in, a band of evildoers | circles round me;
 they pierce my hands | and my feet.
¹⁷I can count | all my bones
 while they stare at | me and gloat.
¹⁸They divide my gar- | ments among them;
 for my clothing, | they cast lots.
¹⁹But you, O LORD, be not | far away;
 O my help, hasten | to my aid.
²⁰Deliver me | from the sword,
 my life from the power | of the dog.
²¹Save me from the | lion's mouth!
 From the horns of wild bulls you have | rescued me.
²²I will declare your name | to my people;
 in the midst of the assembly | I will praise you.
²³You who fear the LORD, give praise! All you of Jacob's | line, give glory.
 Stand in awe of the LORD, all you off- | spring of Israel.
²⁴For the LORD does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty; neither is the LORD's face hid- | den
 from them;
 but when they cry out, | the LORD hears them.
²⁵From you comes my praise in the | great assembly;
 I will perform my vows in the sight of those who | fear the LORD.
²⁶The poor shall eat | and be satisfied,
 Let those who seek the LORD give praise! May your hearts | live forever!
²⁷All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn | to the LORD;
 all the families of nations shall bow | before God.
²⁸For dominion belongs | to the LORD,
 who rules o- | ver the nations.
²⁹Indeed, all who sleep in the earth shall bow | down in worship;
 all who go down to the dust, though they be dead, shall kneel be- | fore the LORD.
³⁰Their descendants shall | serve the LORD,
 whom they shall proclaim to genera- | tions to come.
³¹They shall proclaim God's deliverance to a people | yet unborn,
 saying to them, "The | LORD has acted!"

Trusting that God hears our prayers, we keep these
people and all who are in need in our prayers.

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