



Maundy Thursday
Do this in memory of me...

Thursday, April 9, 2020

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Greeting and Introduction

Gathering Prayer

Minister O God, your Son Jesus Christ left to us the meal of bread and wine in which we share his body and his blood, and the washing of feet through which we share and receive your humble love. This night, although we do not participate in these sacred acts physically, may we be united to you and one another spiritually; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Confession and Absolution

Minister Our Lord Jesus Christ says: 'If you love me, keep my commandments.'
'Unless I wash you, you have no part in me.'
'Let us confess to almighty God our sins against his love,
And ask him to cleanse us.

Silence is kept.

Minister 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.

Minister 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. Amen.

Minister Jesus says, '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 the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

Ministry of the Word

1st Reading: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Reader A reading from the First Letter of Paul 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, 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.

Reader The word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Psalm 116:1, 10-17

I love the Lord, because he has heard
my voice and my supplications.

**I kept my faith, even when I said,
'I am greatly afflicted';**

I said in my consternation,
'Everyone is a liar.'

**What shall I return to the Lord
for all his bounty to me?**

I will lift up the cup of salvation
and call on the name of the Lord,

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

Precious in the sight of the Lord
is the death of his faithful ones.

**O Lord, I am your servant;
I am your servant, the child of your serving-maid.
You have loosed my bonds.**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

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

Reader The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

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

All 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

On this night, he commanded his disciples to love, but suffered rejection himself.
We pray for the rejected and unloved.

Lord, hear us
and fill us with your love.

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

Lord, hear us
and give us your peace.

On this night, he accepted the cup of death and looked forward to the new wine of the kingdom. We remember those who have died in the peace of Christ.

Lord, hear us
and welcome all your children into paradise.

Minister 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.**

Minister As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,
All 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, the power,
 and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Stripping of the Sanctuary

*Matthew 26.30-46 and Psalm 22 are read as linen, vessels and ornaments are removed.
The lights are gradually dimmed & extinguished.*

There is no blessing or dismissal.