

**MAUNDY THURSDAY
HOLY EUCHARIST WITH WASHING OF FEET
Thursday March 28, 2024**

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The Gathering of the Community

PRELUDE Preludes on 'Blessed Jesus, at Your Word' JS Bach

WORDS OF WELCOME

PROCESSIONAL HYMN Now My Tongue the Mystery Telling CP#50
We begin our worship together in community by praising God in song.

1 Now, my tongue, the mystery telling
of the glorious body sing,
and the blood, all price excelling,
which the nations' Lord and King,
once on earth among us dwelling,
shed for this world's ransoming.

3 Word made flesh, by word he maketh
very bread his flesh to be,
wine his blood for whoso taketh;
and if senses fail to see,
faith alone the true heart waketh,
to behold the mystery.

2 That last night, at supper lying,
with the twelve, his chosen band,
Jesus, with the law complying,
keeps the feast its rites demand;
then, more precious food supplying,
gives himself with his own hand.

4 Therefore we, before him bending,
this great sacrament revere;
types and shadows have their ending,
for the newer rite is here;
faith, our outward sense befriending,
makes our inward vision clear.

5 Glory let us give, and blessing,
to the Father and the Son;
honour, thanks, and praise addressing
while eternal ages run,
and the Spirit's power confessing,
who from both with both is one.

APOSTOLIC GREETING AND INTRODUCTION

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

And also with you.

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.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The collect is the prayer appointed for each day that "collects" or brings out the theme of the day or season of the Church year. It summarizes God's attributes as shown in the scriptures for the day.

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 forever. **Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

THE FIRST READING

Exodus 12.1-4,11-14

This reading is typically from the Old Testament (Hebrew Scriptures) which Jesus knew and from which he often referred or quoted.

At the end of the reading.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM

Psalm 116.1,10-17

The psalms are prayers Jesus used and cover every mood of humanity's relationship with God and one another.



Cantor *I love you, O God, because you **have** heard **
the voice of my **sup**-plication,

All because you have inclined your **ear** to me *
whenever I **called** upon you.

Choir How shall I repay you **O** God; *
for all the good things **you** have done for me?

All I will lift up the cup of sal-**va**-tion *
and call u-**pon** your name, O God.

Cantor I will fulfill my vows to you **O** God, *
in the presence of **all** your people.

All Precious in your sight **O** God, *
is the death **of** your servants.

Choir O God, 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 u-**pon** your name O God.

Cantor I will fulfill my vows to you **O** God, *
in the presence of **all** your people.

All In the courts of **God's** house, *
in the midst **of** Jerusalem.

THE SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 11.23-26

This reading, taken from the New Testament, is typically from a letter (epistle) to the early Church, the Acts of the Apostles, or the Revelation of John.

At the end of the reading.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Please repeat the refrain after the Choir and again after the verse.



A new commandment I **give to you**, * that you love one another as I **have** loved you.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 13.1-17,31b-35

This reading is from one of the four Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke and John) which depict the life, teachings, death, resurrection and ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ. We stand for the Gospel reading to show the particular importance placed on Jesus' words and actions.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

At the end of the Gospel.

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

THE SERMON

The Right Reverend Dr. Susan Bell

The sermon directly follows the Gospel because it is to be grounded in the scriptures. It illuminates the scriptural readings and relates them to daily life.

Where charity and love are, God is there. Christ's love has gathered us into one. Let us rejoice and be pleased in Him. Let us revere and love the living God. And may we love each other with a sincere heart. Amen.

The Ceremony of the Washing of Feet

Fellow servants of our Lord Jesus Christ... "If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them."

Representatives from the parish who have been chosen to have their feet washed are asked to come forward first. Members of the congregation are welcome to follow afterwards.

HYMNS DURING FOOTWASHING

Sister, Let Me Be Your Servant

CP#500

1 Sister, let me be your servant,
let me be as Christ to you;
pray that I may have the grace to
let you be my servant too.

4 I will weep when you are weeping;
when you laugh, I'll laugh with you.
I will share your joy and sorrow
till we've seen this journey through.

2 We are pilgrims on a journey,
fellow travellers on the road;
we are here to help each other
walk the mile and share the load.

5 When we sing to God in heaven,
we shall find such harmony,
born of all we've known together
of Christ's love and agony.

3 I will hold the Christ-light for you
in the night-time of your fear;
I will hold my hand out to you,
speak the peace you long to hear.

6 Brother, let me be your servant,
let me be as Christ to you;
pray that I may have the grace to
let you be my servant too.

1 Lord, whose love in humble service
bore the weight of human need,
who upon the cross, forsaken,
worked your mercy's perfect deed:
we, your servants, bring the worship
not of voice alone, but heart;
consecrating to your purpose
every gift which you impart.

2 Still your children wander homeless;
still the hungry cry for bread;
still the captives long for freedom;
still in grief we mourn our dead.
As you, Lord, in deep compassion
healed the sick and freed the soul;
by your Spirit send your power
to our world to make it whole.

3 As we worship, grant us vision
till your love's revealing light
in its height and depth and greatness
dawns upon our quickened sight,
making known the needs and burdens
your compassion bids us bear,
stirring us to ardent service,
your abundant life to share.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

We pray for ourselves and particularly on behalf of others. In our prayers we pray for the universal church, the nation and all who govern, the welfare of the world, the concerns of our community of faith, including those who are in need or suffer, and for the departed. We are reminded in prayer that we are a part of a larger fellowship, the Church - the Body of Christ.

In the power of the Spirit let us pray to the Father through Christ the Saviour of the world.

Father, on this, the night he was betrayed, your Son Jesus Christ washed his disciples' feet. We commit ourselves to follow his example of love and service. Lord, hear us.

And humble us.

On this night, he prayed for his disciples to be one. We pray for the unity of your Church. Lord, hear us.

And unite us.

On this night, he prayed for those who were to believe through his disciples' message. We pray for the mission of your Church. Lord, hear us.

And renew our zeal.

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.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Confessing our sins, receiving forgiveness (absolution) and showing signs of peace to one another prepare us to receive Christ in the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

The presider invites the people to confession.

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.

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 neighbour 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 presider offers absolution and the people respond.

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.

THE PEACE

The community stands for the Peace.

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.

And also with you.

The Celebration of the Eucharist

THE OFFERTORY

At the offertory we gratefully offer back some of what God has given us, symbolically in the elements, and in our contributions towards the work of the church. Donations to the mission of the Cathedral can be made via PayPal, using the QR code here.



OFFERTORY HYMN I Come with Joy

CP#60

1 I come with joy, a child of God,
forgiven, loved, and free,
the life of Jesus to recall,
in love laid down for me.

3 As Christ breaks bread and bids us share,
each proud division ends.
The love that made us makes us one,
and strangers now are friends.

2 I come with Christians far and near
to find, as all are fed,
the new community of love
in Christ's communion bread.

4 The spirit of the risen Christ,
unseen but ever near,
is in such friendship better known,
alive among us here.

5 Together met, together bound,
by all that God has done,
we'll go with joy, to give the world
the love that makes us one.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Let us pray.

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. **Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

In the Great Thanksgiving, we do what Jesus himself asked us to do: thank God and recall all that God has done for us in the life, death, and resurrection of Christ. The Great Thanksgiving, or Eucharistic Prayer, is a long prayer with four parts. Each of these four parts corresponds to a different action of Jesus at the Last Supper, where he took, blessed, broke, and gave bread and wine as sacraments of his body and blood. We begin the Great Thanksgiving with the Sursum corda, meaning "Lift up your hearts."

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, gracious God... we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of pow'r and might! Hea-ven and
earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high-est! Blest is the
One who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est!

We give thanks to you, Lord our God... Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore, Father, according to his command,

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

and we offer our sacrifice of praise... all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

We pray together the prayer that Jesus taught his disciples to pray. The link between our daily bread and the spiritual food we receive in the Eucharist is an ancient connection.

As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

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

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

We break this bread,
Communion in Christ's body once broken.

Let your Church be the wheat which bears its fruit in dying.
If we have died with him, we shall live with him; if we hold firm, we shall reign with him.

THE COMMUNION

The gifts of God for the People of God.
Thanks be to God.

LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world, have mer-cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world, grant us peace.

All are invited to receive the Holy Eucharist. Please proceed to the high altar or the standing nave station.

MUSIC AT COMMUNION If Ye Love Me Thomas Tallis

If ye love me, keep my commandments. And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another comforter, that he may bide with you for ever, e'en the Spirit of truth.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

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 is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

During the singing of this hymn the sacrament is taken to the Altar of Repose.

1 Thou, who at thy first eucharist didst pray
that all thy church might be for ever one,
grant us at every eucharist to say
with longing heart and soul, "Thy will be done."
O may we all one bread, one body be,
through this blest sacrament of unity.

2 For all thy church, O Lord, we intercede;
make thou our sad divisions soon to cease;
draw us the nearer each to each, we plead,
by drawing all to thee, O Prince of Peace.
Thus may we all one bread, one body be,
through this blest sacrament of unity.

3 So, Lord, at length when sacraments shall cease,
may we be one with all thy church above,
one with thy saints in one unbroken peace,
one with thy saints in one unbounded love;
more blessed still, in peace and love to be
one with the Trinity in Unity.

At the end of the service the church and altar will be stripped of all ornaments and cloths. As this begins, Matthew 26:36-40 will be read, followed by Psalm 22.

At the conclusion of the liturgy all the lights will be turned out for a brief period, in recognition of the night of darkness which our Lord experienced when he suffered in the Garden of Gethsemane. Please experience this darkness in silence, and remain in your seats until a few lights are turned on to enable you to leave the church safely and in silence. You may remain for silent prayer or meditation after the service.