

Unison or harmony

MAUNDY THURSDAY RITUAL WASHING, MEAL, HOLY EUCHARIST, AND STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR April 6, 2023

H 315

6:00PM – In Person

Take a seat at a table for the service.

The whole congregation says the parts in **bold**.

GATHERING HYMN

Thou, who at thy first Eucharist didst pray (Song 1)

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OPENING ACCLAMATION

All Stand.

Presider:Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.People:God's mercy endures for ever.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

All Remain Standing.

Presider: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Presider: Almighty God, 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.
People: Amen.

ENTRANCE MAUNDY THURSDAY GOSPEL READING: John 13:1-15; 31b-35 *All are Seated.*

A Reading from the Gospel of John:

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.

³¹When he had gone out, Jesus said, "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."

Reader:The Word of the Lord.People:Thanks be to God.

RITUAL WASHING

All Remain Seated. Words about hand washing will be said.

Presider: Let us pray. Infinite, intimate God; this night you kneel before your friends and wash them with loving care. Allowing ourselves to be washed, accepting that service, can be more difficult than being the washer. Let us overcome our hesitation tonight, and on this Holy Thursday, give those with whom we live the gift of love and service by the loving washing of your neighbor. Bound together in your affection, trembling, we let ourselves be touched by your example.

People: Amen.

All are strongly encouraged to wash the hands of a neighbor. Music will be played.

SHARED MEAL

All Stand.

Presider:	The Lord be with you.
People:	And also with you.
Presider:	Let us pray. Blessed are you, O Lord our God, Creator of the Universe. You have blessed the earth
	to bring forth food to satisfy our hunger. Let this food strengthen us, that following our Savior in the
	way of the cross, we may come to the joy of his resurrection
People:	For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, now and for ever. Amen.

DINNER

All are Seated. Music will signal the beginning of the and clearing of tables to begin the formal Eucharist.

THE WORD OF GOD

THE LESSONS

READING: Exodus 12:1-14a *All are Seated.*

A Reading from the book of 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. ^{14a}This day shall be a day of remembrance for you.

Reader:The Word of the Lord.People:Thanks be to God.

 GOSPEL ACCLAMATION
 O How He Loves You and Me

 All Stand. Repeat Verse 1 after the Gospel Reading.



LEVAS 35

GOSPEL: Matthew 26.17-30

All Remain Standing.

Gospeler:The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.People:Glory to you, Lord Christ.

¹⁷On the first day of Unleavened Bread the disciples came to Jesus, saying, "Where do you want us to make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?" ¹⁸He said, "Go into the city to a certain man, and say to him, 'The Teacher says, My time is near; I will keep the Passover at your house with my disciples."¹⁹So the disciples did as Jesus had directed them, and they prepared the Passover meal.

²⁰When it was evening, he took his place with the twelve; ²¹and while they were eating, he said, "Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me." ²²And they became greatly distressed and began to say to him one after another, "Surely not I, Lord?" ²³He answered, "The one who has dipped his hand into the bowl with me will betray me. ²⁴The Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that one by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that one not to have been born." ²⁵Judas, who betrayed him, said, "Surely not I, Rabbi?" He replied, "You have said so."

²⁶While they were eating, Jesus took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to the disciples, and said, "Take, eat; this is my body." ²⁷Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; ²⁸for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. ²⁹I tell you, I will never again drink of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom."

³⁰When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

Gospeler:The Holy Gospel of the Lord.People:Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

All are Seated.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *All Stand.*

Presider: United with Christians around the globe on this Maundy Thursday, let us pray for the church, the earth, our troubled world, responding to each petition with the words Hear us, holy God. Your mercy is great.

A brief silence.

Blessed are you, holy God, for the church. Gather all the baptized around your presence in the Word. Strengthen the body of your people even when we cannot assemble for worship. Grant Bishop Daniel, all lay ministers, and clergy faithfulness and creativity for their ministry in this time, and accompany those preparing for baptism, confirmation, reception and reaffirmation of faith. *A brief silence.* Hear us, holy God. Your mercy is great.

Blessed are you, bountiful God, for this good earth and for the flowering of springtime. Save dry lands from destructive droughts and fires. Protect the waters from pollution. Allow in this time the planting of fields for food. Make us into care-givers of your plants and animals.

A brief silence. Hear us, bountiful God. Your mercy is great.

Blessed are you, sovereign God, for all nations and peoples. Inspire all to live in peace and accountability. Leach the poison from our minds that assumes strength is shown in intimidation and combat. Grant wisdom and courage to heads of state and to legislators as they face chaos and disasters. Lead all persons of power and

influence to champion the cause of the last, the least, and the lost. *A brief silence.* Hear us, sovereign God. Your mercy is great.

Blessed are you, gracious God, for you care for the needy. We beg you to feed the hungry, protect the refugee, embrace the distressed, house the homeless, nurse the sick, and comfort the dying. Especially we pray for those whom we name before you now: *All may say names aloud*.

A brief silence. Hear us, gracious God. Your mercy is great.

Blessed are you, eternal God, for all who have died in the faith, and at the end, bring us with them into your everlasting glory. Especially we pray for those whom we name before you here: *All may say names aloud*. *A brief silence.* Hear us, eternal God. Your mercy is great.

Blessed are you, loving God, that your Son knelt before us, your unworthy servants. Preserve our lives, comfort our anxiety, and receive now the petitions of our hearts. *A longer period of silence.* Hear us, loving God. Your mercy is great.

Presider: O God of the crucified and risen One, from whom no trial or trouble can separate us: you feed us with your Word and soothe us with your Spirit, closer to us than breath itself. Make us glad this night for the life of your servant Jesus; Make us servants of all for the sake of Jesus; who for our sake gave his life for the salvation of all. In the Name of Jesus, your Son, our Lord. *People:* Amen.

THE PEACE

All Remain Standing.

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

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"Ave Verum Corpus"

by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

Ave verum corpus, natum de Maria Virgine, vere passum, immolatum in cruce pro homine. Cujus latus perforatum fluxit aqua et sanguine: esto nobis pregustatum in mortis examine.

Translation:

Hail, true Body, born of the Virgin Mary, truly suffered, sacrificed on the cross for mankind. From whose pierced side water and blood flowed: Be for us a foretaste [of Heaven] in the trial of death.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

SURSUM CORDA

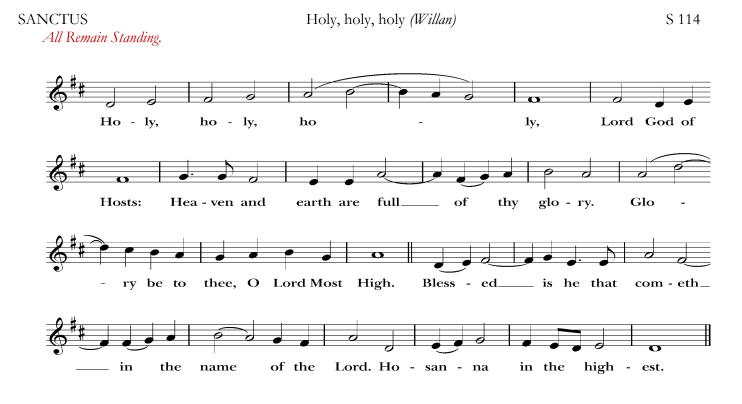
All Remain Standing

Presider:	The Lord be with you.	People:	And also with you.
Presider:	Lift up your hearts.	People:	We lift them to the Lord.
Presider:	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.	People:	It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Presider: Holy God, you alone are holy, you alone are God. The universe declares your praise: beyond the stars, beneath the sea, within each cell, with every breath. *People:* We praise you, O God.

Presider: Generations bless your faithfulness, through the water, by night and day, across the wilderness, out of exile, and into the future. *People:* We bless you, O God.

Presider: We give you thanks for your dear Son: at the heart of human life, near to those who suffer, beside the sinner, among the poor, with us now. *People:* We thank you, O God.



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

All Stand or Kneel.

Therefore, with the faithful who rest in him, with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and saying:

On the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke the bread and gave it to his disciples saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks and gave it for all to drink saying: this cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering his love for us on the way, at the table and to the end, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ Has Died (Hill)

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION All Remaining Standing or Kneeling.

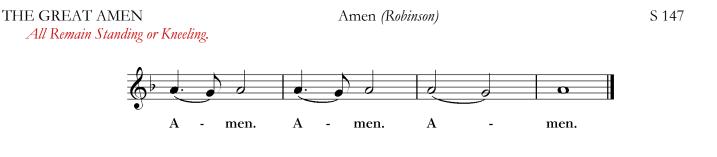


EPICLESIS

All Remain Standing or Kneeling.

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.

Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy God through Christ Jesus, by your Spirit and in your church, without end.



THE LORD'S PRAYER *All Stand*.

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Presider: As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

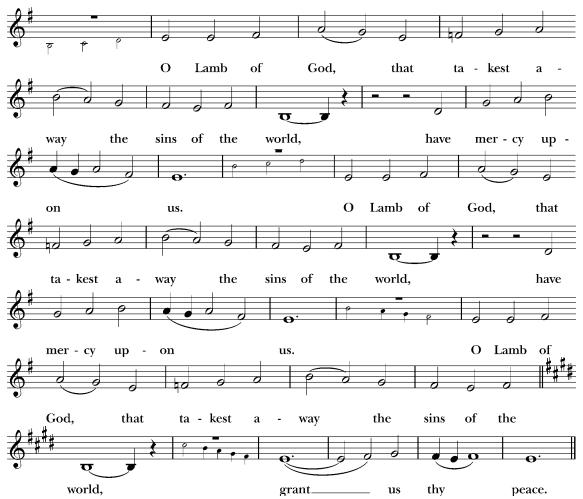
People and Presider: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

COMMUNION PRAYER All Stand or Kneel.

Presider: On this night, Christ breaks bread and offers himself to us.*People:* On this night, we receive the body of Christ; we become living bread for the world.

All Remain Standing.



INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Presider: Come: the table of bread and wine is now ready. It is the table of company with Jesus, and all who love him. It is the table of sharing with the poor and suffering; those with whom Jesus identified. It is the table of communion with the earth, in which Christ became incarnate. So, come to this table, you who have much faith and you who would like to have more; you who have been here often and you who have not been for a long time; you who have tried to follow Jesus, and you who have failed; Come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.



If the steps are a difficulty, please alert an usher for assistance. Communion is distributed in bread and individual pours of wine. Gluten-free wafers are available. If you desire to receive the wine pick up a small glass on your way to the railing and it will be filled after you receive the bread. As you leave place your used glass in the red bucket. If you would like to spiritually receive the wine (not drinking it) clasp your hands together so that the words of distribution may be said with you. If you are not receiving communion, you are encouraged to come forward and receive a blessing, signaling this desire by crossing your arms over your chest.

Bread and wine will be distributed at one station, and then will be offered again until all is gone.

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In Remembrance of Me (Buryl Red)

All Remain Standing or Kneeling.





NEW COMMANDMENT

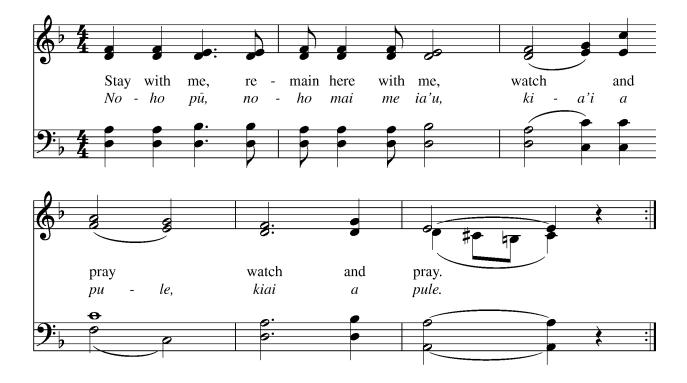
Presider: The Lord Jesus, after he had supped with his disciples and had washed their feet, said to them, "Do you know what I, your Lord and Master, have done to you? I have given you an example, that you should do as I have done." Peace is my last gift to you, my own peace I now leave with you; peace which the world cannot give, I give to you.

People: I give you a new commandment: Love one another as I have loved you.

Presider: Peace is my last gift to you, my own peace I now leave with you; peace which the world cannot give, I give to you. By this shall the world know that you are my disciples.

People: That you have love for one another.

PROCESSION TO THE NAVEStay with me (Noho pu)WLP 826The worship team will lead the way to the nave. The congregation will follow.



THE STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR

In token of the humility, poverty, and nakedness in which Our Lord died, all ornaments are removed from the Sanctuary while the Psalm is said.

PSALM: Psalm 22

¹My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?
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²O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer;
²O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer;
³Yet you are holy,
⁴In you are holy,
⁴In you our ancestors trusted;
⁴In you delivered them.
⁵To you they cried, and were saved;

in you they trusted, and were not put to shame. ⁶But I am a worm, and not human; scorned by others, and despised by the people. ⁷All who see me mock at me; they make mouths at me, they shake their heads; ⁸"Commit your cause to the LORD; let him deliver let him rescue the one in whom he delights!" ⁹Yet it was you who took me from the womb; you kept me safe on my mother's breast. ¹⁰On you I was cast from my birth, and since my mother bore me you have been my God. ¹¹Do not be far from me, for trouble is near and there is no one to help. ¹²Many bulls encircle me, strong bulls of Bashan surround me; ¹³they open wide their mouths at me, like a ravening and roaring lion. ¹⁴I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint; my heart is like wax; it is melted within my breast; ¹⁵my mouth is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue sticks to my jaws; you lay me in the dust of death. ¹⁶For dogs are all around me; a company of evildoers encircles me. My hands and feet have shriveled; ¹⁷I can count all my bones. They stare and gloat over me; ¹⁸they divide my clothes among themselves, and for my clothing they cast lots. ¹⁹But you, O LORD, do not be far away! O my help, come quickly to my aid! ²⁰Deliver my soul from the sword, my life from the power of the dog! ²¹Save me from the mouth of the lion! From the horns of the wild oxen you have rescued me. ²²I will tell of your name to my brothers and sisters in the midst of the congregation I will praise you: ²³You who fear the LORD, praise him! All you offspring of Jacob, glorify him; stand in awe of him, all you offspring of Israel! ²⁴For he did not despise or abhor the affliction of the afflicted; he did not hide his face from me, but heard when I cried to him. ²⁵From you comes my praise in the great congregation; my vows I will pay before those who fear him. ²⁶The poor shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek him shall praise the LORD. May your hearts live forever! ²⁷All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD; and all the families of the nations shall worship before him. ²⁸For dominion belongs to the LORD, and he rules over the nations. ²⁹To him, indeed, shall all who sleep in the earth bow down; before him shall bow all who go down to the dust, and I shall live for him. ³⁰Posterity will serve him; future generations will be told about the LORD, ³¹and proclaim his deliverance to a people yet unborn, saying that he has done it.

FINAL READING: Matthew 26:30, 42-46

³⁰When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. ⁴²Jesus went away for the second time and prayed, "My Father, if this cannot pass unless I drink it, your will be done." ⁴³Again he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were heavy. ⁴⁴So leaving them again, he went away and prayed for the third time, saying the same words. ⁴⁵Then he came to the disciples and said to them, "Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? See, the hour is at hand, and the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. ⁴⁶Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand."

At the end of the Reading, you are invited to pray in silence until you are ready to depart.

Garden watch begins here. If you choose to participate at home, we invite you to take this bulletin with you for prayers to guide your time throughout the Garden Watch.

PRAYERS FOR THE GARDEN WATCH

Whether you take a time in the nave or choose to make your watch at home, here is a prayer for your focus. If at home perhaps find a garden image or Jesus icon to focus your prayers. Choose a body position that grounds you in the earth. This may be seated in a chair, kneeling, sitting on the floor, or slowly walking from font to altar. Perhaps you choose to repeat this sequence, choosing a different portion of scripture each time. Breathe deeply three times before you begin.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Re-read the Psalm (or a portion) taking a pause at each whole verse.

Re-read a Gospel (or a portion).

In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit consider these three things.

"What words or phrases bring energy or emotion?

- " Imagine yourself in the setting of the scripture, where are you, what do you notice?
- "Discipleship is a verb, a state of being that in our words might be called a devotee. Ask God how this deep relationship might continue to grow in your life based on the lessons of this day.

Suggested Prayer: God of the courage that comes from the heart; God of the journey that starts from within: we pray that this small step we take today will lead us from our tomb and along a path of solidarity and peace. As we come to you in prayer as pilgrims in the dark may your fiery, contagious spirit resurrect a hope-filled life so that we might be your people with new courage in our heart. Amen.

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HOLY



WEEK

PALM SUNDAY 4.2 Both services begin outside	8 am, Simple Spoken Eucharist 10:15 am, Eucharist with Choir, *hybrid			
SHADOWS PODCAST	Tenebrae Adaptation, listen anytime			
MAUNDY THURSDAY 4.6	6 pm, Dinner Church and Stripping of the Altar Or Agape Dinner at home with online video			
GARDEN WATCH 4.6	Praying through the night till sunrise			
GOOD FRIDAY 4.7	12 pm, Outdoor Stations of the Cross All weather at Ridley Park Lake7 pm, Good Friday Liturgy, *hybrid			
EASTER VIGIL 4.8	7 pm, Outdoor Eucharist (bring a lawn chair and jacket) Family-friendly, interactive, camp style			
EASTER SUNDAY 4.9	8 am, Eucharist with Choir 10:15 am, Eucharist with Choir, *hybrid			

*Hybrid: in-person & livestreamed

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Come and see, the doors are open, the invitation wholehearted.

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