



Maundy Thursday
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Holy Eucharist Service with Foot-Washing

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HOLY EUCHARIST – online only

Celebrant – The Rev. Malcolm Kern

Our Lord Jesus Christ said, “A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another as I have loved you.” *John 12:34*

The Gathering of the Community:

This is the night that Christ the Lamb of God gave himself into the hands of those who would slay him.

This is the night that Christ gathered with his disciples in the upper room.

This is the night 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 night 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 might may reign with him in heaven.

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

People: **And also with you.**

Collect for Purity:

Almighty God, **to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Confession and Absolution: 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)

Have mercy on us, O God, in your great goodness; according to the abundance of your compassion blot out our offences. Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Against you only have we sinned and done what is evil in your sight. Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Purge us from our sin and we shall be clean; wash us and we shall be whiter than snow. Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Almighty God have mercy upon us, pardon and deliver us from all our sins, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and keep us all in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace (*please stand*)

Presider: Christ is our peace. He has reconciled us to God in one body by the cross. May the peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: **And also with you.**

The Proclamation of the Word of God –

Collect: 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.**

A Reading from the Book of Exodus (*Exodus 12:1-4,11-17*)

Reader: Hear what the Spirit says to the Church.

All: **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 116:1, 10-17

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.

How shall I repay the Lord for all the good things he has done for me?

I will lift up the cup of salvation and call upon the name of the Lord.

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

Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his servants.

O Lord, I am your servant; I am your servant and the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds.

I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call upon the name of the Lord.

I will fulfill my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people,

In the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

Hallelujah!

A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians

(1 Cor. 10:15-17; 11:23-26):

Reader: Hear what the Spirit says to the Church.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Song of Response: One Bread, One Body

John B. Foley, SJ

performed by John Michael Talbot

One bread, one body, one Lord of all,
one cup of blessing which we bless.
And we, though many, throughout the earth,
we are one body in this one Lord.

Gentile or Jew, servant or free, woman or man no more.

[Refrain]

Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord of all.

[Refrain]

The Holy Gospel – *please stand*

Gospeller: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
(*John 13:1-17, 31b-35*)

All: **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ

All: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

The Sermon: (*all sit*)

The Washing of Feet

Fellow servants of our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night before his death, Jesus set an example for his disciples by washing their feet, an act of humble service. He taught that strength and growth in the life of the kingdom of God come not by power, authority, or even miracle, but by such lowly service. We all need to remember his example, but none more than those whom the Lord has called to ordained ministry.

Therefore, I invite the onerepresenting the congregation to come forward that I may recall whose servant I am, and that we may all remember Jesus' words that "a servant is not greater than his master, nor is the one who is sent greater than the one who sent him. If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them."

Music for Reflection: Love Each Other

CCLI Song # 5490167

Graham Kendrick

performed by Graham Kendrick

All the room was hushed and still
And when the bowl was filled
He stooped to wash their feet
And when it was complete,
he said

Chorus:

*This is what I'm asking you to do
This is why I'm kneeling here beside you
This is what I want my church to be
This is what I want the world to see
Who it is you follow*

*Love each other, one another
Love each other, in the way that I have loved you
Walk together, and whatever comes
Love each other in the way that I have loved you*

Let the room be hushed and still
Let us go to where he kneels
And join him as he serves
And learn his ways of love,
he said

[Chorus]

Prayers of Intercession:

With confidence and trust let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy." *Silence is kept for reflection prior to each bidding.*

For the one holy catholic and apostolic Church throughout the world, we pray to you, Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For those preparing for baptism and for their teachers and sponsors, we pray to you, Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For peace in the world, that a spirit of respect and reconciliation may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For all whom we have injured or offended, we pray to you, Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For grace to amend our lives and to further the reign of God, we pray to you, Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

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 forever. **Amen.**

The Celebration of the Eucharist:

Preparing the Table: Thou, Who at Thy First Eucharist

W. H. Turton

music: Orlando Gibbons, arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams

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Thou, who at thy first Eucharist did pray
That all thy Church might be forever 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.

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.

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.

Prayer Over the Gifts:

Father, we spread this table to remember the loving sacrifice of Jesus Christ, your Son. 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

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 our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right to give you thanks, Father most holy, through Jesus Christ our Lord. For on this night he girded himself with a towel and, taking the form of a servant, washed the feet of his disciples. He gave us a new commandment that we should love one another as he has loved us.

Knowing that his hour had come, in his great love he gave this supper to his disciples to be a memorial of his passion, that we might proclaim his death until he comes again, and feast with him in his kingdom.

Therefore earth unites with heaven to sing a new song of praise; we too join with angels and archangels as they proclaim your glory without end: **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.**

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end: at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate the memorial of our redemption. **Recalling Christ's death and descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.**

Father, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Grant that all who share this bread and this cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ to the praise of your name.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honour and glory are yours, almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, forever and ever. Amen

The Lord's Prayer:

And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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.

Breaking of the Bread:

We break this bread, to share in the body of Christ.

We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

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

Prayer After Communion:

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 forever. **Amen.**

Gracious God we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. May we, who share his body, live his risen life; we, who drink his cup, bring life to others; we, whom the Spirit lights, give light to the world.

Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so that we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Stripping of the Altar:

The altar vessels and linens are removed, and the lights dimmed as Matthew 26:30-56 is read. After a period of silence, the lights will be raised, and the congregation departs in silence.

