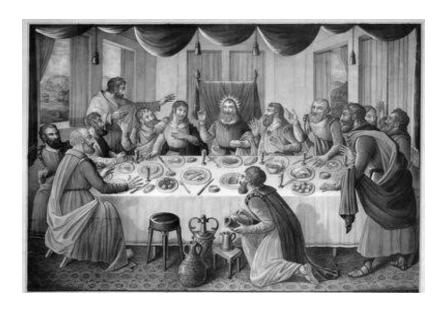


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"A new commandment I give unto you: that you love one another as I have loved you."



Holy Eucharist with foot washing and stripping of altar

Maundy Thursday

Thursday 14th April 2022 • 6.30 pm

Welcome to St Thomas' Cathedral for this service

Maundy Thursday receives its name from the Latin "mandatum" or the "new commandment" given by our Lord. At the Last Supper, Jesus washed his disciples' feet and commanded them to love and serve one another as he had done. This service begins with a festal character as we remember the joy of the love and service which Jesus lived and taught and the institution of the Holy Eucharist. The service closes with solemnity as we turn our attention toward the agony in the garden of Gethsemane, and the betrayal leading Jesus to the journey to the cross and crucifixion. The altar, symbolic of Christ, is stripped of its vesture and left bare for the solemnity of Good Friday

Follow the readings and the Order of Service for the Lord's Supper in **The Book of Common Prayer** (refer page numbers). Hymns can be found in the **English Hymnal**.

For your safety please respect others and give one another space.

Please **take this order of service with you** to reflect on the prayers and readings and as a reminder of your visit.

Order of Service

The congregation is asked to join in all text printed in **bold**.

The Gathering

Voluntary

Prelude on the tune, 'Rockingham' "O Lamm Gottes, unschuldig" ("O Lamb of God most stainless")

C. Hubert H. Parry (1848 - 1918) I.S. Bach, BWV 618 (1685 - 1750)

Welcome

All keep silence and prepare for worship.

Introit Sung by the choir

A new commandment that I give to you, is to love one another as I have loved you. By this shall all know you are my disciples: If you have love one for another.

Words: Gospel of John 13: 34, 35 Music: Anonymous, arr. N. Warren

All **STAND** and say together.

Opening Prayer

Lord, as we prepare to enter the mystery of these three most holy days, we ask you to illumine our minds and hearts with the hope and promise of Christ's passion, death and resurrection. Give us eyes to see Him in the breaking of the bread and hearts that reach out to Him in service to one another. We ask you this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

All join in singing the hymn at the procession.

Hymn at the Procession | #471

Praise to the Holiest in the height

Tune: RICHMOND

All SIT.

The Presbyter says

In the name of the † Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

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

All and also with you.

The Collect for Purity

All say.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom 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.

Prayers of Penitence & Absolution

The Presbyter invites the people to confess their sins.

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.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault.

We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name.

Amen.

Presbyter Almighty God,

who forgives all who truly repent,

have mercy upon you,

pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,

and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

All **STAND** and sing.

Gloria in Excelsis | page 317

All SIT.

The Liturgy of the Word

The Collects for the Day | Page 479 & Page 445

Read by the Presbyter

Old Testament Reading | Page 479

A reading from the Book of Exodus 12. I - II

At the conclusion of the reading: This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Psalm 116 • Dilexi, quoniam

Response (all): The blessing cup that we bless is a communion with the blood of Christ.

- ¹ How can I repay the Lord for His goodness to me? The cup of salvation I will raise, I will call on the Lord's name.
- ² O precious in the eyes of the Lord is the death of His faithful. Your servant, Lord, am I, you have loosened my bonds.
- ³ A thanksgiving sacrifice I make: I will call on the Lord"s name. My vows to the Lord I will fulfill before all His people.

The blessing cup that we bless is a communion with the blood of Christ.

Set to a chant by Simon Mold

The Epistle | Page 480

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians 11.17 - 34

At the conclusion of the reading:

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

All **STAND** and join in singing the gradual hymn.

Of the glorious Body telling

Tune: ST THOMAS (#623)

The Gospel of Christ

The Cantor intones.

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

I give you a new commandment, says the Lord: Love one another as I have loved you.

All Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

The Gospeller The Lord be with you and also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to

St. John 13. 1 - 17, 31b - 35. **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

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 lesus, 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.'

Continued overleaf. Turn over.

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 not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them.

Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little 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." I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.'

The Gospeller This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

All Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

All sing.

Bind us together, Lord, bind us together with chords that cannot be broken. Bind us together, Lord, bind us together, O bind us together with love.

B. Gillman, arr. J. Bell

Remain **STANDING** for the Creed, all reciting together.

The Nicene Creed | Page 354

Please be **SEATED**.

Homily

The Revd Avinash Rangayya

The Bidding

The choir sings.

Ubi caritas et amor, ubi caritas Deus ibi est.

Where there is charity and love, God is there.

Taizé chant by Jacques Berthier (1923 - 1994)

The Presbyter says

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.

The Foot Washing Ceremony

Those whose feet are being washed are requested to come up to the chancel steps. During this time the choir sings.

Let Thy blood in mercy poured, Let Thy gracious body broken, Be to me, O gracious Lord, Of Thy boundless love the token. Thou didst give Thyself for me, Now I give myself to Thee.

Thou didst die that I might live; Blessed Lord, Thou cam'st to save me; All that love of God could give Jesus by His sorrows gave me. Thou didst give Thyself for me, Now I give myself to Thee. By the thorns that crowned Thy brow, By the spear-wound and the nailing, By the pain and death I now claim, O Christ, Thy love unfailing. Thou didst give Thyself for me, Now I give myself to Thee.

Wilt thou own the gift I bring? All my penitence I give Thee; Thou art my exalted King, Of Thy matchless love forgive me. Thou didst give Thyself to me, Now I give myself to Thee.

Words: John Brownlie (1857 – 1925)

Music: Alfred V. Fedak (b. 1953)

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

All STAND.

The Peace

The Celebrant offers a greeting of 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.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

While remaining in your place, share the sign of peace with a namaste with your neighbour.

At this time an offering will be received for the ministries of the Cathedral. Thank you for your generosity. All join in singing the hymn.

Preparation of the Table

Hymn at the Offertory | #324

O thou, who art thy Eucharist didst pray

Tune: UNDE ET MEMORES

All say

All SIT.

Prayers of Intercession

Intercessor

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

ΑII

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 Consecration | Page 363 The Communion | Page 368

Communicants are requested to leave space on either side of them when they receive Communion.

During the adminstration of Communion, whilte seated, we sing.

Hymn | #301

Alleluya, sing to Jesus

Tune: HYFRYDOL

Prayer after Communion

All **STAND** and say.

Lord Jesus Christ, we thank you that in this wonderful sacrament you have given us the memorial of your passion: grant us so to reverence the sacred mysteries of your body and blood that we may know within ourselves and show forth in our lives the fruit of your redemption, for you are alive and reign, now and for ever. Amen.

If you would like to leave, please do so quietly.

The Stripping of the Altar

The Altar is stripped and the lights are extinguished. Psalm 22.1-19 is sung/ said. The verses in **bold** are said by all.

- ¹ My God, my God, look upon me; why hast thou forsaken me: and art so far from my health, and from the words of my complaint?
- ²O my God, I cry in the day-time, but thou hearest not: and in the night-season also I take no rest.
- ³ And thou continuest holy: O thou worship of Israel.
- ⁴ Our fathers hoped in thee:
 - they trusted in thee, and thou didst deliver them.
- ⁵ They called upon thee, and were holpen: they put their trust in thee, and were not confounded.
- ⁶ But as for me, I am a worm, and no man: a very scorn of men, and the outcast of the people.
- ⁷ All they that see me laugh me to scorn:
 - they shoot out their lips, and shake their heads, saying,
- ⁸ He trusted in God, that he would deliver him:
 - let him deliver him, if he will have him.
- ⁹ But thou art he that took me out of my mother's womb:
 - thou wast my hope, when I hanged yet upon my mother's breasts.
- ¹⁰ I have been left unto thee ever since I was born:
 - thou art my God, even from my mother's womb.
- O go not from me, for trouble is hard at hand: and there is none to help me.
- ¹² Many oxen are come about me:
 - fat bulls of Basan close me in on every side.
- ¹³ They gape upon me with their mouths: as it were a ramping and a roaring lion.
- 14 I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint:

 my heart also in the midst of my body is even like melting wax.
- 15 My strength is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue cleaveth to my gums:
 - and thou shalt bring me into the dust of death.
- ¹⁶ For many dogs are come about me:
 - and the council of the wicked layeth siege against me.
- ¹⁷ They pierced my hands and my feet; I may tell all my bones: they stand staring and looking upon me.
- ¹⁸ They part my garments among them : and casts lots upon my vesture.

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19 But be not thou far from me, O Lord: thou art my succour, haste thee to help me.

The Gethsemane Narrative (Mark 14.32-50) is then read.

They went to a place called Gethsemane; and Jesus said to his disciples, 'Sit here while I pray.' He took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be distressed and agitated. And he said to them, 'I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and keep awake.' And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. He said, 'Abba, Father, for you all things are possible; remove this cup from me; yet, not what I want, but what you want.' He came and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter, 'Simon, are you asleep? Could you not keep awake one hour? Keep awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.' And again he went away and prayed, saying the same words. And once more he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were very heavy; and they did not know what to say to him. He came a third time and said to them, 'Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? Enough! The hour has come; the Son of

Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand.'

Immediately, while he was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; and with him there was a crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests, the scribes, and the elders. Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, 'The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him and lead him away under guard.' So when he came, he went up to him at once and said, 'Rabbi!' and kissed him. Then they laid hands on him and arrested him. But one of those who stood near drew his sword and struck the slave of the high priest, cutting off his ear. Then Jesus said to them, 'Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest me as though I were a bandit? Day after day I was with you in the temple teaching, and you did not arrest me. But let the scriptures be fulfilled.' All of them deserted him and fled.

The End of the Watch

The Presbyter says

In the darkness of this hour, we cry to the Lord; in the prison of our despair, we take refuge in his mercy; in the silence of our hearts, we yearn for his presence.

Jesus looked up to heaven and said: 'Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you' John 17.1

Christ was obedient unto death. Go now in his peace.

All depart in silence.



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