

Maundy Thursday

March 28, 2024 • 7:30 p.m.

*The People's responses are in **bold**.*

PRELUDE

Prelude *De profundis*

Herbert Howells

The Word of God

INTROIT

Nos autem gloriari

G.P. da Palestrina

*Nos autem gloriari oportet in cruce Domini nostri Jesu
Christi:
in quo est salus, vita et resurrectio nostra:
per quem salvati et liberati sumus.*

It is right for us to glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus
Christ:
in whom is our salvation, life and resurrection;
by whom we are saved and delivered.

—Introit for Maundy Thursday

HYMN 170 *Stand*

To mock your reign, O dearest Lord

The Third Tune

OPENING ACCLAMATION & PENITENTIAL SENTENCE

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

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord your God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these."
— Mark 12:29-31

THE CONFESSION OF SIN *Kneel or remain standing*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence is kept.

**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 neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of our Savior 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.**

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.
Amen.

KYRIE ELEISON *All standing*

Kyrie, S86, David Hurd

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty Father, 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.

Amen.

THE LESSONS *Sit*

FIRST LESSON

Exodus 12:1-4,11-14

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. Tell 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. If 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. This 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. For 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. The 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.

This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the Lord; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



- 1 I love the LORD, because he has heard the voice of my suppli-/ cation, *
because he has inclined his ear to me
whenever I called up-/ on him.
- 10 How shall I repay the / LORD*
for all the good things he has / done for me?
- 11 I will lift up the cup of sal-/ vation *
and call upon the Name of the / LORD.
- 12 I will fulfill my vows to the / LORD*
in the presence of all his / people.
- 13 Precious in the sight of the / LORD*
is the death of his / servants.
- 14 O LORD, I am your / servant; *
I am your servant and the child of your handmaid;
you have freed me from my / bonds.
- 15 I will offer you the sacrifice of / thanksgiving *
and call upon the Name of the / LORD.
- 16 I will fulfill my vows to the / LORD*
in the presence of all his / people,
- †17 In the courts of the / LORD's house, *
in the midst of you, O Je-/ rusalem.

SECOND LESSON

1 Corinthians 11:23–26

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, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, “This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.” In 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.” For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



1. Three ho - ly days en - fold us now in wash - ing
 2. The myst' - ry hid from ag - es past is here re -
 3. Christ lift - ed high up - on the tree, be - fore you

feet and break - ing bread, in cross and font and
 vealed in word and sign, for Je - sus' sto - ry
 ev - ery knee shall bend and ev - ery tongue in

life re - newed: in Christ, God's first - born from the dead.
 is our own: new life through death is God's de - sign.
 praise pro - claim: "You are the Lord of all. A - men."

THE GOSPEL

John 13:1-17, 31b-35

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

Glory to you, Lord 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 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 Gospel of our Savior.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON *Sit*

The Rev. Jeanne Leinbach

THE FOOT-WASHING *Remain seated*

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.

Therefore, I invite you who share in the royal priesthood of Christ, to come forward, that we may recall whose servant we are by following the example of our Master. Come remembering his admonition that what will be done for us is also to be done by us to others, for “a servant is not greater than his master, nor is one who is sent greater than the one who sent him. If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them.”

Those desiring to have their feet washed should remove their shoes and come forward to the chairs near the chancel steps.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *Kneel or stand*

On this holy night, we feast together as the Body of Christ, and at the table commit ourselves to love and serve one another. Let us pray for the Church and for all God’s people everywhere saying: God of Love, Hear our prayer.

God our provider, you feed your Church with the bread of life and cup of salvation. May all its members who gather at your table receive a foretaste of the eternal banquet. God of Love,
Hear our prayer.

God of justice, endue the leaders of all the nations with your Son’s zeal for righteousness. May they bring freedom to those living under the yoke of oppression. God of Love,
Hear our prayer.

God of humble service, on this night Jesus washed the feet of his disciples. May we follow this example of love and service by carrying the burdens and comforting the brokenness of one another. God of Love,
Hear our prayer.

God of compassion, hear our prayers for all who call upon your name in the midst of suffering, especially those on our parish prayer list. May they know your healing power and be made whole. God of Love,

Hear our prayer.

God our companion, we pray for all those unable to be present at the Lord's Table or any other table. May all people know the oneness we share in the Body of Christ. God of Love,

Hear our prayer.

God of hope, we pray for those who have died. May they come to share fully in Christ's Paschal victory. God of Love,

Hear our prayer.

The Presider prays a concluding Collect

Holy God, you give us this meal of bread and wine in which we celebrate your great compassion; hear our prayers and grant us grace to love and serve others as Christ has loved us, that we may grow in love and give fuller witness to Jesus who is always with us. We ask this through him who is our Passover and our Peace.

Amen.

THE PEACE *All standing*

The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

WELCOME *Sit*

The Holy Communion

THE OFFERTORY

In the Offertory, the People's gifts of bread, wine and money are offered at the Altar. We give back to God from the abundance of God's blessings in recognition that all we have is a gift from God. An offering is received to support the mission of St. Paul's to provide a spiritual home for all to seek, serve, and love God together. All are invited to make a gift as the plate is passed, at www.stpauls-church.org/give/, or by texting "STPAULSCLE" followed by an amount to 73256.

ANTHEM

Go to dark Gethsemane,
Ye that feel the tempter's power;
Your Redeemer's conflict see,
Watch with Him one bitter hour;
Turn not from his griefs away,
Learn of Jesus Christ to pray.

Go to dark Gethsemane

Follow to the judgment hall;
View the Lord of life arraigned;
O the wormwood and the gall!
O the pangs His soul sustained!
Shun not suffering, shame, or loss;
Learn of him to bear the Cross.

T. Tertius Noble

Calvary's mournful mountain climb;
There, adoring at his feet,
Mark the miracle of time,
God's own sacrifice complete;
"It is finished!" hear him cry;
Learn of Jesus Christ to die.
Amen.

—James Montgomery (1771–1854)

HYMN 164 *Stand*

Alone thou goest forth, O Lord

Bangor

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.

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us.

By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Sanctus S114, Healey Willan

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of

Hosts: Hea - ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo -

- ry be to thee, O Lord Most High. Bless - ed is he that com - eth

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,
We celebrate his death and resurrection,
as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God of Sarah, Rebekah, Leah, and Rachel; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.

AMEN.

And now, as our Savior 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,
 and the power, and the glory,
 for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Agnus Dei, S158, Willan

O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a -
way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up -
on us. O Lamb of God, that
ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have
mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of
God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the
world, grant us thy peace.

THE PRAYER OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

A spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving Holy Communion. The Celebrant invites the following prayer to be said by those viewing the service online.

In union, blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered at every altar of your Church where your blessed Body and Blood are offered this day, I long to offer praise and thanksgiving, for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption won for us by your life, death, and resurrection, for the means of grace and the hope of glory. I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive Communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The Gifts of God for the People of God. (Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.)

THE ADMINISTRATION OF COMMUNION *Sit*

Wherever you find yourself on your journey of faith, you are welcome at God's table.

In the interest of public health, St. Paul's does not practice intinction, that is, the dipping of the Bread into the Wine. Gluten-free wafers are available at the Altar rail. If you do not wish to receive Communion but would like to receive a blessing, you can indicate this to the priest by crossing your arms over your chest. If you are mobility impaired, and would like Communion brought to your pew, simply notify an usher.

ANTHEM

Ubi caritas

Maurice Duruflé

*Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.
Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor.
Exsultemus, et in ipso jucundemur.
Timeamus, et amemus Deum vivum.
Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero.*

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 fear, and let us love the living God.
And may we love each other with a sincere heart.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER *Stand*

Let us pray.

Eternal God,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Savior. Amen.

THE STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR *All kneeling*

Psalm 22

The lights are dimmed as the Altar, Sanctuary and Chancel are stripped of adornment.

During this time, the choir chants the psalm.

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| 1. My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? * | 17 They stare and gloat over me; * |
| and are so far from my cry | they divide my garments among them; |
| and from the words of my distress? | they cast lots for my clothing. |
| 2 O my God, I cry in the daytime, but you do not | 18 Be not far away, O LORD; * |
| answer; * | you are my strength; hasten to help me. |
| by night as well, but I find no rest. | 19 Save me from the sword, * |
| 3 Yet you are the Holy One, * | my life from the power of the dog. |
| enthroned upon the praises of Israel. | 20 Save me from the lion's mouth, * |
| 4 Our forefathers put their trust in you; * | my wretched body from the horns of wild bulls. |
| they trusted, and you delivered them. | 21 I will declare your Name to my brethren; * |
| 5 They cried out to you and were delivered; * | in the midst of the congregation I will praise you. |
| they trusted in you and were not put to shame. | 22 Praise the LORD, you that fear him; * |
| 6 But as for me, I am a worm and no man, * | stand in awe of him, O offspring of Israel; |
| scorned by all and despised by the people. | all you of Jacob's line, give glory. |
| 7 All who see me laugh me to scorn; * | 23 For he does not despise nor abhor the poor in their |
| they curl their lips and wag their heads, saying, | poverty; neither does he hide his face from them; * |
| 8 "He trusted in the LORD; let him deliver him; * | but when they cry to him he hears them. |
| let him rescue him, if he delights in him." | 24 My praise is of him in the great assembly; * |
| 9 Yet you are he who took me out of the womb, * | I will perform my vows in the presence of those who |
| and kept me safe upon my mother's breast. | worship him. |
| 10 I have been entrusted to you ever since I was born; * | 25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied, |
| you were my God when I was still in my | and those who seek the LORD shall praise him: * |
| mother's womb. | May your heart live for ever!" |
| 11 Be not far from me, for trouble is near, * | 26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to |
| and there is none to help. | the LORD, * |
| 12 Many young bulls encircle me; * | and all the families of the nations bow before |
| strong bulls of Bashan surround me. | him. |
| 13 They open wide their jaws at me, * | 27 For kingship belongs to the LORD; * |
| like a ravening and a roaring lion. | he rules over the nations. |
| 14 I am poured out like water; | 28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down |
| all my bones are out of joint; * | in worship; * |
| my heart within my breast is melting wax. | all who go down to the dust fall before him. |
| 15 My mouth is dried out like a pot-sherd; | 29 My soul shall live for him; |
| my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth; * | my descendants shall serve him; * |
| and you have laid me in the dust of the grave. | they shall be known as the LORD's for ever. |
| 16 Packs of dogs close me in, | 30 They shall come and make known to a people yet |
| and gangs of evildoers circle around me; * | unborn * |
| they pierce my hands and my feet; | the saving deeds that he has done. |
| I can count all my bones. | |

The People depart in silence.

The story of The Great Three Days continues with services on Good Friday:

The Seven Last Words of Christ Community Ecumenical Service, Noon–3 p.m.

Stations of the Cross for Families, 5:30 p.m.

The Good Friday Liturgy, 7:30 p.m.

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

<i>Presider</i>	The Rev. Patricia Rose	<i>Ushers</i>	Nancy and Ted Goble, Carol and Jeff Spero
<i>Preacher</i>	The Rev. Jeanne Leinbach		
<i>Gospeller</i>	The Rev. Gabriel Lawrence	<i>Altar Guild</i>	Candace DiLello, Karen McKeehan and Jim Nicks, April Siegel-Green
<i>Assisting Clergy</i>	The Rev. Brandon Ashcraft		
<i>Senior Choir</i>	Kevin Jones, <i>Director</i>	<i>Livestream Operator</i>	Charles Parsons
<i>Organist</i>	Kevin Jones		
<i>Lectors</i>	Laurie Scriven, Pete Scriven		
<i>Intercessor</i>	EB Donley		
<i>Acolyte</i>	John Gates		

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