



*An inviting safe community for all*

*Welcome! We're glad that you chose to worship us today!*

## **Worship at Home: Maundy Thursday**

Worship live by video or phone, or on your own schedule.

VIDEO: View on any device live at 6:30PM on April 9  
([facebook.com/sjecmanitowoc/videos](https://facebook.com/sjecmanitowoc/videos))

*videos can also be viewed at a later time/date using the same link*

AUDIO: Listen by phone live at 6:30PM on April 9  
(call 1-312-626-6799 & enter Meeting ID 155 609 708 & Password 0)  
*Everybody is invited to read/pray/sing at the appropriate times during Worship.  
We're keeping all phones muted throughout Worship so everybody can hear.*

***NOTE: If you are able, we invite you to prepare a container of water in advance to use for symbolic washing of hands on your own or with others you live with.***

## **Welcome from Amma Diane**

### **Gathering**

***Celebrant*** Bless the Lord who forgives our sins.

***People*** **God's mercy endures forever.**

***Celebrant*** Lord, have mercy.

***People*** **Christ, have mercy.**

***Celebrant*** Lord, have mercy.  
The Lord be with you.

***People*** **And also with you.**

***Celebrant*** Let us pray.

***People*** **Tonight we begin the Great Three Days of our Lord's passion, death, and resurrection, the journey from the supper table to the cross, from the cross to Easter dawn. We are followers in Christ's way, exploring his truth, encountering his life.**

**This is the night when Christ the Lamb of God gave himself into the hands of those who would betray him. This is the night when Christ gathered with his disciples in the upper room. This is the night when Christ our Lord gave us a holy feast, that we may here proclaim his holy sacrifice, and come at the last to his table in heaven. This is the night when Christ took a towel and basin and showed us how to honor and serve one another in love.**

**This is the night for watching and prayer. We give ourselves freely to the demands of these great days, confident that those who die in Christ will surely live with him. AMEN!**

**Gospel**

John 13. 1-17, 31b-35

**Celebrant** The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.  
**People** **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

**Celebrant** *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."*

*Jesus said, "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."*

**Celebrant** The Gospel of the Lord.  
**People** **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## Maundy Thursday Washing

*Celebrant* 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 invite you who share in the royal priesthood of Christ, that we may recall whose servants we are by following the example of our Master. But come remembering his admonition that what will be done for you is also to be done by you 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.”

Ritual washing has been a special part of our faith tradition, and at St James we typically wash each other's hands when we remember Maundy Thursday. I invite all of you at home to symbolically wash your own hands or to wash the hands of those you live with, as a symbolic representation of our service in Jesus Christ.

## ♪ Ubi Caritas / Live in Charity

We will sing the following song several times, using either/both language(s).

The musical score is written in 2/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). It consists of two systems of music, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a bass line (bass clef). The lyrics are provided in both English and Latin.

**System 1:**

Vocal line: Live in char - i - ty and stead - fast love.  
 U - bi ca - ri - tas et a - mor,

Bass line: (Accompanying bass line)

**System 2:**

Vocal line: Live in char - i - ty; God will dwell with you.  
 u - bi ca - ri - tas De - us i - bi est.

Bass line: (Accompanying bass line)

## Prayers of the People

*Reader* Merciful God, on this, the night he was betrayed, your Son Jesus Christ washed his disciples' feet. As we commit ourselves to following his example of love and service, teach us humility.

*People* **God of service and humility, hear our prayer.**

*Reader* On this night, Jesus prayed for his disciples to be one. As we grieve for the divisions in the church, unite us.

*People* **God of reconciliation and unity, hear our prayer.**

*Reader* On this night, Jesus prayed for those who would come to believe through the disciples' message. As we take up the mission of the church, renew our zeal.

*People* **God of mission and renewal, hear our prayer.**

*Reader* On this night, Jesus commanded his friends to love, but he suffered rejection himself. As we open our hearts to the rejected and the unloved, fill us with your love.

*People* **God of love and acceptance, hear our prayer.**

*Reader* On this night, Jesus reminded his people that, if the world hated them, it had hated him first. As we face our own fears, we pray for those who are persecuted for their faith; give us your peace.

*People* **God of faith and peace, hear our prayer.**

*Reader* On this night, Jesus loved his friends to the very end. As we open our hearts to all who face darkness tonight, we pray for the sick, those who mourn, those trapped by violence, addiction, or pain: give healing and hope.

*People* **God of healing and hope, hear our prayer.**

*Reader* Faithful God, these are the prayers of your Church.

*People* **We offer them trusting and hoping in you. Hear and help us, challenge and change us, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. AMEN!**

## Stripping of the Altar

*As the altar is stripped, we read Psalm 22 together*

**All** They divide my garments among them; they cast lots for my clothing.  
My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? and are so far from my cry and from the words of my distress? O my God, I cry in the daytime, but you do not answer; by night as well, but I find no rest.

Yet you are the Holy One, enthroned upon the praises of Israel. Our forefathers put their trust in you; they trusted, and you delivered them. They cried out to you and were delivered; they trusted in you and were not put to shame.

But as for me, I am a worm and no man, scorned by all and despised by the people. All who see me laugh me to scorn; they curl their lips and wag their heads, saying, "He trusted in the LORD; let him deliver him; let him rescue him, if he delights in him."

Yet you are he who took me out of the womb, and kept me safe upon my mother's breast. I have been entrusted to you ever since I was born; you were my God when I was still in my mother's womb. Be not far from me, for trouble is near, and there is none to help.

Many young bulls encircle me; strong bulls of Bashan surround me. They open wide their jaws at me, like a ravening and a roaring lion.

I am poured out like water; all my bones are out of joint; my heart within my breast is melting wax. My mouth is dried out like a pot-sherd; my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth; and you have laid me in the dust of the grave.

Packs of dogs close me in, and gangs of evildoers circle around me; they pierce my hands and my feet; I can count all my bones. They stare and gloat over me; they divide my garments among them; they cast lots for my clothing.

Be not far away, O LORD; you are my strength; hasten to help me. Save me from the sword, my life from the power of the dog. Save me from the lion's mouth, my wretched body from the horns of wild bulls.

I will declare your Name to my brethren; in the midst of the congregation I will praise you. Praise the LORD, you that fear him; stand in awe of him, O offspring of Israel; all you of Jacob's line, give glory. For he does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty; neither does he hide his face from them; but when they cry to him he hears them.

My praise is of him in the great assembly; I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him. The poor shall eat and be satisfied, and those who seek the LORD shall praise him: "May your heart live for ever!" All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD, and all the families of the nations bow before him. For kingship belongs to the LORD; he rules over the nations. To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; all who go down to the dust fall before him. My soul shall live for him; my descendants shall serve him; they shall be known as the LORD'S for ever. They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn the saving deeds that he has done.

They divide my garments among them; they cast lots for my clothing.

## **Sending**

*Celebrant* Our 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."

*People* **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.**

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

*People* **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.**

*Celebrant* By this the world will know that you are my disciples: That you have love for one another.

*People* **AMEN!**

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