



*The Last Supper, Sadao Watanabe; 1995.*

## **Holy Wednesday**

April 8, 2020

7:00 p.m.

### **St. Martin's-in-the-Field Episcopal Church**

The Reverend Matthew Hanisian, *Rector*

The Reverend Nathan Erdman, *Associate Rector and Chaplain*

The Reverend Dr. John Price, *Priest Associate*

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**Our mission is to gather as a welcoming community of Christ called to love and serve God, our neighbors and each other in joyful presence in the world.**

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## LIVESTREAM Services on Holy Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of Holy Week

The simple spoken service of Holy Eucharist sets the tone for the days to come as we gather to hear Holy Scripture proclaimed, pray together, and enjoy perhaps the only moments of silence we'll experience each day. As we set time aside from our busy lives, coming together online as the members of Christ's body here at St. Martin's, we will hear stories from John's gospel as he tells of the last week of Jesus' earthly life and ministry. The stories may be familiar to us: the anointing of Jesus' feet with costly perfume, the Greeks who come to the disciples to see Jesus, and Judas' betrayal of his Lord.

The collect for Monday in Holy Week reads in part, "...Mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace," (BCP p. 220) and thus we are invited to walk with Jesus this Holy Week. Our journey continues each of these three days as Jesus walks closer to the cross and our salvation. Each day presents us with a new understanding of Jesus' life and the impact that life can have on us today.

Our schedule for our livestreamed Holy Week services is as follows. Please note Good Friday and The Great Vigil of Easter services that will be livestreamed from the Cathedral in Baltimore at the request of Bishop Sutton—our whole diocesan family will come together and worship as one.

Make time every day to worship during Holy Week and your life will be transformed.

- April 8: **Liturgy for Wednesday in Holy Week** with a service of Holy Eucharist, 7:00 p.m.
- April 9: **Maundy Thursday with Stripping of the Altar**, 7:00 p.m.
- April 10: **Good Friday Liturgy Livestreamed from Cathedral of the Incarnation**, 12:00 p.m.  
**Proper Liturgy for Good Friday**, 7:00 p.m.
- April 11: **Proper Liturgy for Holy Saturday**, 10:00 a.m.  
**The Great Vigil of Easter Livestreamed from Cathedral of the Incarnation**, 7:00 p.m.
- April 12: **Easter Day**, 10:00 a.m.

This journey of Holy Week will be challenging at moments and we will learn a great deal about Jesus and about ourselves as well. If we are intentional about our faith and our full participation in these Holy Week worship services, we will find our faith in God strengthened and that Easter Day will bring us all a clearer and deeper understanding and belief in the abiding love of God for us all.

I look forward to walking this path with each of you this Holy Week.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Walter" with a small cross or asterisk at the end.

# WEDNESDAY IN HOLY WEEK

APRIL 8, 2020

## THE WORD OF GOD

### WELCOME

### THE PENITENTIAL ORDER

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins; *His mercy endures for ever.*

### OPENING SENTENCE

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*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 your Son 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 our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

### KYRIE ELEISON

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

### COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray.

Lord God, whose blessed Son our Savior gave his body to be whipped and his face to be spit upon: Give us grace to accept joyfully the sufferings of the present time, confident of the glory that shall be revealed; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### A READING FROM THE PROPHET ISAIAH

50:4-9a

The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens--wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 70

<sup>1</sup> *Be pleased, O God, to deliver me; O Lord, make haste to help me.*

<sup>2</sup> *Let those who seek my life be ashamed and altogether dismayed; let those who take pleasure in my misfortune draw back and be disgraced.*

<sup>3</sup> *Let those who say to me "Aha!" and gloat over me turn back, because they are ashamed.*

<sup>4</sup> *Let all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you; let those who love your salvation say for ever, "Great is the Lord!"*

<sup>5</sup> *But as for me, I am poor and needy; come to me speedily, O God.*

<sup>6</sup> *You are my helper and my deliverer; O Lord, do not tarry.*

## A READING FROM PAUL'S LETTER TO THE HEBREWS

12:1-3

Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider him who endured such hostility against himself from sinners, so that you may not grow weary or lose heart.

The Word of the Lord. ***Thanks be to God.***

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 13:21-32

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

At supper with his friends, Jesus was troubled in spirit, and declared, "Very truly, I tell you, one of you will betray me." The disciples looked at one another, uncertain of whom he was speaking. One of his disciples-- the one whom Jesus loved-- was reclining next to him; Simon Peter therefore motioned to him to ask Jesus of whom he was speaking. So while reclining next to Jesus, he asked him, "Lord, who is it?" Jesus answered, "It is the one to whom I give this piece of bread when I have dipped it in the dish." So when he had dipped the piece of bread, he gave it to Judas son of Simon Iscariot. After he received the piece of bread, Satan entered into him. Jesus said to him, "Do quickly what you are going to do." Now no one at the table knew why he said this to him. Some thought that, because Judas had the common purse, Jesus was telling him, "Buy what we need for the festival"; or, that he should give something to the poor. So, after receiving the piece of bread, he immediately went out. And it was night. When he had gone out, 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."

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

## SERMON

The Reverend Matthew Hanisian

*One minute of silence.*

## NICENE CREED

***We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.***

***We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.***

***For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.***

***We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.***

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE - FORM II

*During the silence between the petitions, the People add their own prayers either silently or aloud.*

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, today we pray for The Anglican Church in Mexico; and we pray for Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael, our Presiding Bishop; for Eugene, our Bishop; for Robert, our Assisting Bishop; for Matthew, Nathan, and John our clergy; and those in our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Slate Project, Baltimore; St Bartholomew's, Baltimore; and St David's, Roland Park; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church.

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. We pray for Donald, our President; the Congress and Supreme Court of the United States; for Larry, our governor; Steuart, our county executive; pray for justice and peace.

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison: in our parish family this week we pray for Bill, Ward, Carol, Kevin, Rob, Kellie, Carter, Jenny, Neal, Nadine, Lynn, Christopher, Mark, Jocelyn, Andrew, Bill, John, Cole, Elizabeth, Katherine, and Annie. Pray for those in any need or trouble. Pray for all all those whose lives have been affected by the COVID-19 virus and all health care providers, as they tend to those who have been infected; for those who are recovering from addiction and do not have access to recovery meetings; for those affected by natural disasters, who live in fear, or whose lives have been affected by gun violence and acts of terror, both domestically and abroad; for those serving in our Armed Forces; and for all of our children and grandchildren.

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by him.

I ask your prayers for the departed. Pray for those who have died.

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

## THE PEACE

The Peace of the Lord be always with you. ***And also with you.***

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please remember to stay current with your pledge and to give to the work of Christ through St. Martin's ministries which continue in the world daily. See: [stmartinsinthefield.com/giving](http://stmartinsinthefield.com/giving)*

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