



*The Last Supper*, Sir Stanley Spencer. Oil on Canvas, 1920. Stanley Spencer Gallery, Cookham, England.

## **Maundy Thursday**

April 9, 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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# The Triduum

## ***Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and The Great Vigil of Easter***

Over the course of the next three days, you are invited to enter fully into our worship of God in Christ as we commemorate and celebrate the last days of Jesus' earthly ministry recalling his passion, death, burial and resurrection over the three days of The Triduum. Each service during the Triduum, therefore, has a unique feel and emphasis.

Maundy Thursday evening we gather online for livestreamed worship that commemorates Jesus' institution of Holy Eucharist and his last day with his disciples. Foot washing is traditionally done during this service however we will omit this portion of the service this year. The conclusion of our service includes the Stripping of the Altar where we remove all of the ornamentation of the sanctuary and vestments of our altar in preparation for services on Good Friday.

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 online and worship as one.

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

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 of the Triduum with each of you tonight and the remainder of this Holy Week.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Walter" with a small cross symbol at the end.

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

*Our worship services are taken from the Book of Common Prayer (BCP).*

## THE PROPER LITURGY FOR MAUNDY THURSDAY

With Stripping of the Altar

7:00 P.M.

### THE WORD OF GOD

**THE PRELUDE:** Meditation on "Christe, du Lamm Gottes"

*Agnus Dei*

Craig A. Penfield

Thomas Morley  
HyeSung Hwang, Anand Gnanadesikan,  
Lori and Connor Skalitzky

**Maundy Thursday** remembers the Last Supper, footwashing and betrayal of Jesus. The word "Maundy" is derived from the Latin word for "command," referring to Jesus' command to his disciples to "Love one another as I have loved you."

### 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

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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 Collect of the Day** "collects" our individual thoughts into unified prayer that we might respond to the lessons we are about to hear.

*The Passover is at the center of our worship tonight, with the focus on this communal meal and the institution of this day of remembrance and festival for the Israelites by the Lord.*

## A READING FROM THE BOOK OF EXODUS

12:1-14

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. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. 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.***

## PSALM 116:1, 10-17

***<sup>1</sup> 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.***

***<sup>10</sup> How shall I repay the Lord for all the good things he has done for me?***

***<sup>11</sup> I will lift up the cup of salvation and call upon the Name of the Lord.***

***<sup>12</sup> I will fulfill my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people.***

***<sup>13</sup> Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his servants.***

***<sup>14</sup> O Lord, I am your servant; I am your servant and the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds.***

***<sup>15</sup> I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call upon the Name of the Lord.***

***<sup>16</sup> I will fulfill my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people,***

***<sup>17</sup> In the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. Hallelujah!***

## A READING FROM PAUL'S FIRST LETTER TO THE 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.***

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

## SERMON

The Reverend Nathan Erdman

*One minute of silence.*

## 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 this week we pray for The Anglican Church in Nigeria; 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 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.**

*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)*

**The Altar is stripped bare** in preparation for the Good Friday liturgy. Stripping of the Altar should not be confused in any way with the stripping of Christ at his crucifixion. "This arbitrary and artificial symbolism had a pernicious effect on the liturgy in the Middle Ages and should be avoided." Byron Stuhlman, Prayer Book Rubrics Expanded. p. 90

## STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR

*During the Stripping of the Altar, you are invited to pray silently, or join in singing the Taize chants with our choisters*

### TAIZÉ CHANT: Bless the Lord

Taizé

Bless the Lord my soul and bless his ho - ly name.

Bless the Lord my soul, He res - cues me from death.

### TAIZÉ CHANT: O Lord hear my prayer

Taizé

O Lord hear my pray'r, O Lord hear my pray'r:

when I call an - swer me. O Lord hear my pray'r, O

Lord hear my pray'r Come and lis - ten to me. O

Stay here and keep watch with me. The hour— has come. Stay

here and keep watch with me. Watch— and pray. Stay

*At the conclusion of the Stripping of the Altar a period of silence is kept, then all depart.*

*Overnight tonight, as you are able, you are invited to stay awake one hour with Christ in prayer or meditation in Jesus' plea to his disciples, "Can you not stay awake with me one hour?" (Matthew 26:40). Please start your hour of wakefulness with our Lord by praying the words of Psalm 22 as found on page 610 of the Book of Common Prayer.*

**Join our brothers and sisters of the Diocese of Maryland for our worship together tomorrow at 12:00 noon with the Livestream service from the Cathedral of the Incarnation: <https://incarnationbmore.org/>**

**Join your St. Martin's Parish Family at 7:00 p.m. tomorrow for our livestream worship with the Proper Liturgy of Good Friday <https://www.facebook.com/stmartinsinthefield/>**

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