

Christ Episcopal Church

Reading, Pennsylvania

Christ is All and in All



Maundy Thursday
March 28, 2024
7:00pm



Today's Readings

Old Testament: 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 neighbour 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 judgements: 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.

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

For 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 Gospel : John 13:1-17, 31b-35

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.”

Cover Image: Albrecht Dürer, *Christ Washing the Feet of the Disciples*, 1509-1510

The Prayers of the People

Celebrant: In the power of the Spirit let us pray to our loving God through Christ the Savior 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
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.

Celebrant: Lord God, whose Son commanded us to love one another, take from us all greed, envy and pride, that by showing gentleness to all those we meet we may open their eyes to the transformative love that has been shown to us, in the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

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Page numbers on the right side of this bulletin are from "The Book of Common Prayer" (BCP) - the black book in the pew racks. Service music (preceded by "S") is located at the FRONT of The Hymnal 1982 (blue book).

Organ Prelude *Prélude (Suite, Op. 5)* Maurice Duruflé

The Liturgy of the Word

Please stand

Processional Hymn 665 *All my hope on God is founded*

The Acclamation and Response

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

People: **And also with you.**

The Collect for Purity

All: **Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: 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.**

The Kyrie S91 (front of hymnal) Healy Wilan

Lord have mercy upon us, Lord have mercy upon us, Lord have mercy upon us.
Christ have mercy upon us, Christ have mercy upon us, Christ have mercy upon us
Lord have mercy upon us, Lord have mercy upon us, Lord have mercy upon us.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you:

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: 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.**

Please be seated

The First Reading: Exodus 12:1-4, 11-14 (full text on page 2 of this bulletin)

At the end of the reading

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 116:1, 10-17 (sung by the choir)

The Epistle Reading: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 (full text on page 2 of this bulletin)

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People: **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand

Gospel Hymn

An upper room

Tune: O waly waly

1. An upper room did our Lord prepare
For those he loved until the end
And his disciples still gather there
To celebrate their risen friend.

2. A lasting gift Jesus gave his own
To share his bread, his loving cup
Whatever burdens may bow us down
He by his cross shall lift us up.

3. And after supper he washed their feet
For service, too, is sacrament
In him our joy shall be made complete
Sent out to serve, as he was sent.

4. No end there is! We depart in peace,
He loves beyond our uttermost
In every room in our Father's house
He will be there, as Lord and host.

The Holy Gospel: John 13:1-17, 31b-35 (full text on page 2 of this bulletin)

Before the reading

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

After the reading

Gospeller: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Please be seated

The Homily

After the homily the following response is said before the foot washing

Celebrant: The 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.**

The service continues with the washing of feet. It you desire to have your feet washed and to wash another's feet please remove your footwear before leaving your pew and approach barefooted.

After the foot washing has ended the service continues with the Prayers of the People

The Prayers of the People (page 4 of this bulletin)

Confession of Sin

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The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

The Offertory Anthem *If Ye Love Me*

Thomas Tallis

If ye love me, keep my commandments.
And I will pray the Father,
and he shall give you another comforter,
that he may 'bide with you forever;

Please stand

Presentation Hymn

(143 vs 1 only)

The glory of these forty days
we celebrate with songs of praise;
for Christ, through whom all things were made,
himself has fasted and has prayed.

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving (*Prayer A from BCP p. 361*)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you:

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts:

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God:

People: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

The Sanctus S130 (at the front of the hymnal)

Franz Schubert

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

The Celebrant concludes The Great Thanksgiving beginning on page 362

The Lord's Prayer

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The Fraction Anthem

Capo 5 G D Em B⁷ C G D Em G D

1. Here is bread, here is wine, Christ is with us, he is with us.

C G Am E⁷ F C G C⁷
G D Em B⁷ C G D G⁷

Break the bread, taste the wine, Christ is with us here.

F Em Am⁷ Dm⁷ G⁷ B^b
C Refrain Bm Em⁷ Am⁷ D⁷ F

In this bread there is heal-ing, in this cup is life for e-ver.

Fmaj⁷ F[#]dim Em⁷ Am⁷ Dm⁷ G⁷ C
Cmaj⁷ C[#]dim Bm⁷ Em⁷ Am⁷ D⁷ G

In this mo-ment, by the Spi-rit, Christ is with us here.

The Prayer of Humble Access

All: We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord whose nature is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, graious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

The Invitation to Communion

The Communion

Everyone is invited to receive. If you would prefer to receive a blessing please indicate this by crossing your arms while at the communion rail. There will be two chalices for receiving: the first to drink from and the second chalice is for intinction (dipping the host instead of drinking).

The Communion Hymn 315 *Thou, who at thy first Eucharist*

The Post-Communion Prayer

Celebrant: 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.**

Then all pray together on page 365

The Stripping of the Sanctuary

*After the Stripping of the Sanctuary the sacrament is processed to the Chapel .
As we process we sing the following:*

1 Go to dark Geth - se - ma - ne, ye that feel the tempt-er's power;
 2 Fol - low to the judg - ment hall; view the Lord of life ar - rained;
 3 Cal-vary's mourn - ful moun - tain climb; there, a - dor - ing at his feet,

your Re-deem - er's con - flict see, watch with him one bit - ter hour;
 O the worm-wood and the gall! O the pangs his soul sus - tained!
 mark the mir - a - cle of time, God's own sac - ri - fice com - plete;

turn not from his griefs a - way, learn of Je - sus Christ to pray.
 Shun not suf - fering, shame, or loss; learn of him to bear the cross.
 "It is fi - nished!" hear him cry; learn of Je - sus Christ to die.

Words: James Montgomery (1771-1854). Music: *Petra*, Richard Redhead (1820-1901).

Service Participants

Celebrant and Homilist
The Reverend Bryce Wandrey

Organist and Choir Director
John Painter

Lector
Victoria Wilson

Intercessor
Charlotte Hoare

Communion Assistants
Victoria Wilson and
Terry Rowles

Ushers
Larry Whalen

Altar Guild team
Charlotte Hoare (captain)
Christine Keeler, Josephine
Lawson and Mary Jane Androne

Upcoming Events

March 29 Good Friday 12PM

March 30 Holy Saturday Vigil of Easter 7PM

March 31 Easter Day 8AM and 10AM

March 31 Easter Egg Hunt after the 10AM service

April 10 Berks Jazz Fest concert at Christ Church 7PM

April 14 Worship Committee Meeting 11:30AM

April 23 Vestry Meeting 6PM

April 24 Guitar Eucharist with David Cullen 5:30PM

May 12 Anniversary of Building Consecration at 8AM and 10AM