

A person wearing white, textured robes is kneeling on a sandy floor. They are holding a large, decorated ceramic jug with a wide opening, pouring water into a shallow, round, brown ceramic dish. The water is captured mid-pour, creating a splash in the dish. The jug has intricate designs, including a grid pattern on the upper part and swirling patterns in green and gold. The scene is lit with warm, golden light, suggesting an outdoor or well-lit indoor setting. The overall mood is serene and focused on the act of pouring water.

# Maundy Thursday

April 14, 2022  
6:00 PM

*The choir is seated; the worship leader enters in silence. Please stand as you are able.*

## Opening Acclamation

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

*People:* **His mercy endures for ever.**

## Collect for Purity

*Celebrant:* Let us pray. 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.**

## Kyrie

*Celebrant:* Lord have mercy.

*People:* **Christ have mercy.**

*Celebrant:* Lord have mercy.

## Collect of the Day

*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.**

## First Reading: Exodus 12:1-14a

*Please be seated.*

*Reader:* A reading from the book of Exodus.

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.

*Reader:* Here ends the reading.

## Psalm 116:1, 10-17

*Celebrant:* I love the LORD, because he has heard the voice of my supplication, \*

*People:* **because he has inclined his ear to me whenever I called upon him.**

*Celebrant:* How shall I repay the LORD \*

*People:* **for all the good things he has done for me?**

*Celebrant:* I will lift up the cup of salvation \*

*People:* **and call upon the Name of the LORD.**

*Celebrant:* I will fulfill my vows to the LORD \*

*People:* **in the presence of all his people.**

*Celebrant:* Precious in the sight of the LORD \*

*People:* **is the death of his servants.**

*Celebrant:* O LORD, I am your servant; \*

*People:* **I am your servant and the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds.**

*Celebrant:* I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving\*

*People:* **and call upon the Name of the LORD.**

*Celebrant:* I will fulfill my vows to the LORD \*

*People:* **in the presence of all his people,**

*Celebrant:* In the courts of the LORD's house, \*

*People:* **in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. Hallelujah!**

## Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

*Reader:* A reading from the first Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

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.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

## Gradual: *I Walked Today Where Jesus Walked*

*Lora Sellers, soloist.*

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

*Please stand as you are able.*

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

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

*Reader:* 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."

*Deacon:* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**Homily:** The Rev. Chris Cole

**Foot Washing—All may; some should; none must.**

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*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 all need to remember his example, but none stand more in need of this reminder than those whom the Lord has called to the ordained ministry.

Therefore, I invite you who share in the royal priesthood of Christ, to come forward, that I may recall whose servant I am by following the example of my 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."

*All are encouraged to be washed, though none is required to do so. If you wish not to participate, please sing or meditate silently on the word "humility". During the washing, a music voluntary will be played.*

*Please sit, stand, or kneel.*

*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.**

*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 shall the world know that you are my disciples: That you have love for one another.

**Prayers for the Whole State of Christ's Church** (BCP p. 329-330) *Please stand or kneel as you are able.*

*Leader:* Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

**Invitation to Confession**

*Please stand or kneel as you are able.*

*Celebrant:* 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. *1 John 1:8-9*

*Silence is kept.*

**Confession and Absolution**

*Celebrant:* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbors.

*Silence is observed.*

*Celebrant & People:* **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.**

*Celebrant:* 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.**



**Celebrant:** † Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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." ††† Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Celebrant & People: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

**Celebrant:** We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

### Lord's Prayer

**Celebrant:** And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

**Celebrant & People: 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.**

### Breaking of the Bread

*A moment of silence is kept following the breaking of the bread.*

**Celebrant:** Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

**People: Therefore let us keep the feast.**

**Celebrant:** The Gifts of God for the People of God.

### Distribution of Communion

*At Grace Episcopal Church, all baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Please tell the usher if you need communion brought to you at your seat. IF you wish to receive the bread only, hold your palms upward, consume the bread, and cross your arms over your chest when the chalice bearer approaches. Those who do not wish to receive Holy Communion are invited to come to the altar rail to receive a Blessing, indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest when the priest approaches.*

**Communion Hymn: #325**

**Let us break bread together on our knees**

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

*Celebrant & People:* **Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

## Holy Week Blessing

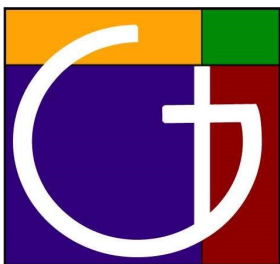
*Celebrant:* Almighty God, we pray you graciously to behold this your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, and given into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death upon the cross; who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## Contemplation:

***Holy, Holy, Holy***

*Kaia Holder, Cellist*

*When the lights are dimmed, the altar is stripped bare and the reserve Sacraments are removed from the chancel. People leave in silence when the music concludes.*



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