

The Holy Eucharist with Footwashing

Maundy Thursday

April 2, 2015 • 7:30 pm

WASHINGTON NATIONAL CATHEDRAL

Tonight we gather to commemorate the Last Supper of Jesus with his friends on the night before he died. The word “maundy” derives from “mandatum,” the Latin word for command, referring to the command of Jesus to love and symbolized by the washing of feet.

THE ENTRANCE RITE

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Two chorale preludes, *O Welt, ich muss dich lassen*

Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)

INTROIT

A new commandment

Richard Shephard (1916-1996)

A new commandment I give unto you: that you love one another as I have loved you. By this shall all men know that you are my disciples if you have love for one another.

—*John 13: 34-35*

PROCESSIONAL HYMN • 315

Sung by all, standing.

Thou, who at thy first Eucharist didst pray

Song 1

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Blessed be the God of our salvation,
Who bears our burdens and forgives our sins,
Who creates us in love,
And redeems us in mercy.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Our Lord Jesus Christ says: “If you love me, keep my commandments.” “Unless I wash you, you have no part in me.”
Let us confess our sins against God’s gracious love, and ask our God to cleanse us.

Silence is kept.

Have mercy on us, O God, in your great goodness; according to the abundance of your compassion blot out our offences. Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Against you only have we sinned and done what is evil in your sight. Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Purge us from our sin. Wash us and we shall be clean. Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

May the Father forgive us by the death of his Son and strengthen us to live in the power of the Spirit all our days.
Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR MAUNDY THURSDAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray that we may love one another as Christ has loved us.

Gracious God, your Son Jesus Christ was obedient to the end; and drank the cup prepared for him: may we who share his table watch with him through the night of suffering and be faithful. **Amen.**

The people are seated.

THE WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST READING

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 neighbor 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 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

plainsong

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.

How shall I repay the Lord
for all the good things he has done for me?

I will lift up the cup of salvation
and call upon the Name of the Lord.

I will fulfill my vows to the Lord
in the presence of all his people.

Precious in the sight of the Lord
is the death of his servants.

O Lord, I am your servant;
I am your servant and the child of your handmaid;
you have freed me from my bonds.

I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving
and call upon the Name of the Lord.

I will fulfill my vows to the Lord
in the presence of all his people,

In the courts of the Lord's house,
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

THE SECOND READING

1 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 people stand.

HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE *Sung by all.*

You laid aside your rightful reputation

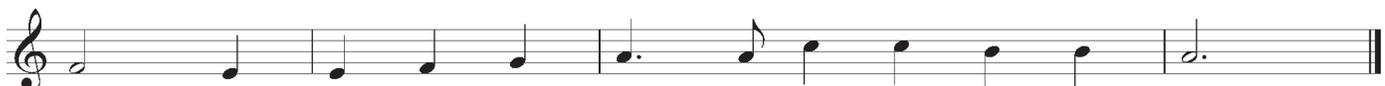
Intercessor



1. You laid a - side your right - ful rep - u - ta - tion and gave no heed to
 2. You touched the lep - er, ate with those re - ject - ed, re - ceived the wor - ship
 3. Help us to fol - low, Je - sus, where you lead us to love, to serve, our
 4. Draw us to you and with your love trans - form us: the love we've seen, the



what the world might say; served as a slave and laid a - side your
 of a wo - man's tears: You shed the pride that keeps us from the
 own lives lay - ing down; to walk your way of hum - ble, cost - ly
 love we've touched and known; en - large our hearts and with com - pas - sion



gar - ments to wash the feet of those who walked your way.
 free - dom to love our neigh - bor, lay - ing down our fears.
 ser - vice, a cross its end, a ring of thorns its crown.
 fill us to love, to serve, to fol - low you a - lone.

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

Narrator 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,

Peter "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?"

Jesus "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand."

Peter "You will never wash my feet."

Jesus "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me."

Peter "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!"

Jesus "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."

Narrator 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,

Jesus "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."

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

The people are seated at the invitation of the preacher.

HOMILY

Canon Cope

The people stand.

THE PRAYER AT THE FOOTWASHING

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters we do also for you: give us the will to be the servant of others as you were the servant of all, and gave up your life and died for us, but are alive and reign, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE WASHING OF FEET

Those who desire to have their feet washed may follow the direction of the ushers. Please be prepared to remove your socks and shoes. You may choose to have one foot or both feet washed. Those who desire to participate by washing the feet of others are asked to touch the shoulder of someone who is washing feet and take his or her place at the basin.

ANTHEMS AT THE FOOT WASHING

Jesu, the very thought of thee

Edward C. Bairstow (1874-1946)

Jesu, the very thought of thee, with sweetness fills my breast, but sweeter far thy face to see, and in thy presence rest.

—*Bernard Of Clairvaux (1090-1153)*

Ubi caritas

plainsong

Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est. Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor. Exsultemus et in ipso jucundemur. Timeamus et amemus Deum vivum. Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero. Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est. Amen.

Where charity and love are, there is God. The love of Christ has brought us together into one flock. Let us rejoice and let us be glad in that love itself. Let us fear and love the living God. And let us love from a pure heart. Where charity and love are, there is God. Amen.

The people stand.

THE PEACE

Jesus says: "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid."

The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

The people greet one another with a sign of God's peace and then are seated.

THE OFFERTORY

The people remain seated while an offering is received to support the Cathedral's ministry of sharing God's love with the world.

ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY

Save us, O Lord

E. Bairstow

Save us, O Lord, waking; guard us sleeping; that awake we may watch with Christ, and asleep we may rest in peace. Amen.

—Antiphon for the Office of Compline

The people stand.

HYMN AT THE PRESENTATION

Sung by all.

As in that upper room you left your seat

Sursum corda



1. As in that up - per room you left your seat and took a towel and
 2. I bow be - fore you, all my sin con - fessed, to hear a - gain the
 3. So in re - mem-brance of your life laid down I come to praise you



chose a ser - vant's part, so for to - day, Lord, wash a - gain my
 words of love you said; and at your ta - ble, as your hon - ored
 for your grace di - vine; saved by your cross, and sub - ject to your



feet, who in your mer - cy died to cleanse my heart.
 guest, I take and eat the true and liv - ing bread.
 crown, strength - ened for ser - vice by this bread and wine.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

The presider offers our thanks to God for the grace and mercy made available to us in Christ, and in response we sing:

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

Franz Schubert (1797-1828)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, _____

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, _____

hea - ven and earth are full, _____ full _____ of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Blessed is the One who comes _____ in the name of the Lord. _____ Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The presider gives thanks to God for the reconciling work of Christ's passion and resurrection and prays over the bread and wine.

God of mercy, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you, and we pray to you, Lord our God.

Eternal God, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Lord Jesus, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray; each in our own language, the prayer of your heart,
Notre Père..., Padre nuestro..., Vater unser...

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.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE FRACTION ANTHEM

F. Schubert



Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us. Je - sus, bear - er of our
sins: have mer - cy on us. Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the
world: give us your peace, give us your peace.

INVITATION

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper.
Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

The people are seated.

All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Gluten-free wafers are available; please make your need known to the minister.

ANTHEM AT THE COMMUNION

Christus factus est

Felice Anerio (1560-1614)

Sung in Latin. Christ was made obedient even to death, death on the cross. God therefore exalted him and gave him a name excelling all others.

—*Philippians 2: 8-9*

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION *Said by all, standing.*

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 forever. Amen.

PROCESSION OF THE EUCHARISTIC BREAD AND WINE

The people remain standing as the Blessed Sacrament, representing Jesus, is carried to the Altar of Repose in the Chapel of St. John. This chapel represents for us this night the garden of Gethsemane where Jesus asks all his disciples to wait and watch with him.

Sung in Latin. Sing, my tongue, the mystery of the glorious body, and of the precious Blood that for the world's salvation the fruit of a noble womb, the king of the nations, shed. Given to us, born to us, from an unblemished virgin, and having lived in the world, scattering the seed of the Word, the time of his habitation miraculously he closed in due order. In the night of his last supper, resting with his brothers, the law being fully observed with permitted foods, to the group of twelve he gave himself as food with his own hands. The Word in flesh true bread by a word makes his flesh, and also makes true wine the Blood of Christ, and if sense is lacking, to confirm a true heart faith alone suffices. Therefore so great a Sacrament let us fall down and worship, and let the old law give way to a new rite, and let faith stand forward to make good the defects of sense. To the Father and the Son be praise and joy, health, honor and virtue and blessing, and to him proceeding from both be equal praise. Amen.

The people sit or kneel for the stripping of the altar.

THE STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR

The altar is stripped of ornament until all is desolate.

ANTHEM

The Lamentations of Jeremiah

Thomas Tallis (1505–1585)

Sung in Latin. From the lamentation of the prophet Jeremiah: *Aleph.* How desolate lies the city that was once thronged with people. The one-time queen of nations has become as a widow. Once a ruler of provinces, she is now subject to others. *Beth.* By night she weeps in sorrow and tears run down her cheeks. Of all who love her, there is none to console her. All her friends have spurned her and have become her foes. Jerusalem, Jerusalem, turn to the Lord, your God. *Ghimel.* Judah has gone into exile because of her suffering and the burden of her servitude. She is settled among the heathen and has found no rest. *Daleth.* All her pursuers have captured her between the straits. The streets of Zion mourn; for there are none to attend her ceremonies. All her gates are ruined; her priests sigh and groan. Her virgins are afflicted, and she is overwhelmed with bitterness. *Heth.* Her enemies are in the ascendant, her adversaries prosper; for the Lord has passed judgment on her for the multitude of her iniquities. Her children are led captive before the face of her oppressor. Jerusalem, Jerusalem, turn to the Lord, your God.

All depart in silence.

The people are invited to keep watch in the Chapel of St. John until 11 PM. Worship continues tomorrow at noon with the Liturgy for Good Friday and with a Good Friday service of contemplative prayer and chant at 6:30 PM.

THE WATCH BEGINS

WORSHIP LEADERS Rev. Canon Gina Gilland Campbell, Rev. Canon Jan Naylor Cope, Rev. Dr. Kelly Brown Douglas, The Very Reverend Gary Hall, Rev. Preston B. Hannibal, Rev. Stuart Kenworthy

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