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## MAUNDY THURSDAY

April 1, 2021 • 7:00 P.M. HOLY EUCHARIST

FOOT WASHING AND STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR

*Welcome to St. John's Episcopal Church, Lafayette Square.*

*All who seek God are welcome at God's table.*

**VOLUNTARY:** *Pange Lingua Gloriosi*

Jehan Titelouze  
(1563-1633)

### RECTOR'S WELCOME

### HYMN 577

*God is love*

*Please stand as the procession enters. Sung by the choir.*

*Refrain*



God is love, and where true love is God him - self is there.



1 Here in Christ we gath - er, love of Christ our call - ing.

2 When we Chris - tians gath - er, mem - bers of one Bo - dy,

3 Grant us love's ful - fill - ment, joy with all the bless - ed,



Christ, our love, is with us, glad - ness be his greet - ing.

let there be in us no dis - cord but one spi - rit.

when we see your face, O Sa - vior, in its glo - ry.



Let us fear and love him, ho - ly God e - ter - nal.

Ban - ished now be an - ger, strife and ev - ery quar - rel.

Shine on us, O pur - est Light of all cre - a - tion,



*Repeat Refrain*

Lov - ing him, let each love Christ in one an - oth - er.  
 Christ, our God, be al - ways pres - ent here a - mong us.  
 be our bliss while end - less a - ges sing your prais - es.

Words: Latin; tr. James Quinn (b. 1919), alt.  
 Music: *Ubi caritas* (Murray), A. Gregory Murray (1905-1992)  
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## THE WORD OF GOD

*Please continue to stand.*

**Priest:** Blessed be the Lord who forgives all our sins;

**People:** **God's mercy endures for ever.**

**Priest** 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.

**People:** **Amen.**

## KYRIE (S-91)

*Sung by the quartet.*

Healey Willan  
 (1880-1968)

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

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

**Priest:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** **And also with you.**

**Priest:** Let us pray.

**Priest:** 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.

**People:** **Amen.**

**THE FIRST READING***Read by Jack Reiffer.***Exodus 12:1-4, 11-14***Please be seated.*

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.

**Reader:** The Word of the Lord.**People:** **Thanks be to God.****PSALM 116:1, 10-17***Read by Allie Raether.*

- 1 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.
- 10 How shall I repay the Lord  
for all the good things he has done for me?
- 11 I will lift up the cup of salvation  
and call upon the Name of the Lord.
- 12 I will fulfill my vows to the Lord  
in the presence of all his people.
- 13 Precious in the sight of the Lord  
is the death of his servants.
- 14 O Lord, I am your servant;  
I am your servant and the child of your handmaid;  
you have freed me from my bonds.
- 15 I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving  
and call upon the Name of the Lord.
- 16 I will fulfill my vows to the Lord  
in the presence of all his people,
- 17 In the courts of the Lord's house,  
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

*Please stand.*

## **THE HOLY GOSPEL**

**John 13:1-17, 31b-35**

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

**People:** **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."

**Gospeller:** The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## **THE SERMON**

**The Rev. Savannah Ponder**

## THE RITE OF THE WASHING OF THE FEET

*Please stand.*

**Priest:** On the night before his death, our Lord Jesus Christ emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, through washing his disciples' feet. In this humble act, Jesus served the disciples and commanded his followers to do likewise. When we allow another to wash our feet, we receive our belonging in Christ. When we wash another's feet, we serve the Christ who lives in them. Let us now live into the command to serve one another through observing this Rite.

*In order to maintain appropriate social distancing precautions this year, the Rite will be enacted by the clergy and twelve predetermined persons. Please remain in your pew in a spirit of prayer.*

## ANTHEM

*Anthems at the Mandatum*

Nicholas White

*Please be seated.*

(b. 1967)

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."

**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.**

I will listen to what the Lord God is saying,  
for he is speaking peace to his faithful people and to those who turn their hearts to him. *Refrain.*

Mercy and truth have met together;  
righteousness and peace have kissed each other. *Refrain.*

I give you a new commandment:  
Love one another as I have loved you. *Refrain.*

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

## CONFESSION

*Please stand.*

**Priest:** Let us confess our sins to Almighty God.

**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.**

## ABSOLUTION

**Priest:** 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.

**People:** **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

**Priest:** The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People:** **And also with you.**

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### OFFERTORY ANTHEM:

*Ubi Caritas*

Ola Gjeilo  
(b. 1978)

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

Where charity and love are, God is there.  
Christ's love has gathered us into one.  
Let us rejoice and be pleased in Him.  
Let us fear, and let us love the living God.  
And may we love each other with a sincere heart.

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*Please stand.*

**Priest:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** **And also with you.**

**Priest:** Lift up your hearts.

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

**Priest:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

**Priest:** It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, God Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord: For our sins he was lifted high upon the cross, that he might draw the whole world to himself; and, by his suffering and death, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who put their trust in him.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

**Priest:** We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command,

**Priest and People:**

**We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;**

**Priest:** And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with St. John and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever.

**People:** **Amen.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

*Priest and 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.**

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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

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

*Priest:* The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on Him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All persons, including children, are welcome to receive Holy Communion with us. During this time, our practice will be to offer the bread and the wine following health guidelines. An usher will provide communicants with hand sanitizer before the priest (who has washed his or her hands immediately prior) places a blessed wafer into your hands. Take a few steps, remove your mask, and consume the wafer. Blessed wine in small paper cups on a tray will be offered by a lay server. After drinking the wine, place the cup in the basket at the end of the line. Receiving the bread only is a valid way to share in Holy Communion. Parents may decide if their children receive the bread and/or wine. Children may instead signal their desire to be blessed by the priest by crossing their arms over their chest.

## MUSIC AT THE COMMUNION

### Hymn 166

*Sung by the choir.*

*Sing, my tongue, the glorious battle*



1 Sing, my tongue, the glo - rious bat - tle; of the might - y con - flict  
2 Thir - ty years a - mong us dwell - ing, his ap - point - ed time ful -  
3 He en - dures the nails, the spit - ting, vin - e - gar, and spear, and  
4 Faith - ful cross! a - bove all o - ther, one and on - ly no - ble  
5 Bend thy boughs, O tree of glo - ry! Thy re - lax - ing sin - ews  
\*6 Praise and hon - or to the Fa - ther, praise and hon - or to the



1 sing; tell the tri - umph of the vic - tim, to his  
2 filled, born for this, he meets his pas - sion, this the  
3 reed; from that ho - ly bo - dy bro - ken blood and  
4 tree! None in fo - liage, none in blos - som, none in  
5 bend; for a - while the an - cient ri - gor that thy  
6 Son, praise and hon - or to the Spi - rit, ev - er

1 cross thy tri - bute bring, Je - sus Christ, the world's Re -  
 2 Sa - vior free - ly willed: on the cross the Lamb is  
 3 wa - ter forth pro - ceed: earth, and stars, and sky, and  
 4 fruit thy peer may be: sweet - est wood and sweet - est  
 5 birth be - stowed, sus - pend; and the King of heaven - ly  
 6 Three and ev - er One: one in might and one in

1 deem - er from that cross now reigns as King.  
 2 lift - ed, where his pre - cious blood is spilled.  
 3 o - cean, by that flood from stain are freed.  
 4 i - ron! sweet - est weight is hung on thee.  
 5 beau - ty gent - ly on thine arms ex - tend.  
 6 glo - ry while e - ter - nal a - ges run.

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 alt. acc. *Hymnal* 1940  
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## THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

*Please stand.*

**Priest:** Let us pray.

**Priest and 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.**

## THE BLESSING

**Priest:** Life is short. And we do not have too much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel the way with us. So be swift to love. Make haste to be kind. And the blessing of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always.

**People:** Amen.

## THE STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR

*Please be seated.*

## PSALM 51

*Sung in Plainsong by the Choir.*

1. Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness; in your great compassion blot out my offenses.
2. Wash me through and through from my wickedness and cleanse me from my sin.

3. For I know my transgressions,  
and my sin is ever before me.
4. Against you only have I sinned  
and done what is evil in your sight.
5. And so you are justified when you speak  
and upright in your judgment.
6. Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth,  
a sinner from my mother's womb.
7. For behold, you look for truth deep within me,  
and will make me understand wisdom secretly.
8. Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure;  
wash me, and I shall be clean indeed.
9. Make me hear of joy and gladness,  
that the body you have broken may rejoice.
10. Hide your face from my sins  
and blot out all my iniquities.
11. Create in me a clean heart, O God,  
and renew a right spirit within me.
12. Cast me not away from your presence  
and take not your holy Spirit from me.
13. Give me the joy of your saving help again  
and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.
14. I shall teach your ways to the wicked,  
and sinners shall return to you.
15. Deliver me from death, O God,  
and my tongue shall sing of your righteousness, O God of my salvation.
16. Open my lips, O Lord,  
and my mouth shall proclaim your praise.
17. Had you desired it, I would have offered sacrifice,  
but you take no delight in burnt-offerings.
18. The sacrifice of God is a troubled spirit;  
a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.
19. Be favorable and gracious to Zion,  
and rebuild the walls of Jerusalem.
20. Then you will be pleased with the appointed sacrifices,  
with burnt-offerings and oblations;  
then shall they offer young bullocks upon your altar.

**The Clergy, Choir and Lay Servers will depart in silence.**

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**QUARTET FROM THE ST. JOHN'S CHOIR:** Tory Wood, *Soprano*; Charlotte Stewart, *Alto*; Andrew Brown, *Tenor*;  
and Christopher Jones, *Bass*.

**ASSISTING AT THE 7:00 P.M. SERVICE TONIGHT:** Matt Bode, *Crucifer*; James Doyle, *Chalice Bearer*; Sara  
McGanity, *Greeter*; and Jill Dowell and David Gallalee, *Ushers*.



## *Welcome!*

AT ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, we believe Christ is calling us to be a renewed church in a changing world. Empowered by the Spirit of God, we respond to Jesus' call as we deepen our bond with Christ through worship, become a community where all are accepted, and work together as laity and clergy to do God's work in the world.

ST JOHN'S WAS ORGANIZED IN 1815 to serve as a parish church for Episcopalians residing in the neighborhoods in the west end of the District of Columbia. Its cornerstone was laid on September 14, 1815, and it was consecrated on December 27, 1816. Beginning with James Madison, every person who has held the office of President of the United States has attended a service at the church. Several Presidents have been communicants. Thus, St. John's is often referred to as the "Church of the Presidents." Pew 54 is the President's Pew. The architect of the church was Benjamin Henry Latrobe, who assisted in the rebuilding of the U.S. Capitol and the White House after the War of 1812. Twenty-five of the stained glass windows in St. John's were designed and executed by artisans of the noted Lorin firm of Chartres, France.

ST JOHN'S WEBSITE [WWW.STJOHNS-DC.ORG](http://WWW.STJOHNS-DC.ORG) has up-to-date information about the Church including the weekly calendar, the Sunday service schedule, Speaker Series speakers and topics, the music calendar and newsworthy events.

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### *Vestry*

Paul Barkett, *Senior Warden*

Clark Ervin, *Junior Warden*

Laurie Adams, Krista Rimple  
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