

MAUNDY THURSDAY ST. LAURENCE, HAWKHURST IN THE

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SOLEMN EUCHARIST WITH FOOT WASHING, STRIPPING OF ALTARS AND WATCH AT THE ALTAR OF RE-POSE

THURSDAY 6TH APRIL 2023 AT 8PM

The Zoom details are: Meeting ID: 457 244 0784 Passcode: 5i1UCa



THE GATHERING.

INTROIT HYMN: (CH 355)

Let all mortal flesh keep silence, and with fear and trembling stand; ponder nothing earthly-minded: for with blessing in his hand, Christ our God to earth descendeth, our full homage to demand.

King of kings, yet born of Mary, as of old on earth he stood, Lord of lords in human vesture - in the Body and the Blood - He will give to all the faithful his own Self for heavenly Food.

Rank on rank the host of heaven spreads its vanguard on the way, as the Light of Light descendeth from the realms of endless day, that the powers of hell may vanish as the darkness clears away.

At his feet the six-winged Seraph; Cherubim with sleepless eye, veil their faces to the Presence, as with ceaseless voice they cry, alleluya, alleluya, alleluya, Lord most high.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

THE GREETING.

The Lord be with you And also with you.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: 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.**

PRAYERS OF PENITENCE.

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 to almighty God our sins against his love, and ask him to cleanse us.

Father, eternal, giver of light and grace, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour, in what we have thought, in what we have said and done, through ignorance, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We have wounded your love, and marred your image in us. We are sorry and ashamed, and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past: and lead us out from darkness to walk as children of light. Amen.

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon us, pardon and deliver us from all our sins, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and keep us in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

We say:

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS:
Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the highest.
And peace to his people on
earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father,

COLLECT OF THE DAY.

Let us pray:

(Silence is kept)

God our Father, you have invited us to share in the supper which your Son gave to his Church to proclaim his death until he comes: may he nourish us by his presence, and unite us in his love; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

We sit for:

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD.

Exodus 12:1-4, 11-14 read by Ali Jones 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 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.

This is the word of the Lord **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL HYMN: (CH 4) SUNG TWICE

A new commandment I give unto you,

that you love one another as I have loved 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 one for another.

By this shall all men know that you are my disciples,

if you have love for one another.

THE GOSPEL READING.

We Say:

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

I give you a new commandment, says the Lord:

Love one another as I have loved you.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

The Lord be with you And also with you.

John 13:1-17, 31b-35

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John Glory to you, O Lord.

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 vou 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 '

This is the Gospel of the Lord, **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please sit

REFLECTION

THE WASHING OF FEET:

HYMN DURING THE WASHING OF FEET: (EH 302)

Rejoice in Christ, and sing with one accord;

His tender love has brought us to one fold.

O let us love and fear the living Lord,

And may the love amongst us not grow cold.

For we believe, O God, thou surely art

Where charity and love possess the heart.

We are one fold, and our chief care must be

To shun the unconcern of lonely pride:

Let quarrels cease, let spiteful discord flee,

And Christ be the companion at our side.

For we believe

O may we too be gathered to the fold

Of those who see Christ's face exultingly;

Joy that is true and blessedness untold,

Where age succeeds to age eternally.

For we believe

PRAYER AT THE END OF THE FEET WASHING:

Almighty Father, whose Son Jesus Christ taught us that what we do for the least of our brethren we do also for him: give us the will to be the servant of others as he was the servant of all, who gave up his life and died for us, yet is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION.

Led by the Vicar

Jesus, servant Lord, in your final moments with your disciples you chose to give an example of loving service. Fill your Church with this servant heart. May the love we display be worthy of your calling and name.

Lord, we will lift up the cup of salvation

And call upon your name.

Jesus, servant Lord, in explaining your actions to bemused disciples you reminded them that all authority is derived from you.

Give all who lead and govern due humility in their position.

Prevent all with power from becoming puffed up and overbearing.

Lord, we will lift up the cup of salvation

And call upon your name.

Jesus, servant Lord, in taking the bread and cup you gave a feast in remembrance of you.

Bind together all who share in this fellowship and communion.

Keep us from betraying our hope in you.

Lord, we will lift up the cup of salvation

And call upon your name.

Jesus, servant Lord, in agony in the garden you shared with all who face anguish and whose hearts are troubled.

With your broken bread and blood outpoured we hold before you healing grace our pains and sorrows.

Lord, we will lift up the cup of salvation

And call upon your name.

Jesus, servant Lord, as we eat this bread and drink this cup we proclaim your death until you come again.

Draw to yourself all who have died. Glorify your name and bring us to life with you.

Lord, we will lift up the cup of salvation

And call upon your name.

Merciful Father, accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

Most merciful Lord, your love compels us to come in.

Our hands were unclean, our hearts were unprepared, we were not fit even to eat the crumbs from under your table.

But you, Lord, are the God of our salvation, and share your bread with sinners.

So cleanse and feed us with the precious body and blood of your Son, that he may live in us and we in him; and that we, with the whole company of Christ, may sit and eat in your kingdom. **Amen.**

LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT.

We stand to share:

THE PEACE.

The Priest introduces 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 the Lord be always with you:

and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

OFFERTORY HYMN: (CH 42)

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.

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.

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.

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.

RECEPTION OF HOLY OILS

Presenter: The oil of the sick

Priest: May the sick who are anointed with this oil be strength-

ened in soul and body, be given inward peace, and be filled with the joy of God's salvation.

Blessed be God for ever

Presenter: The oil for those to be baptised.

Priest: Through anointing with this oil, may those to be baptised be strengthened to fight against sin, the world and the devil, and be brought to share in the victory of Christ

Blessed be God for ever

Presenter: The oil for the holy chrism

Priest: Through anointing with this perfumed chrism may children and adults, who are baptised and confirmed, together with priests and bishops who are ordained, experience the Spirit's gifts of joy and gladness, that they may proclaim the coming of God's kingdom.

Blessed be God for ever

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.

Through your goodness we have this bread to offer which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life.

Blessed be God for ever

Blessed are you Lord, God of all creation.

Through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become our spiritual drink.

Blessed be God for ever

Pray, brothers and sisters, that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his Church.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS.

Father, we spread this table to remember the loving sacrifice of Jesus Christ, your Son.

Accept all we offer you this day. Bind us together in his love and in the love he has commanded us to bring one another; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The bread and wine are placed on the altar.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER.

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 thanks and praise.

It is indeed right to give you thanks, Father most holy, through Jesus Christ our Lord. For on this night he girded himself with a towel and, taking the form of a servant, washed the feet of his disciples. He gave us a new commandment that we should love one another as he has loved us.

Knowing that his hour had come, in his great love he gave this supper to his disciples to be a memorial of his passion, that we might proclaim his death until he comes again, and feast with him in his kingdom.

Therefore earth unites with heaven to sing a new song of praise; we too join with angels and archangels as they proclaim your glory without end:

We say:

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.

Sit/kneel

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: 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. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Great is the mystery of faith: Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of Our Lady, St. Laurence and all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER.

As our Saviour has taught us, so we pray:

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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD.

The Priest breaks the consecrated bread, saying:

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

Though we are many, we are one body,

because we all share in one bread.

We say:

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

GIVING OF COMMUNION.

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.

A Prayer for those joining us on Zoom who are making their Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above `all things and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

The Chalice Bearer tonight is: Sandra Dreyer

Post Communion Hymn: (CH 591)

Please remain seated.

Out of darkness God has called us,

claimed by Christ as God's own people.

Holy nation, royal priesthood, walking in God's marv'lous light.

Let us take the words you give, strong and faithful words to live. Words that in our hearts are sown; words that bind us as your own.

Out of darkness ...

Let us take the Christ you give, Broken Body, Christ we live. Christ the risen from the tomb; Christ who calls us as your own. **Out of darkness** ...

Let us take the love you give, that the way of love we live. Love to bring your people home; love to make us all your own.

Out of darkness ... Amen.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER.

Let us pray:

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**

Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice.

Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

HYMN AS THE BLESSED SACRAMENT IS CARRIED TO THE ALTAR OF REPOSE: (CH 16)

Please all kneel to sing:

All for Jesus, all for Jesus, this our song shall ever be; for we have no hope, nor Saviour, if we have not hope in thee.

All for Jesus, thou wilt give us strength to serve thee, hour by hour;

none can move us from thy presence,

while we trust thy love and power.

All for Jesus, at thine altar thou wilt give us sweet content; there, dear Lord, we shall receive thee

in the solemn sacrament.

All for Jesus, thou has loved us; all for Jesus, thou hast died; all for Jesus, thou art with us; all for Jesus crucified.

All for Jesus, all for Jesus, this the Church's song must be; till, at last, her sons are gathered one in love and one in thee.

When the Priest and Servers kneel at the high altar rail silence is kept, then:

Psalm 22 is SAID TOGETHER as the altars are stripped:

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Why are you so far from helping me.

from the words of my groaning?

O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer; and by night, but find no rest.

Yet you are holy, enthroned on the praises of Israel.

In you our ancestors trusted; they trusted, and you delivered them.

To you they cried, and were saved;

in you they trusted, and were not put to shame.

But I am a worm, and not human;

scorned by others, and despised by the people.

All who see me mock at me; they make mouths at me, they shake their heads;

Commit your cause to the Lord; let him deliver let him rescue the one in whom he delights!' Yet it was you who took me from the womb; you kept me safe on my mother's breast.

On you, I was cast from my birth, and since my mother bore me you have been my God. Do not be far from me, for trouble is near and there is no one to help. Many bulls encircle me, strong bulls of Bashan surround me; they open wide their mouths at me.

like a ravening and roaring lion.

I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint; my heart is like wax; it is melted within my breast;

my mouth is dried up like a potsherd,

and my tongue sticks to my jaws;

you lay me in the dust of death.

For dogs are all around me; a company

of evildoers encircles me My hands and feet have shrivelled;

I can count all my bones.

They stare and gloat over me; they divide my clothes among themselves,

and for my clothing they cast lots.

But you, O Lord, do not be far away!

O my help, come quickly to my aid!

Deliver my soul from the sword, my life from the power of the dog!

Save me from the mouth of the lion!

From the horns of the wild oxen you

have rescued me.

I will tell of your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation

in the midst of the congregation I will praise you, O Lord.

You who fear the Lord, praise him!

All you offspring of Jacob, glorify him; stand in awe of him, all you offspring of Israel! For he did not despise or abhor the affliction of the afflicted he did not hide his face from me, but hear when I cried to him. From you comes my praise in the great congregation; my vows I will pay before those who fear him.

fied;
those who seek him shall praise
the Lord.
May your hearts live for ever!
All the ends of the earth shall remember
and turn to the Lord;
and all the families of the nations
shall worship before him.
For dominion belongs to the
Lord.

The poor shall eat and be satis-

To him, indeed, shall all who sleep in the earth bow down; before him shall bow all who go down to the dust, and I shall live for him.

Posterity will serve him; future generations will be told about the Lord.

and he rules over the nations.

and proclaim his deliverance to a people yet unborn, saying that he has done it.

The service ends in silence and in disarray.

Please stay to watch and pray at the altar of repose

"Will you not watch with me but one hour?"