



MAUNDY THURSDAY

6pm, 9 April 2020

*in a time of national and global emergency precautions
to resist the spread of the coronavirus pandemic*

WELCOME TO THE EUCHARIST

live streamed from Limpsfield Rectory - Parish Office

A warm welcome to you all joining us from home on Facebook Live or YouTube

WELCOME

THE GATHERING

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

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

ENTRANCE HYMN (*NEH 86*)

**My song is love unknown,
My Saviour's love to me,
Love to the loveless shown,
That they might lovely be.
O, who am I,
That for my sake
My Lord should take
Frail flesh, and die?**

**He came from his blest throne,
Salvation to bestow:
But men made strange, and none
The longed-for Christ would know.
But O, my Friend,
My Friend indeed,
Who at my need
His life did spend!**

**Sometimes they strew his way,
And his sweet praises sing;
Resounding all the day
Hosannas to their King.
Then "Crucify!"
Is all their breath,
And for his death
They thirst and cry.**

**They rise, and needs will have
My dear Lord made away;
A murderer they save,
The Prince of Life they slay.
Yet cheerful he
To suffering goes,
That he his foes
From thence might free.**

**Here might I stay and sing,
No story so divine;
Never was love, dear King,
Never was grief like thine!
This is my Friend,
In whose sweet praise
I all my days
Could gladly spend.**

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

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.

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 and we shall be clean;
wash us and we shall be whiter than snow.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

ABSOLUTION

May God 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.

GLORIA (Iona)

Gloria, gloria, gloria in excelsis Deo.

(Glory to God in the highest).

THE COLLECT

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

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 forever.

Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

New Testament Reading:

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.

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN (NHWS 404)

Chant from the Taize community, with cantors

**Ubi caritas et amor. Ubi caritas,
Deus ibi est.**

(Where there is charity and love, there is God).

THE GOSPEL

**The Lord be with you.
And also with you**

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.

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

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

St 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.

When he had gone out, 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.**

SERMON: Love - The Last Supper
— James Percival, Team Rector

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

In the power of the Spirit let us pray to the Father through Christ the saviour 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.

A lockdown prayer for this time of worldwide crisis:

Ever present God,
be with us in our isolation,
be close to us in our distancing,
be healing in our sickness,
be joy in our sadness,
be light in our darkness,
be wisdom in our confusion,
be all that is familiar when all is
unfamiliar,
that when the doors reopen
we may with the zeal of Pentecost
inhabit our communities
and speak of your goodness
to an emerging world.
for Jesus' sake.

Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

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.'
cf John 14.27

The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you

Let us offer one another a sign of peace

CHOIR ANTHEM

If ye love me - *Thomas Tallis*

(c.1505 - 1585) (*The New Oxford Easy Anthem Book, page 98*)

*If ye love me, keep my commandments, and I will pray the Father, and
he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever;
even the Spirit of truth. (John 14:15-17)*

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PRAYER AT THE PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

At the Eucharist we are with our crucified and risen Lord.
We know that it was not only our ancestors, but we who were redeemed
and brought forth from bondage to freedom, from mourning to feasting.
We know that as he was with them in the upper room so our Lord is here
with us now.

**Until the kingdom of God comes
let us celebrate this feast.**

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER (E)

The Lord is here

His Spirit is with us.

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,
singing:

William Byrd, Mass for Four Voices, 1594, Sanctus:

*Sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabaoth.
Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua.
Osanna in excelsis.*

*(Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.)*

We praise and bless you, loving Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son. On the night before he died he had supper with his friends and, taking bread, he praised you.

He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.
Again he praised you, 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.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did, in him we plead with confidence his Sacrifice made once for all upon the cross.
Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation,
we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory.
Jesus Christ is Lord:

**Lord, by your cross and
resurrection you have set us free.
You are the Saviour of the world.**

Lord of all life, help us to work together for that day when your kingdom comes and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.

Look with favour on your people, gather us in your loving arms and bring us with all the saints to feast at your table in heaven.
Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit.
all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father, for ever and ever.
Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Lord Jesus, remember us in your Kingdom and teach us to 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

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

AGNUS DEI

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins; have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer of the world; grant us peace.

THE ADMINISTRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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.**

HYMN (NEH 268)

Part 1

Of the glorious body telling,
O my tongue, its mysteries sing,
And the Blood, all price excelling,
Which the world's eternal King,
In a spotless womb once dwelling
Shed for this world's ransoming.

Given for us, for us descending,
Of a Virgin to proceed,
Man with man in converse blending,
Scattered he the Gospel seed,
Till his sojourn drew to ending,
Which he closed in wondrous deed.

At the last great Supper lying
Circled by his chosen band,
Duly with the law complying,
First he finished its command,
Then, immortal food supplying,
Gave himself by his own hand.

Word made flesh, by word he maketh
Bread his very flesh to be;
Man in wine Christ's blood partaketh:
And if senses fail to see,
Faith alone the true heart waketh
To behold the mystery.

Psalm 88: 1-20

O Lord, God of my salvation,
I have cried day and night before you.

Let my prayer come into your presence;
incline your ear to my cry.

For my soul is full of troubles;
my life draws near to the land of death.

I am counted as one gone down to the Pit;
I am like one that has no strength,

Lost among the dead,
I am so fast in prison that I cannot get free;
my eyes fail from all my trouble.

Lord, I have called daily upon you;
I have stretched out my hands to you.

Do you work wonders for the dead?
Will the shades stand up and praise you?

Shall your loving-kindness be declared in the grave,
your faithfulness in the land of destruction?

Shall your wonders be known in the dark
or your righteous deeds in the land where all is forgotten?

But as for me, O Lord, I will cry to you;
early in the morning my prayer shall come before you.
Lord, why have you rejected my soul?
Why have you hidden your face from me?
like the slain who lie in the grave,

I have been wretched and at the point of
Whom you remember no more,
for they are cut off from your hand.

You have laid me in the lowest pit,
in a place of darkness in the abyss.

Your anger lies heavy upon me,
and you have afflicted me with all your waves.

You have put my friends far from me
and made me to be abhorred by them.

death from my youth;
I suffer your terrors and am no more seen.

Your wrath sweeps over me;
your horrors are come to destroy me;

All day long they come about me like water;
they close me in on every side.

Lover and friend have you put far from me
and hid my companions out of my sight.

HYMN Part 2 (NEH 268)

Therefore we, before him bending,
This great Sacrament revere;
Types and shadows have their ending,
For the newer rite is here;

Faith, our outward sense befriending,
makes our inward vision clear.

Glory let us give, and blessing
To the Father and the Son,
Honour, might and praise addressing,
While eternal ages run;
Ever too his love confessing,
Who from both with both is one. Amen.

The other lights are dimmed, leaving only the candle lit.

In the depths of our isolation we cry to you, Lord God;
Give light in our darkness
and bring us out of the prison of our despair through Jesus Christ our
Lord. **Amen.**

Organ Voluntary: (pre-recorded at the organ of St Peter's Limpsfield
before the lockdown, by Eliza Percival)

*Prelude in G minor, BWV 558 - Johann Sebastian Bach
(1685 - 1750)*

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The Gospel of the Watch is read:

Matthew 26:31-46

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Then Jesus said to them,
'You will all become deserters because of me this night; for it is written,
"I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be scattered."
But after I am raised up, I will go ahead of you to Galilee.'

Peter said to him, 'Though all become deserters because of you,
I will never desert you.' Jesus said to him, 'Truly I tell you, this very night,
before the cock crows, you will deny me three times.' Peter said to him,
'Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you.'
And so said all the disciples.

Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane; and he said
to his disciples, 'Sit here while I go over there and pray.'

He took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be grieved and agitated.

Then he said to them, 'I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and stay awake with me.'

And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed, 'My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me; yet not what I want but what you want.'

Then he came to the disciples and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter, 'So, could you not stay awake with me one hour? Stay awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.'

Again he went away for the second time and prayed, 'My Father, if this cannot pass unless I drink it, your will be done.'

Again he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were heavy. So leaving them again, he went away and prayed for the third time, saying the same words.

Then he came to the disciples and said to them, 'Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? See, the hour is at hand, and the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand.'

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After five minutes of silence in which we stay with Jesus, as in the Garden of Gethsemane, the live stream will finish with

The Gospel of the Betrayal, Arrest and Denial of Jesus: Matthew 26:47-56

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While he was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; with him was a large crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests and the elders of the people.

Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, 'The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him.'

At once he came up to Jesus and said, 'Greetings, Rabbi!' and kissed him. Jesus said to him, 'Friend, do what you are here to do.'

Then they came and laid hands on Jesus and arrested him. Suddenly, one of those with Jesus put his hand on his sword, drew it, and struck the slave of the high priest, cutting off his ear.

Then Jesus said to him, 'Put your sword back into its place; for all who take the sword will perish by the sword. Do you think that I cannot appeal to my Father, and he will at once send me more than twelve legions of angels? But how then would the scriptures be fulfilled, which say it must happen in this way?'

At that hour Jesus said to the crowds, 'Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest me as though I were a bandit? Day after day I sat in the temple teaching, and you did not arrest me. But all this has taken place, so that the scriptures of the prophets may be fulfilled.'

Then all the disciples deserted him and fled.

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Thank you.