

Maundy Thursday

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Our Lenten Series:

HOW GOD FIXED *WHAT WE BROKE*

MAUNDY THURSDAY - April 9

GOOD FRIDAY - April 10

RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD: EASTER SUNDAY - April 12

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

THE PRELUDE
ANNOUNCEMENTS
WELCOME and INTRODUCTION
BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

Amen

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thought of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

If we say 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.

Most merciful God,

We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen

What Feast of Love

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1 What feast of love is of - ferred here, what ban - quet come from heav - en?
 2 What light of truth is of - ferred here, what cov - e - nant from heav - en?
 3 What wine of love is of - ferred here, what ho - ly drink from heav - en?

What food of ev - er - last - ing life, what gra - cious gift is giv - en?
 What hope of ev - er - last - ing life, what won - drous word is giv - en?
 What stream of ev - er - last - ing life, what pre - cious blood is giv - en?

This, this is Christ the king, the bread come down from: heav - en.
 This, this is Christ the king, the sun come down from: heav - en.
 This, this is Christ the king, the sweet - est wine of heav - en.

Oh, taste and see and sing! How sweet the man - na giv - en!
 Oh, see and hear and sing! The Word of God is giv - en!
 Oh, taste and see and sing! The Son of God is giv - en!

THE FIRST READING

Exodus 12:1-4, 11-14

12 The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: **2** This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. **3** 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. **4** 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.

11 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. **12** 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. **13** 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.

14 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 PSALM *Psalms 116:10-16*

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.

THE SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

23 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, **24** and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body that is for²⁴ you. Do this in remembrance of me." **25** 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." **26** For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

THE GOSPEL

John 13:1-17, 34

13 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. ²The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper ³Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, ⁴got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. ⁵Then 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. ⁶He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" ⁷Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." ⁸Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." ⁹Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" ¹⁰Jesus 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." ¹¹For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, "Not all of you are clean." ¹²After 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?" ¹³You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. ¹⁴So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. ¹⁵For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. ¹⁶Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. ¹⁷If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them.

³⁴I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another.

HYMN: "One There Is, above All Others" vs 1,2,3 LBW

One There Is, above All Others

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1 One there is, a - bove all oth - ers, Well de - serves the name of friend;
2 Which of all our friends, to save us, Could or would have shed his blood?
3 When he lived on earth, they scorned him, "Friend of sin - ners" was his name.

His is love be - yond a broth - er's, Cost - ly, free, and knows no end;
But this Sav - ior died to have us Rec - on - ciled in him to God;
Though the an - gels have a - dored him, Still he an - swers to that claim;

They who once his kind - ness prove Find it ev - er - last - ing love,
This was bound - less love in - deed; Je - sus is the friend we need.
Still he calls them dear - est friends And to all their needs at - tends.

THE SERMON

SONG: "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands"

He's got the whole world in his hands.
He's got the whole world in his hands.
He's got the whole world in his hands.
He's got the whole world in his hands.

He's got you and me, brother in his hands.
He's got you and me, sister in his hands.
He's got you and me, brother in his hands.
He's got the whole world in his hands.

THE OFFERING INSTRUCTION

In this Lenten season we have heard our Lord's call to intensify our struggle against sin, death, and the devil – all that keeps us from loving God and each other. This is the struggle to which we were committed at Baptism; God's forgiveness and the power of his Spirit to amend our lives continue with us because of his love for us in Jesus, our Savior.

We who receive God's love in Jesus Christ are called to love one another, to be servants to each other as Jesus became our servant.

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

Holy God, source of all love, on the night of his betrayal, Jesus gave his disciples a new commandment: To love one another as he had loved them. By your Holy Spirit write this commandment in our hearts; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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,
forever and ever. Amen**

THE BENEDICTION

STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR

Please Depart in Silence