

The Church of the Holy Trinity

Rittenhouse Square

Maundy Thursday

6:00pm

Holy Eucharist

with foot washing

Love one another,



as I have loved you

April 17, 2025

Welcome! We are so glad you are with us tonight!

Service: Everything you need for the service is in this bulletin. If you have questions or need assistance, please ask one of the ushers (who handed you this bulletin) or a neighbor in your pew.

Children are always welcome in our worship service and we love to hear their joyful sounds and see their wiggly ways! We have books for all ages and activity bags in the back for children who wish to stay with their families during the service. We also have the “Pew Pen” in the front of the church for those we need a little more space to move around.

Restrooms are located at the front of the church. Walk down the left aisle toward the door with the EXIT sign. Go through the door and turn left. Men’s room is straight ahead, women’s to the right. If you prefer a gender-neutral bathroom, please ask our ushers to show you where this is.

Offering: Halfway through the service you will notice that we pass a plate around to collect the offering. The offerings we give help to support to work this church does, the people who work here, and our programs for the neighborhood. If you wish to help support our amazing programs, you can put something in the plate, text **CHT**



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Communion: All who are baptized in any Christian tradition are welcome to join us for communion (all ages are welcome). If you prefer a blessing, please let one of the clergy know. We will share the bread and wine at the altar rail at the front of the church. Gluten free wafers are available. If you are unable to come to the front, or prefer to stay in your pew we will bring communion to you.

We ask that you **turn off or silence your Cell Phone** during the service. Thank you.

Join us for the Remainder of Holy Week & Easter

Good Friday, 12:00 p.m.
Holy Saturday, 9:00 a.m.

Easter Vigil, 8:00 p.m.
Easter Day, 11:00 a.m.*
**Easter Egg Hunt follows after Services*

ABOUT THIS SERVICE:

The liturgy of Maundy Thursday, observed on the Thursday in Holy Week, is the first service of the Triduum, the three holy days leading up to Easter. The word “maundy” comes from the Latin mandatum, referring to the “new commandment” Jesus gave to his disciples on the night he was betrayed. The Gospel of John also describes, on that same night, Jesus’ institution of the Holy Eucharist and his washing of the disciples’ feet

Tonight we will be remembering the last night Jesus spent with his disciples – washing each other’s feet and sharing the bread and wine – the sacrament of holy communion. You are invited to participate in each moment – remembering and journeying with Jesus through this holiest week of our church year.

THE TRIDUUM: MAUNDY THURSDAY

Prelude

Ubi caritas

Jeanne Demessieux

THE ENTRANCE RITE

The Entrance Hymn 733

Lux vera lucis radium



1. Three ho - ly days en - fold us now in wash - ing feet and break - ing bread, in
2. The my - st'ry hid from a - ges past is here re - vealed in word and sign, for
3. Christ lift - ed high up - on the tree, be - fore you ev - 'ry knee shall bend and
cross and font and life re - newed: in Christ, God's first - born from the dead.
Je - sus' sto - ry is our own: new life through death is God's de - sign.
ev - 'ry tongue in praise pro - claim: "You are the Lord of all. A - men."

Words: Delores Dufner, OSB (b. 1939). Music: *Lux vera lucis radium*; Setting Monte Mason (b. 1949).

Presider Blessed be the God of our salvation.

People **Who bears our burdens and forgives our sins.**

Presider 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. **Amen.**

Kyrie: S-96



Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.
Lord, —
Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord,
Christ, — Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord,
Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy, have mer - cy.

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The Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

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. **Amen.**

The people sit.

THE WORD OF GOD

The First Lesson: Exodus 12:1-14

Ali Shott

Reader 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 neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it.

Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn.

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.

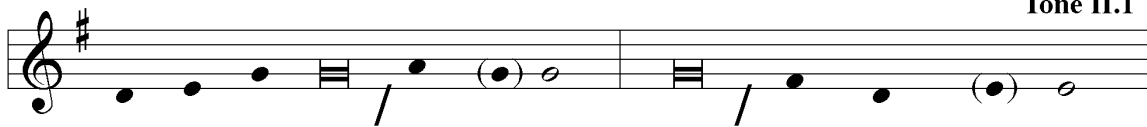
Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 116:1, 10-17 *Dilexi, quoniam*

The congregation joins on the bold verses, pausing at the asterisk.

Tone II.1



- 1 *I love the LORD, because he has heard the voice of my suppli/cation,*
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 sal/vation*
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 thanks/giving*
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

Reader A reading from Paul's first letter to the Corinthians.

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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Sequence Hymn 315

Song I

Unison or harmony

1 Thou, who at thy first Eu - cha - rist didst pray;
 2 For all thy Church, O Lord, we in - ter - cede;
 3 So, Lord, at length when sac - ra - ments shall cease,

that all thy Church might be for ev - er to one,
 make thou our sad di - vi - sions soon to cease;
 may we be one with all thy Church a - bove,

grant us at ev - ery Eu - cha - rist to say
 draw us the near - er each to each, we plead,
 one with thy saints in one un - bro - ken peace,

with long - ing heart and soul, "Thy will be done."
 by draw - ing all to thee, O Prince of Peace;
 one with thy saints in one un - bound - ed love;

O may we all one bread, one bo - dy be,
 thus may we all one bread, one bo - dy be,
 more bless - ed still, in peace and love to be



The Gospel: John 13:1-17, 31b-35

Celebrant 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 Judeans 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."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

Robbin McCarthy, Deacon-in-Training

The Foot Washing

Leader 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."

People **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.**

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

People **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.**

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

All are invited to come forward and have their feet washed and/or wash the feet of another.

Hymn

Ryburn

1 Great God, your love has called us here, as we, by love, for
 2 We come with self - in - flict - ed pains of bro - ken trust and
 3 Great God, in Christ you call our name and then re - ceive us
 4 Then take the towel, and break the bread, and hum - ble us, and
 5 Great God, in Christ you set us free your life to live, your



love were made. Your liv - ing like - ness still we bear,
cho - sen wrong, half - free, half - bound by in - ner chains,
as your own, not through some mer - it, right, or claim,
call us friends. Suf - fer and serve till all are fed,
joy to share. Give us your Spir - it's lib - er - ty

though marred, dis - hon - ored, dis - o - beyed. We come, with all our
by so - cial forc - es swept a - long, by pow'rs and sys - tems
but by your gra - cious love a - lone. We strain to glimpse your
and show how grand - ly love in - tends to work till all cre -
to turn from guilt and dull de - spair, and of - fer all that

heart and mind your call to hear, your love to find.
close con - fined, yet seek - ing hope for hu - man - kind.
mer - cy seat and find you kneel - ing at our feet.
a - tion sings, to fill all worlds, to crown all things.
faith can do while love is mak - ing all things new.

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The Prayers of the People

Shreve Simpson

- Leader* As we begin these sacred three days and prepare through fasting and prayer to celebrate the paschal feast, let us earnestly pray to God for all those gathered tonight with Christ and for all peoples everywhere.
- Leader* For the God's holy church throughout the world, sharing the death and resurrection of Christ.
- People* **Lord, have mercy.**
- Leader* For Daniel, our bishop, for clergy and lay leaders, for all who minister in Christ, and for all the holy people of God.
- People* **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader For all nations, peoples, tribes, clans, and families.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader For justice, mercy, and peace in all the world.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader For all who are tempted, oppressed, afflicted, or in need.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader For the dying and the dead, and for those who mourn.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader For our families, friends, and companions, and for all those we love.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader Remembering all the saints, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ.

People **To you, O Lord.**

Presider Blessed are you, O Lord our God, who gives us food and drink as the body and blood of Christ. Receive the prayers we offer this day for all those in need in every place and grant that all who come to your table may love and serve you and one another; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

The Peace

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The people greet one another with a sign of God's peace.

Welcome

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Sentence

Presider Merciful God, whose love knows no bounds, we bring our offerings as a reflection of your boundless grace. Throughout these Lenten days, remind us of the humility of Christ, who knelt to serve and commanded us to love one another. May these gifts be used to lift the lowly, to bind the broken, and to carry your love across every barrier. Empower us to stand together in service and love and to follow the path of Christ, who leads us to freedom and a new home in you. **Amen.** *Psalm 116, John 13: 1-17, 31b-35*

Anthem

Ave verum corpus

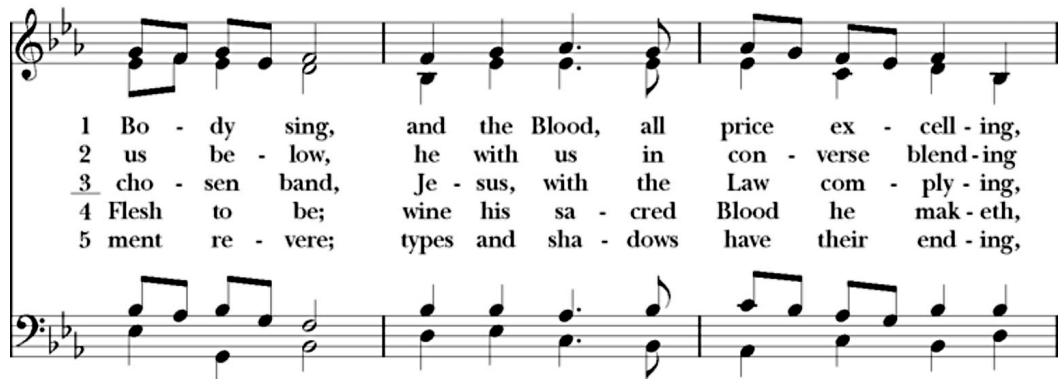
William Byrd

<i>Ave verum corpus, natum de Maria Virgine.</i>	Hail! True body, born of Mary the Virgin;
<i>vere passum, immolatum in cruce pro homine</i>	who truly suffered, sacrificed on the cross for mankind.
<i>Cuius latus perforatum unda fluxit sanguine</i>	From its pierced side ran water and blood.
<i>Esto nobis praegustatum in mortis examine:</i>	May that blood be tasted by us before the trial of death.
<i>O dulcis! O pie! O Jesu fili Mariae,</i>	O sweet, O holy one, O Jesus son of Mary,
<i>miserere mei. Amen</i>	have mercy on me. Amen.

Please rise in body or in spirit.



1 Now, my tongue, the mys - tery tell - ing of the glo - rious
 2 Given for us, and con - de - scend - ing to be born for
 3 That last night at sup - per ly - ing mid the twelve, his
 4 Word made flesh, the bread he tak - eth, by his word his
 *5 There - fore we, be - fore him bend - ing, this great Sac - ra -



1 Bo - dy sing, and the Blood, all price ex - cell - ing,
 2 us be - low, he with us in con - verse blend - ing
 3 cho - sen band, Je - sus, with the Law com - ply - ing,
 4 Flesh to be; wine his sa - cred Blood he mak - eth,
 5 ment re - vere; types and sha - dows have their end - ing,



1 which the Gen - tles' Lord and King, once on earth a -
 2 dwelt, the seed of truth to sow, till he closed with
 3 keeps the feast its rites de - mand; then, more pre - cious
 4 though the sens - es fail to see; faith a - lone the
 5 for the new - er rite is here; faith, our out - ward



1 mong us dwell - ing, shed for this world's ran - som - ing.
 2 won - drous end - ing his most pa - tient life of woe.
 3 food sup - ply - ing, gives him - self with his own hand.
 4 true heart wak - eth to be - hold the mys - ter - y.
 5 sense be - friend - ing, makes our in - ward vi - sion clear.

*6 Glory let us give and blessing
 to the Father and the Son,
 honor, thanks, and praise addressing,
 while eternal ages run;
 ever too his love confessing
 who from both with both is One.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

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

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father 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:

Sanctus: S-130

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. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na

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

The people remain standing or kneel.

Celebrant Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All **Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

Celebrant We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

All **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

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

All **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.**

Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

Agnus Dei: S-164

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.

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Celebrant 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.

Distribution of Communion

If you wish to receive communion, please follow the directions of the ushers to the rail at the front of the church. We will bring communion to those unable to come forward or who are more comfortable staying in their pew. If you need a gluten-free wafer or prefer a blessing, please let the priest know.

The Communion Hymn 729

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.

Words: Timothy Dudley-Smith (b. 1926). Music: *Sursum Corda*, Alfred Morton Smith (1879-1971).

After the distribution of Communion, the consecrated bread and wine that will be used on Good Friday will be carried to the Prayer Corner and placed into the Tabernacle on the Altar of Repose.

Post-Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

All **Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

The Altar and Sanctuary are then stripped as the Choir sings Psalm 22 and the altar is washed. The congregation may kneel or sit. All who wish to help with the stripping of the altar are welcome to come forward during the hymn.

Following the Stripping of the Altar, the people leave the church in silence.

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