# Maundy Thursday 2024

#### Opening Hymn:

#### 445 When You Woke That Thursday Morning

- 1 When You woke that Thursday morning, Savior, teacher, faithful friend, Thoughts of self and safety scorning, Knowing how the day would end; Lamb of God, foretold for ages, Now at last the hour had come When but One could pay sin's wages: You assumed their dreadful sum.
- Never so alone and lonely, Longing with tormented heart To be with Your dear ones only For a quiet hour apart: Sinless Lamb and fallen creature, One last paschal meal to eat, One last lesson as their teacher, Washing Your disciples' feet.
- What was there that You could give them That would never be outspent, What great gift that would outlive them, What last will and testament? "Show Me and the world you love Me, Know Me as the Lamb of God: Do this in remembrance of Me, Eat this body, drink this blood."
- 4 One in faith, in love united, All one body, You the head, When we meet, by You invited, You are with us, as You said. One with You and one another In a unity sublime, See in us Your sister, brother, One in ev'ry place and time.
- One day all the Church will capture That bright vision glorious,
  And Your saints will know the rapture That Your heart desired for us,
  When the longed-for peace and union Of the Greatest and the least
  Meet in joyous, blest communion In Your never-ending feast.

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### Service of Confession

- In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Amen. Matt. 28:19-20
- **P** I will go to the altar of God.
- **C** To God, my exceeding joy.

Psalm 43:4

- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord.
- **C** Who made heaven and earth.

Psalm 124:8

A confessional address is given.

P Having heard the Word of God, let us confess our sins, imploring God our Father for the sake of His Son Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

- ♠ Please stand
- O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy, and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor sinful being.
- P God be merciful to you and strengthen your faith.
- C Amen.
- P Do you believe that the forgiveness I speak is not my forgiveness but God's?
- C Yes.
- P Let it be done for you as you believe. In the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ▶ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful; He will surely do it.

  1 Thessalonians 5:23-24
- C Amen.

# Service of the Word

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- Let us pray...O Lord, in this wondrous Sacrament You have left us a remembrance of Your passion. Grant that we may so receive the sacred mystery of Your body and blood that the fruits of Your redemption may continually be manifest in us; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

◆ Psalm Psalm 41

Congregation: Refrain

P





(Sings refrain), then **C** (Sings refrain)

Psalm tone:

- P Blessèd is the one who consid- | ers the poor!\*
  In the day of trouble the LORD de- | livers him;
- the LORD protects him and keeps him alive; he is called blessèd | in the land;\* you do not give him up to the will of his | enemies.
- P The LORD sustains him on his | sickbed;\* in his illness you restore him to | full health.
- As for me, I said, "O LORD, be gra- | cious to me;\* heal me, for I have sinned a- | gainst you!"
- P My enemies say of me in | malice,\*
  "When will he die and his name | perish?"
- And when one comes to see me, he utters empty words, while his heart gathers in- | iquity;\* when he goes out, he tells | it abroad.
- P All who hate me whisper together a- | bout me;\* they imagine the | worst for me.
- They say, "A deadly thing is poured | out on him;\* he will not rise again from | where he lies."
- P Even my close friend in whom I | trusted,\* who ate my bread, has lifted his heel a- | gainst me.

**Congregation: Refrain** 





- P But you, O LORD, be gra- | cious to me,\* and raise me up, that I may re- | pay them!
- By this I know that you de- | light in me:\*
  my enemy will not shout in triumph | over me.
- P But you have upheld me because of my in- | tegrity,\* and set me in your presence for- | ever.
- Blessèd be the LORD, the God of | Israel,\* from everlasting to everlasting! Amen and | Amen.
- Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\* and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be | ginning,\* is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Congregation: Refrain





#### **Old Testament Reading**

Exodus 24:3-11

<sup>3</sup>Moses came and told the people all the words of the LORD and all the just decrees. And all the people answered with one voice and said, "All the words that the LORD has spoken we will do." <sup>4</sup>And Moses wrote down all the words of the LORD. He rose early in the morning and built an altar at the foot of the mountain, and twelve pillars, according to the twelve tribes of Israel. <sup>5</sup>And he sent young men of the people of Israel, who offered burnt offerings and sacrificed peace offerings of oxen to the LORD. <sup>6</sup>And Moses took half of the blood and put it in basins, and half of the blood he threw against the altar. <sup>7</sup>Then he took the Book of the Covenant and read it in the hearing of the people. And they said, "All that the LORD has spoken we will do, and we will be obedient." <sup>8</sup>And Moses took the blood and threw it on the people and said, "Behold the blood of the covenant that the LORD has made with you in accordance with all these words."

<sup>9</sup>Then Moses and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up, <sup>10</sup>and they saw the God of Israel. There was under his feet as it were a pavement of sapphire stone, like the very heaven for clearness. <sup>11</sup>And he did not lay his hand on the chief men of the people of Israel; they beheld God, and ate and drank.

- $\mathbf{A}$ This is the Word of the Lord.
- a Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hebrews 12:2

- O come, let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith,
- $\mathbf{C}$ who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

#### **Epistle**

1 Corinthians 10:16–17

<sup>16</sup>The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a participation in the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a participation in the body of Christ? <sup>17</sup>Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread.

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

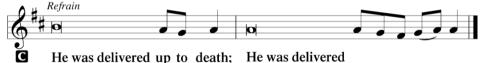




- 1 We have an advocate with the Fa-ther; Jesus is the propitiation for our sins.
- 2 Blessed is he whose

transgression is for - giv - en and whose sin is

3 We have an advocate with the Fa-ther; Jesus is the propitiation for our sins.



He was delivered up to death;

for the sins of the peo-ple.

#### Holy Gospel Mark 14:12–26

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the fourteenth chapter.

#### Glory to You, O Lord. C

<sup>12</sup>On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when they sacrificed the Passover lamb, [Jesus'] disciples said to him, "Where will you have us go and prepare for you to eat the Passover?" <sup>13</sup>And he sent two of his disciples and said to them, "Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. Follow him, 14 and wherever he enters, say to the master of the house, 'The Teacher says, Where is my guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?' <sup>15</sup>And he will show you a large upper room furnished and ready; there prepare for us." <sup>16</sup>And the disciples set out and went to the city and found it just as he had told them, and they prepared the Passover.

<sup>17</sup>And when it was evening, he came with the twelve. <sup>18</sup>And as they were reclining at table and eating, Jesus said, "Truly, I say to you, one of you will betray me, one who is eating with me." <sup>19</sup>They began to be sorrowful and to say to him one after another, "Is it I?"

<sup>20</sup>He said to them, "It is one of the twelve, one who is dipping bread into the dish with me. <sup>21</sup>For the Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that man if he had not been born."

<sup>22</sup>And as they were eating, he took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to them, and said, "Take; this is my body." <sup>23</sup>And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, and they all drank of it. <sup>24</sup>And he said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. <sup>25</sup>Truly, I say to you, I will not drink again of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God." <sup>26</sup>And when they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

#### Apostles' Creed

**■** I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life + everlasting. Amen.

### ♥ 617 O Lord, We Praise Thee

O Lord, we praise Thee, bless Thee, and adore Thee,
In thanksgiving bow before Thee.
Thou with Thy body and Thy blood didst nourish
Our weak souls that they may flourish: O Lord, have mercy!
May Thy body, Lord, born of Mary,
That our sins and sorrows did carry,
And Thy blood for us plead
In all trial, fear, and need: O Lord, have mercy!

2 Thy holy body into death was given,

Life to win for us in heaven.

No greater love than this to Thee could bind us;

May this feast thereof remind us! O Lord, have mercy!

Lord, Thy kindness did so constrain Thee

That Thy blood should bless and sustain me.

All our debt Thou hast paid;

Peace with God once more is made: O Lord, have mercy!

3 May God bestow on us His grace and favor

That we follow Christ our Savior

And live together here in love and union

Nor despise this blest Communion! O Lord, have mercy!

Let not Thy good Spirit forsake us;

Grant that heav'nly-minded He make us;

Give Thy Church, Lord, to see

Days of peace and unity: O Lord, have mercy!

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#### Sermon

#### ↑ Offertory 956 Create in Me

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

#### Prayer of the Church

P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs. . .

For each petition ending:

**P** Lord, in Your mercy;

The congregation responds: **C** hear our prayer.

P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

### Service of Holy Communion

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And with thy spirit.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **C** We lift them up unto the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.
- C It is meet and right so to do.

- It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who accomplished the salvation of mankind by the tree of the cross that, where death arose, there life also might rise again and that the serpent who overcame by the tree of the garden might likewise by the tree of the cross be overcome. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:
- Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth; heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.
  Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
  Blessed is He, blessed is He,
  blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.
  Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

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- P 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 Words of Our Lord

- P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, ... This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."
- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.

#### Agnus Dei

C O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

#### 625 Lord Jesus Christ, Life-Giving Bread

1 Lord Jesus Christ, life-giving bread,

May I in grace possess You.

Let me with holy food be fed,

In hunger I address You.

Prepare me well for You, O Lord, And, humbly by my prayer implored, Give me Your grace and mercy.

2 To pastures green, Lord, safely guide,

To restful waters lead me:

Your table well for me provide,

Your wounded hand now feed me.

Though weary, sinful, sick, and weak, Refuge in You alone I seek,

To share Your cup of healing.

3 O bread of heav'n, my soul's delight,

For full and free remission

I come with prayer before Your sight

In sorrow and contrition.

Your righteousness, Lord, cover me That I receive You worthily,

Assured of Your full pardon.

4 I do not merit favor, Lord,

My weight of sin would break me;

In all my guilty heart's discord,

O Lord, do not forsake me.

In my distress this comforts me That You receive me graciously, O Christ, my Lord of mercy!

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#### 547 The Lamb

1 The Lamb, the Lamb, O Father, where's the sacrifice?

Faith sees, believes God will provide the Lamb of price!

**Refrain:** Worthy is the Lamb whose death makes me His own! The Lamb is reigning on His throne!

- 2 The Lamb, the Lamb, One perfect final offering.

  The Lamb, the Lamb, Let earth join heav'n His praise to sing.

  Refrain
- 3 The Lamb, the Lamb, As wayward sheep their shepherd kill So still, His will On our behalf the Law to fill.

  \*Refrain\*

- 4 He sighs, He dies, He takes my sin and wretchedness. He lives, forgives, He gives me His own righteousness. Refrain
- 5 He rose, He rose, My heart with thanks now overflows. His song prolong Till ev'ry heart to Him belong.

Refrain

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**↑** ✓ Nunc Dimittis

(LSB p. 199)

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word,

for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,

which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people,

a light to lighten the Gentiles

and the glory of Thy people Israel.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;

as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

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(LSB p. 200)

- A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
- and His mercy endureth forever.
- Let us pray. ... We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

**Reading:** *Mark* 14:32–41

<sup>32</sup>And they went to a place called Gethsemane. And he said to his disciples, "Sit here while I pray." <sup>33</sup>And he took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be greatly distressed and troubled. <sup>34</sup>And he said to them, "My soul is very sorrowful, even to death. Remain here and watch." <sup>35</sup>And going a little farther, he fell on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. <sup>36</sup>And he said, "Abba, Father, all things are possible for you. Remove this cup from me. Yet not what I will, but what you will."

<sup>37</sup>And he came and found them sleeping, and he said to Peter, "Simon, are you asleep? Could you not watch one hour? <sup>38</sup>Watch and pray that you may not enter into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing, but the

flesh is weak." <sup>39</sup>And again he went away and prayed, saying the same words.

<sup>40</sup>And again he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were very heavy, and they did not know what to answer him. <sup>41</sup>And he came the third time and said to them, "Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? It is enough; the hour has come. The Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners.

**▶** You may be seated for the remainder of the service

## Stripping of the Altar

- P The missal stand holds our worship books that guide our worship life together as we sing praises to God.
- **C** As Jesus suffers, joyous songs are not heard.
- P As these sounds of joy are removed from our lips, we remove the missal stand and its book.

[The missal stand and altar book are removed.]

- P Jesus said, "I am the Light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." *John 8:12*
- The events of Golgotha snuffed out the human life of Jesus, the Light of the world.
- P As creation was dark when He suffered, so we have extinguished our candles and now remove them.

[Altar Candles are removed.]

- P Our offerings represent one way of serving God and others. They reflect God's greatest offering to the world and to us in sending His Son, Jesus, in human form.
- As the offered body of Jesus was removed from sight in burial, so we remove our offerings.

[The offerings are removed.]

- P The altar is the place where our Lord Jesus serves us as both host and meal at His banquet feast. The coverings and paraments are made of fine linen and brocade; materials appropriate for feasting with our King.
- As our King's body was stripped in crucifixion, so our altar is stripped of its coverings.

[The altar cloths and paraments are removed.]

[As the remaining items are removed, Psalm 22 is spoken as follows.]

- P My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?
- Why are you so far from saving me, from the words of my groaning?
- P O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer,
- **C** and by night, but I find no rest.
- **P** I am a worm and not a man,
- **C** scorned by mankind and despised by the people.
- P All who see me mock me;
- **C** they make mouths at me; they wag their heads;
- "He trusts in the LORD; let him deliver him;
- **C** let him rescue him, for he delights in him!"
- **P** I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint;
- **C** my heart is like wax; it is melted within my breast.
- P For dogs encompass me; a company of evildoers encircles me;
- C they have pierced my hands and feet—
- P I can count all my bones—they stare and gloat over me;
- they divide my garments among them, and for my clothing they cast lots.
- P But you, O LORD, do not be far off!
- O you my help, come quickly to my aid!
- **P** Our children shall serve him;
- c it shall be told of the Lord to the coming generation;
- P they shall come and proclaim his righteousness to a people yet unborn.
- C that he has done it.

#### (The Congregation is dismissed.)

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