

Maundy Thursday

April 9, 2020



Introduction / Prayer of the Day

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray together.

C: Holy God, source of all love, on the night of his betrayal, Jesus gave us a new commandment, to love one another as he loves us. Write this commandment in our hearts, and give us the will to serve others as he was the servant of all, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Gathering at the trailhead...

Song: Banquet (v.1-3)

Verse 1

There's no banquet so rich as the bread and the wine; No table more holy, no welcome so kind. There's no mercy so wide as the arms of the cross; Come and taste, come and see, come find and be found.

Verse 2

There's no banquet so rich, for what feast could compare with the body of Jesus blessed, broken and shared? Here is grace to forgive, here is blood that atoned; Come and taste, come and see, come know and be known.

Chorus

Take the bread, drink the wine, and remember His sacrifice.

Verse 3

There's no banquet so rich as the feast we will share when God gathers the nations and dines with us here. When death's shadow is gone, every tear wiped away, come and eat, come and drink, come welcome that day.

Chorus

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

The story of the last supper in John's gospel recalls a remarkable event not mentioned elsewhere: Jesus performs the duty of a slave, washing the feet of his disciples and urging them to do the same for one another.

¹Now 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.” ^{31b}“Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. ³²If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. ³³Little 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.’ ³⁴I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon – Pastor Paul

Foot Washing / Images of Service & Song: “Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love”

Chorus:

Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love, show us how to serve
the neighbors we have from you.

1. Kneels at the feet of his friends, silently washes their feet, master who acts as a slave to them. **Chorus**
2. Neighbors are wealthy and poor, varied in color and race, neighbors are nearby and far away. **Chorus**
3. These are the ones we will serve, these are the ones we will love; all these are neighbors to us and you. **Chorus**
4. Kneel at the feet of our friends, silently washing their feet; this is the way we live with you. **Chorus**

Prayers of Intercession / Sign of the Peace

Origins of the Last Supper (1 Corinthians 11:23-26) and Song: Banquet (v.4 and Chorus)

Verse 4

There's no banquet so rich, for our Savior we find present here in the mystery of these humble signs. Cleansed, renewed, reconciled, let us go out as one, live in love and proclaim His death till He comes.

Chorus

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Stripping of the Altar during Reading of Psalm 22 (KJV)

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

1. O sacred head, now wounded, with grief and shame weighed down, now scornfully surrounded with thorns, thine only crown;
O sacred head, what glory, what bliss till now was thine! Yet, though despised and gory, I joy to call thee mine.
2. How pale thou art with anguish, with sore abuse and scorn; how does thy face now languish, which once was bright as morn!
Thy grief and bitter passion were all for sinners' gain; mine, mine was the transgression, but thine the deadly pain.

We conclude in solemnity and peace...