

Maundy Thursday
April 1, 2021
7:00pm

In Advance of the liturgy you are invited to:

Gather a simple agape meal such as a plate of finger foods such as cheese, crackers and grapes.
Gather items for foot washing such as a pitcher, basin, and towel, or, a damp cloth.
Bring a Bible for use at the end of the liturgy.

Tonight we become participants in the series of events
that took place during Jesus' last hours leading to his crucifixion.

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Welcome

Jesus celebrates his last meal with his disciples

At home you are invited to share a simple plate of food remembering that Jesus shared a meal with his disciples in "the upper room". Matthew (26:17-19), Mark (14:12-16) and Luke (22:7-14) report that this meal was the Jewish Passover. John (13:1-2) records this meal taking place on the evening before the Passover.

The picture you will see while eating your agape meal,
depicts a traditional space where the Passover might have taken place.

The Table

Chris Tomlin, Ed Cash, and Wayne Jolley

Jesus washes his disciples' feet

Only John (13:2-20) gives the account of Jesus washing his disciples' feet.

At home you are invited to follow Jesus' example, either washing one another's feet or taking time to bathe your own feet, or use some scented oil to anoint the feet,
while reflecting on the love of Jesus for each and everyone expressed in this act

The King of Love

Healey Willan

Jesus renames bread and wine as his Body and Blood

Jesus broke bread and took the cup of wine and told his disciples that these two signs are the "new covenant made for us with God, by the sacrifice of Jesus' own body and blood. Jesus then gave his disciples the command to continue sharing these signs and this meal in remembrance of him.

The Great Thanksgiving

Priest The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Priest Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**
Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

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

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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. **AMEN.**

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

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

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast.

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

Jesus, we believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. We desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving as we proclaim your resurrection. We love you above all things, and long for you in our souls.

Since we cannot receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into our hearts. Cleanse and strengthen us with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let us never be separated from you. May we live in you, and you in us, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

Lamb of God

Marjorie Landsmark-DeLewis

The Postcommunion Prayer

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Jesus walks to the Mount of Olives to pray in the Garden of Gethsemane

Following Jesus' meal with his disciples they sang a hymn and then – with the exception of Judas – walked to the Garden of Gethsemane on the Mount of Olives where Jesus prepared in prayer for his arrest, trial and crucifixion.

Humble King

Brenton Brown

Jesus is arrested, stripped, mocked by the Roman guards

You are invited to reflect on Jesus' brutal treatment at the hands of the Roman guards.

Let Nothing Ever Grieve Thee

The Masterworks Chorale

Jesus is awake through the night: questioned, tried, and condemned to death.

We pause in the quiet of our homes to briefly watch with Jesus,
as alone through the night he bore his trial and condemnation to death.

At home you are invited to light a candle and read Matthew 26: 30-56 to conclude the liturgy.