

Maundy Thursday

Holy Eucharist Rite II – 6:00 p.m.

April 1, 2021



Saint Theodore's Episcopal Church

Bella Vista, Arkansas

The Right Reverend Larry R. Benfield,

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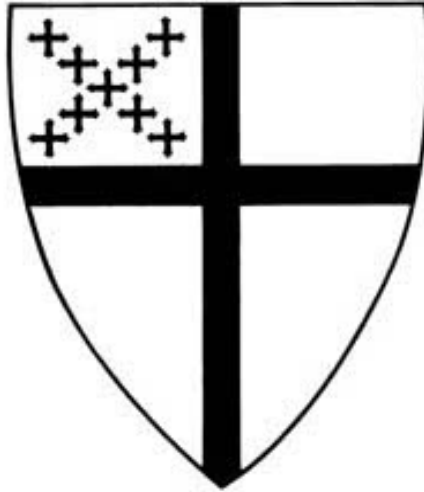
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All of the following service can be found in the
1979 Book of Common Prayer
Scripture lessons are taken from the
Revised Common Lectionary (RCL) for Year B and are from the
New Revised Standard Version of the Bible

Prelude

Processional Hymn

Hymn

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People *His mercy endures for ever.*

Collect for Purity

Celebrant **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.*

Celebrant Lord, have mercy upon us.

People *Christ have mercy upon us.*

Celebrant Lord, have mercy upon us.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Celebrant Let us pray. (*Remain standing as able*)

Collect of the Day

Celebrant **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 Liturgy of the Word

The Lessons (*Sit and remain seated until the Gospel*)

FIRST READING: Exodus 12:1-14a

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.

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 judgements: 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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 116:1, 10-17

- 1 I love the LORD, because he has heard the voice of
my supplication, *
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 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,
- 17 In the courts of the LORD'S house, *
in the midst of you O Jerusalem.
Hallelujah!

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

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, 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.**

Organ interlude before the Gospel

The Holy Gospel (*Stand as able*) John 13:1-17, 31b-35

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Savior 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 Jews 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."

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sermon (*Sit*)

Chris Schaefer

Prayers of the People - Form III (BCP 387)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Celebrant: Let us pray for the Church and the world.

Litanist Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
People **That we all may be one.**

Litanist Grant that every member of the Church may truly
and humbly serve you;
People **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

Litanist We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
People **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word
and Sacraments.**

Litanist We pray for all who govern and hold authority in
the nations of the world;
People **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Litanist Give us grace to do your will in all that we
undertake;
People **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Litanist Have compassion on those who suffer from any
grief or trouble;
People **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Litanist Give to the departed eternal rest; especially all
those who have succumbed to the Corona virus.
People **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Litanist We praise you for your saints who have entered
into joy;

People **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Litanist Let us pray for our own needs and those of others; for those of our parish family for whom prayers have been asked: Don, Rose, Gene, Julia, Angie, Amanda, Marianne, Becky, Karen Kay, Valerie, Elwin, Sue, the Rector Search Committee, and all those who have contracted Covid-19 and all who care for them. *(Pause)*

Silence

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Celebrant

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Celebrant and People

(BCP 360)

**Most merciful God,
we confess that 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.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

The Celebrant stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

Amen.

All stand as able. The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Organ music is played and the people may sit as the Celebrant prepares the Table.

After the Table has been prepared, the People stand and the Celebrant says:

All things come of thee, O Lord

People: And of thine own have we given thee.

The Holy Eucharist

The Great Thanksgiving - Prayer A (BCP 361)

The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and says

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 him thanks and praise.**

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

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:

Celebrant and People

**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.

The people stand or kneel as able.

The Celebrant continues

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:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

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.

People **AMEN.**

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

The Lord's Prayer (*Kneel as able*)

**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.**

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread, and the following is said.

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

Invitation

Celebrant The gifts of God for the People of God.

Celebrant receives Communion in both kinds and then invites the online congregation to receive a spiritual communion.

A spiritual communion is a personal devotional to express one's desire to receive Holy Communion when circumstances prevent them from actually receiving the consecrated elements.

Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and Online Congregation

Congregants in attendance may pray silently.

Beloved Jesus,

**I believe that you are present
in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar.**

**I love you above all things,
and I desire to receive you into my soul.**

**Since I cannot at this moment receive you
in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood,
come spiritually into my heart.**

I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you.

Let me never be separated from you

in this life or in the life to come. Amen.

*Celebrant distributes communion to the congregation. Please remain
in your pew, either standing or kneeling as you are able.*

Closing Prayer

Celebrant says

Let us pray

Celebrant and People

(BCP 365)

**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.**

The Blessing

May the One who glorified Christ keep you in Divine power and love.

May you be Christ's body and blood in the world, living in remembrance of Jesus and following his example of humility and service with perfect peace and courage.

May the Holy Spirit inspire in you such love for one another that all may know that you are disciples of Jesus.

And the blessing of our immortal God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. Amen.

The Stripping of the Altar (*Kneel or sit*)

Psalm 22

Read by lector as altar is stripped

- 1 My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?
and are so far from my cry and from the words of
my distress?
- 2 O my God, I cry in the daytime, but you do not
answer;
by night as well, but I find no rest.

- 3 Yet you are the Holy One,
enthroned upon the praises of Israel.
- 4 Our forefathers put their trust in you;
they trusted, and you delivered them.
- 5 They cried out to you and were delivered;
they trusted in you and were not put to shame.
- 6 But as for me, I am a worm and no man,
scorned by all and despised by the people.
- 7 All who see me laugh me to scorn;
they curl their lips and wag their heads, saying,
- 8 "He trusted in the LORD; let him deliver him;
let him rescue him, if he delights in him."
- 9 Yet you are he who took me out of the womb,
and kept me safe upon my mother's breast.
- 10 I have been entrusted to you ever since I was born;
you were my God when I was still in my mother's
womb.
- 11 Be not far from me, for trouble is near,
and there is none to help.
- 12 May young bulls encircle me;
strong bulls of Bashan surround me.
- 13 They open wide their jaws at me,
like a ravening and a roaring lion.

- 14 I am poured out like water; all my bones are out of
joint;
my heart within my breast is melting wax.
- 15 My mouth is dried out like a pot-sherd; my tongue
sticks to the roof of my mouth;
and you have laid me in the dust of the grave.
- 16 Packs of dogs close me in, and gangs of evildoers
circle around me;
they pierce my hands and my feet; I can count all
my bones.
- 17 They stare and gloat over me;
they divide my garments among them; they cast
lots for my clothing.
- 18 Be not far away, O LORD;
you are my strength; hasten to help me.
- 19 Save me from the sword,
my life from the power of the dog.
- 20 Save me from the lion's mouth,
my wretched body from the horns of wild bulls.
- 21 I will declare your Name to my brethren;
in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.
- 22 Praise the LORD, you that fear him;
stand in awe of him, O offspring of Israel;
all you of Jacob's line, give glory.
- 23 For he does not despise nor abhor the poor in their
poverty; neither does he hide his face from them;
but when they cry to him he hears them.

- 24 My praise is of him in the great assembly;
I will perform my vows in the presence of those
who worship him.
- 25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied, and those who
seek the LORD shall praise him:
“May your heart live for ever!”
- 26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to
the LORD,
and all the families of the nations shall bow before
him.
- 27 For kingship belongs to the LORD;
he rules over the nations.
- 28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in
worship;

After the altar is stripped, the Celebrant will take the unconsumed communion hosts to the Altar of Repose. After the Celebrant has left the nave, the ushers will assist congregation with departure.

Depart in silence

Participants in the service:

<i>Celebrant</i>	The Reverend Lowell Grisham
<i>Preacher</i>	Chris Schaefer
<i>Organist</i>	Robbie Hubbard
<i>Acolyte</i>	Josh Goodrich
<i>Readers</i>	Diane Landmesser, Anne Streeter
<i>Usher/ERP Volunteer</i>	David Wade