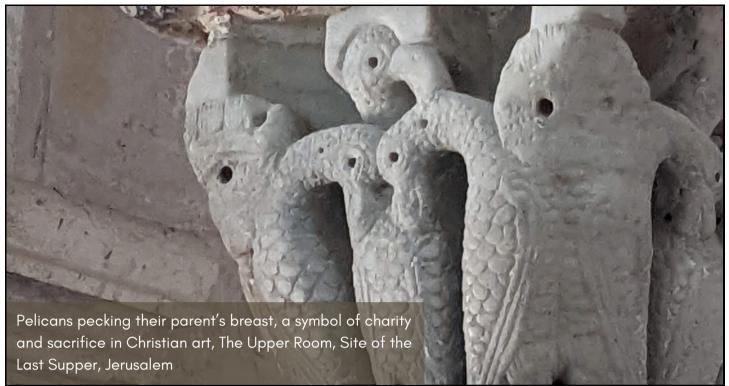
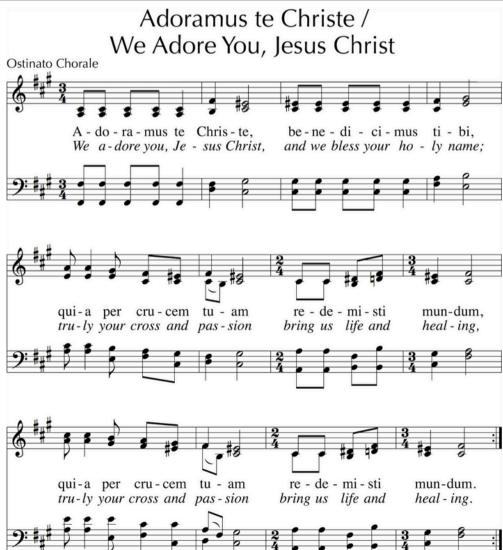
# MAUNDY THURSDAY



ST. STEPHEN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH





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The Tree Sculpture represents the Christian Church with Christ as the trunk and the various denominations springing forth as branches and leaves. This sculpture is found in the Upper Room, site of the Last Supper, Jerusalem. Light and peace, in Jesus Christ Our Lord. **Thanks be to God.** 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.** 

A reading from Exodus 12:1-4, (5-10), 11-14

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.

### 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.

### Ad Te Jesu Christe Canon\* (1)[2] Ad te Je su Chri vá - vi á - ni-mam ste le lift Ι you, Christ soul Je - sus. ир my to my re -Le van mi al ma, te in vo - co a ti. oh to Last time (3) 4 Sal - vá tor mun - di, in rá - vi. Ad me - am. te spe тv deem - er. All earth's sal - va tion, hope is in you. Ι Cris - to. Τú res Sal-va-ción: en pe - ro. Le e ti es

\*May be sung as a 2- or 4-part Canon.

Text: Psalm 25:1, 5; Taizé Community

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## The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John 13:1-17, 31b-35 Glory to you, O 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."

The Gospel of our Savior. Praise to you, O Christ.

### Homily & Foot Washing



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(Please stand as able)

We believe in one God. the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate: he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## Prayers of the People

The Lord Jesus, after he had washed the feet of the disciples, 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."

## 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.

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

## 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.

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

That this evening may be holy, good, and peaceful, **We entreat you, O Lord.** 

That your holy angels may lead us in paths of peace and goodwill, **We entreat you, O Lord.** 

That we may be pardoned and forgiven for our sins and offenses, **We entreat you, O Lord.** 

That there may be peace to your Church and to the whole world, **We entreat you, O Lord.** 

That we may depart this life in your faith and fear, and not be condemned before the great judgment seat of Christ, **We entreat you, O Lord.** 

At this time your own prayers of petition and thanksgiving are offered either silently or aloud

That we may be bound together by your Holy Spirit in the communion of all your saints, entrusting one another and all our life to Christ, **We entreat you, O Lord.** 

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

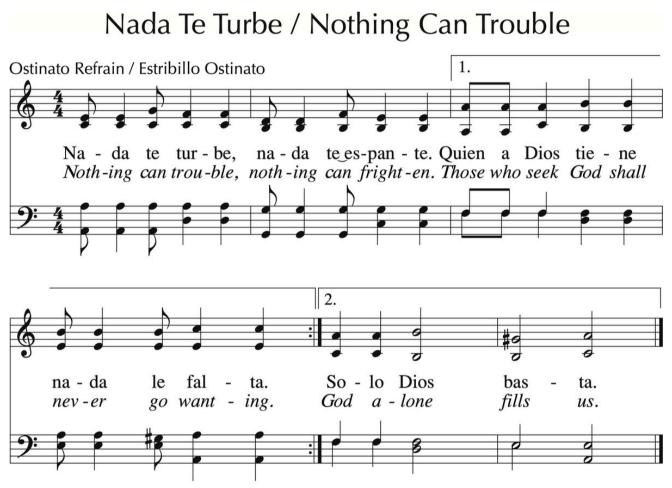
Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty, everlasting God, let our prayer in your sight be as incense, the lifting up of our hands as the evening sacrifice. Give us grace to behold you, present in your Word and Sacraments, and to recognize you in the lives of those around us. Stir up in us the flame of that love which burned in the heart of your Son as he bore his passion, and let it burn in us to eternal life and to the ages of ages. **Amen**.

## Peace & Offertory

The Peace of of our Savior Jesus Christ be always with you. And also with you.

Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.



Text: St. Teresa of Jesus; Taizé Community, 1986, 1991 Tune: Jacques Berthier, 1923–1994 © 1986, 1991, Les Presses de Taizé, GIA Publications, Inc., agent The Lord be with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Holy God, we give you thanks for your holy name, which you planted in our hearts and for the example of faith you sent us through Jesus your child. **Glory to you forever and ever.** 

You created everything for the glory of your name. You gave us food and drink for our pleasure and that we might give you thanks; You have blessed us with spiritual food and drink and eternal life through your child. Above all we thank you because you are mighty. **Glory to you forever and ever.** 

Paul writes in his 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.

We gather here at this table tonight to remember this moment that Christ shared with his friends. We gather with our friends to take bread, take wine, eat, drink, and remember.

We thank God for the example of this act left to us by Christ and ask God now to bless and sanctify this bread and wine before us today, and to bless and sanctify each and every one of us who are to share it with each other. Through the sharing of our meal together we remember Christ, through this sharing we are gathered to together into one body, through this sharing we experience the joy that is the power of our community, together. **Amen**.

This is Holy food for Holy People. Let us share in the meal together.

## Communion

You are invited to come forward to receive communion.

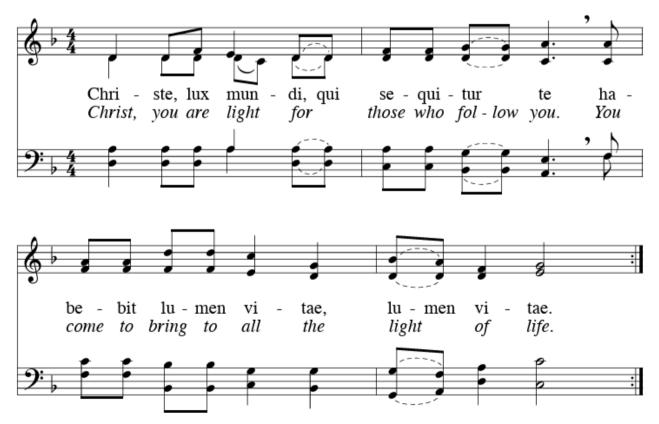


Postcommunion Prayer (Please kneel as able)

Let us pray.

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.



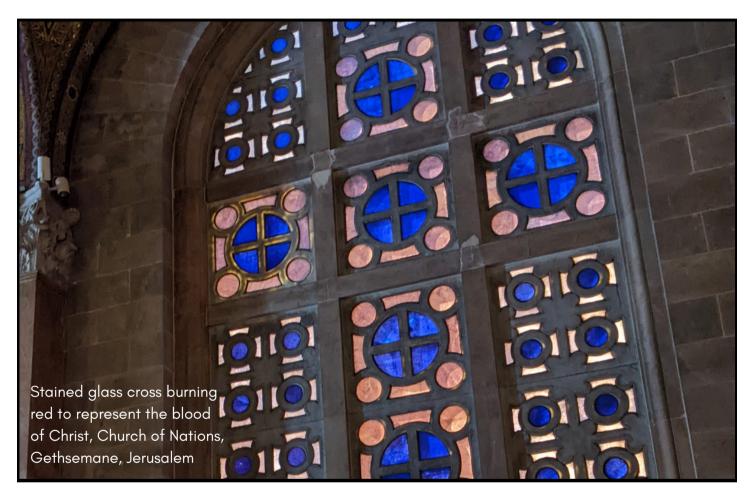


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# **ALTAR STRIPPING**



You are encouraged to participate in this holy act if you so desire, simply walk up to the priest and take the item handed to you through the door and into the sacristy

After everything has been removed from the sanctuary, we will wash the altar in silence, everyone who wishes will be allowed to partake in the washing and drying of the altar

After the washing of the altar our service has concluded and you are asked to leave in silence