

# Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2020

## Maundy Thursday Service

- 1<sup>st</sup> SONG: Meekness & Majesty
- LITURGY – The Gathering  
In the name of the Father,  
And of the Son,  
And of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**  
  
The Lord be with you,  
**And also with you.**  
  
LITURGY – Prayer of Preparation  
**Almighty God,**  
**To whom all hearts are open,**  
**All desires known,**  
**And from whom no secrets are hidden;**  
**Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts**  
**By the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,**  
**That we may perfectly love you,**  
**And worthily magnify you holy name,**  
**Through Christ our Lord.**  
**Amen.**
- LITURGY – Summary of The Law  
Our Lord Jesus Christ said:  
The first commandment is this:  
Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only  
Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with  
all your heart, with all you soul, with all your  
mind, and with all your strength.  
And the second is this:  
Love your neighbour as yourself.  
There is no other commandment greater  
than these. On these two commandments  
hang all the law and the prophets.  
**Amen, Lord, have mercy.**
- LITURGY – Invitation to Confession  
Our Lord Jesus Christ says;  
If you love me, keep my commandments.  
Unless I wash you, you have no part in me.  
Let us confess to almighty God our sins  
against his love, and ask him to cleanse us.

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,**  
**We have sinned against you,**  
**And against our neighbour.**  
**In thought and word and deed.**  
**Through negligence, through weakness,**  
**Through our own deliberate fault.**  
**We are sorry and repent of all our sins.**  
**For the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ,**

**Who died for us, Forgive us all that is  
past, And grant that we may serve you in  
newness of life, to the glory of your name.**  
**Amen.**

Almighty God,  
Who forgives all who truly repent,  
Have mercy upon you,  
Pardon and deliver you from all your sins,  
Confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,  
And keep you in eternal life,  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

- LITURGY – The Collect  
**God our Father,**  
**Your Son Jesus Christ was obedient to  
the end and drank the cup prepared for  
him. May we who share his table, watch  
with him through the night of suffering  
and be faithful.**  
**Amen.**
- 1<sup>st</sup> READING – Exodus 12:1-4, 11-14
- GOSPEL READING - John 13:1-17, 31b-35
- SERMON
- Reflection: ‘The Basin And The Towel’
- LITURGY – The Creed  
Let us declare our faith in God, Father, Son  
and Holy Spirit.

**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 from  
the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and  
was made man.**  
**For our sake he was crucified under  
Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was  
buried, 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 and the Son. Who with the Father and the Son is worshipped 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.**

- LITURGY – Prayers of Intercession

In the power of the Spirit,  
Let us pray to the Father.  
Through Christ the saviour of the world.  
Father, on this, the night he was betrayed,  
Your Son Jesus Christ washed his disciples' feet. We commit ourselves to follow his example of love and service.  
Lord hear us, **And humble us.**

On this night, he prayed for his disciples to be one. We pray for the unity of your Church.  
Lord, hear us, **And unite us.**

On this night, he prayed for those who were to believe through his disciples' message.  
We pray for the mission of your Church.  
Lord, hear us, **And renew our zeal.**

On this night, he commanded his disciples to love, but suffered rejection himself.  
We pray for the rejected and unloved.  
Lord, hear us, **And fill us with your love.**

On this night, he reminded his disciples that if the world hated them it hated him first.  
We pray for those who are persecuted for their faith.  
Lord, hear us, **And give us your peace.**

On this night, he accepted the cup of death and looked forward to the new wine of the kingdom. We remember those who have died in the peace of Christ.  
Lord, hear us, **And welcome all your children into paradise.**

Merciful Father,  
**Accept these prayers,  
For the sake of your Son,  
Our Saviour, Jesus Christ.  
Amen.**

- LITURGY – The Liturgy of the Sacrament (The Peace)

Jesus says: 'Peace I leave with you,  
Peace I give to you.  
Do not let your hearts be troubled,  
Neither let them be afraid.'  
The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**And also with you.**  
*Let us offer one another a sign of peace.*

- LITURGY – Taking of the Bread and Wine

At the eucharist we are with our crucified and risen Lord. We know that it was not only our ancestors, but we who were redeemed and brought forth from bondage to freedom.  
From mourning to feasting.  
We know that as he was with them in the upper room, so our Lord is here with us now.  
**Until the kingdom of God comes, let us celebrate this feast.**

Blessed are you, Lord, God of the universe,  
You bring forth bread from the earth.  
**Blessed be God forever.**

Blessed are you, Lord, God of the universe,  
You created the fruit of the vine.  
**Blessed be God forever.**

- LITURGY – Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord is here.  
**His Spirit is with us.**

Lift us your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right to give you thanks, Father most holy, through Jesus Christ our Lord. For on this night he girded himself with a towel and taking the form of a servant, washed the feet of his disciples.  
He gave us a new commandment, that we should love one another as he had loved us.

Knowing that his hour had come,  
In his great love he gave this supper to his disciples to be a memorial of his passion.  
That we might proclaim his death until he comes again, and feast with him in his kingdom.

Therefore, earth unites with heaven to sing a new song of praise. We too join with angels and archangels as they proclaim your glory without end:

**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.**

How wonderful the work of your hands, O Lord. As a mother tenderly gathers her children, You embraced a people as your own. When they turned away and rebelled your love remained steadfast. From then you raised up Jesus our Saviour, born of Mary, To be the living bread in whom all our hungers are satisfied. He offered his life for sinners, and with a love stronger than death he opened wide his arms on the cross.

On the night before he died, he came to supper with his friends and taking bread, he gave you thanks. He broke it and gave it to them, saying, Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; Do this in remembrance of me.

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine, He gave you thanks, 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. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Christ is the bread of life,  
**When we eat this bread and drink this  
cup, we proclaim your death Lord Jesus,  
Until you come in glory.**

Father, we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once and for all upon the cross. We remember his dying and rising in glory and we rejoice that he intercedes for us at your right hand.

Pour out your spirit as we bring before you these gifts of your creation. May they be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

As we eat and drink these holy things in your presence, form us in the likeness of Christ and build us into a living temple to your glory. Remember, Lord, your church in every land. Reveal her unity, guard her faith, and preserve her in peace.

Bring us at last with all the saints to the vision of that eternal splendour for which you have created us.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom, with whom, and in whom, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven. We worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise.

**Blessing and honour and glory and  
power, be yours for ever and ever.  
Amen.**

- LITURGY – The Lord's Prayer  
As our Saviour taught us, so we pray.  
**Our Father in heaven,  
Hallowed be your name.  
Your kingdom come, your will be done,  
On earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation,  
But deliver us from evil,  
For the kingdom, the power and the glory  
are yours. Now and forever, Amen.**
- LITURGY – Breaking of The Bread  
We break this bread,  
To share in the body of Christ.  
**Though we are many, we are one body,  
Because we all share in one bread.**  
*(We receive Communion)*
- LITURGY – Post-Communion Prayer  
**Lord Jesus Christ, we thank you that in  
this wonderful sacrament you have given  
us the memorial of your passion.  
Grant us so to reverence the sacred  
mysteries of your body and blood that we  
may know within ourselves and show  
forth in our lives the fruit of your  
redemption. For you are alive and reign,  
now and for ever.  
Amen.**
- LITURGY – The Dismissal  
When the disciples had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. Jesus prayed to the Father; 'If it is possible, take this cup of suffering from me'. He said to his disciples; 'How is it that you were not able to keep watch with me for one hour? The time has come for the Son of Man to be handed over to the power of sinful men. Come, let us go.' Christ was obedient unto death. Go in his peace. **Amen.**
- FINAL SONG: Lord Jesus Christ, You Have  
Come To Us