

Maundy Thursday
St. John's Episcopal Church, Ithaca NY
28 March 2024 Year B
7:00 PM

* Indicates please stand

Prelude Trio in G Minor, Op. 49, No. 1` Josef Rheinberger(1839–1901)

***Processional Hymn** Go to dark Gethsemanae (*Petra*) **Hymnal #171**

***Opening Acclamation** **BCP 355**

***Collect For Purity**

***Kyrie** **Hymnal #S-96**

The Collect of the Day

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 First Lesson

Exodus 12:1–14

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.

The Word of the Lord.
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.

The Epistle Reading

1 Corinthians 11:23–26

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.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

***Sequence** Where charity and love prevail (*Cheshire*)

Hymnal #581 vv. 1–3

***The Gospel Reading**

John 13:1–17, 31b–35

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
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.”

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

***Sequence** Where charity and love prevail (*Cheshire*)

Hymnal #581 vv. 4–6

Homily

The Rev. Kit Tobin

Washing of Feet

People come forward to have their feet washed as they wish – and stay to wash the feet of the next person.

***The Prayers of the People**

In the company of Jesus and in unity with his faithful followers in years past and in our present day, let us offer our prayers responding, “Kyrie eleison.”

+ For the gift of humility, that we may mirror the servanthood of Jesus, bending the knee of our hearts to all whose feet have journeyed a long distance, and whose hands have washed away the burdens of others; let us pray.

Kyrie eleison.

+ For peace throughout the world, especially in Ukraine, Israel, and Palestine, and all places where the lust for power fosters tyranny and war; let us pray.

Kyrie eleison.

+ For the courage to face our own unfaithfulness: the kisses of deception, the subtle betrayals, our spiritual sleepiness; that in turning to Christ we may receive the grace that changes lives; let us pray.

Kyrie eleison.

+ For those who keep watch this night, that in watching they may be found, in seeking they may be filled with the Spirit, and in waiting they may find peace; let us pray.

Kyrie eleison.

+ For those who keep watch every night: the hungry, the homeless, the fearful, that Christ may find them in their own gardens of Gethsemane and not leave them in despair; let us pray.

Kyrie eleison.

+ In thanksgiving for this Eucharistic Meal, which gathers us into the fellowship of all the beloved, uniting us with Jesus, whose Divine Presence we now share; let us pray.

Kyrie eleison.

Oh God of all justice and peace, we cry out to you in the midst of the pain and trauma of violence and fear which prevails in the Holy Land. Be with those who need you in these days of suffering; we pray for people of all faiths—Jews, Muslims, and Christians and for all people of the land. While we pray to you, O Lord, for an end to violence and making of peace, we also call to you to bring justice and equity to the peoples. Guide us into your kingdom where all people are treated with dignity and honor as your children, for to all of us you are our Heavenly Father. In Jesus' name we pray.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, and especially for

Joan	Richard	Theodore	Avery	Sandy	Mary Beth
Charles	Linda	Lorraine	Nathan	Amelia	Jack
Wes	Jim	Edith	Jane	Michael	Julianne
Virginia	Gerald	Kathryn	Chris	Susan	Christina
Shirley	Cece	Sarah	Carole	Jeff	Chavon

For those celebrating the anniversary of their birth this week:
Scott Miller, William Hoekenga, Aelish Roman, Heather Dietz, Ryan Welsh

Confession Of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*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.*

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.*

***The Peace**

Please remain in your pews. Wave!

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

Announcements & Welcome

Offertory Sentence

Anthem God so loved the world

John Stainer (1840–1901)

***Presentation Hymn** God is love, and where true love is (*Ubi caritas*)

Hymnal #577

***The Great Thanksgiving**

Expanded Language Prayer A

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 our thanks and praise.

Celebrant: *continuing:* Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Holy, holy, holy (*Sanctus*)

Hymnal #S-113

Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had fallen into sin and became 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 maker of all.

Jesus 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 Savior 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, Jesus 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:

Christ has died

Christ is risen

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ’s 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 Christ.

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 Jesus Christ our Savior. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and forever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Fraction Anthem **Lamb of God** (*Agnus Dei*)

Hymnal #S-157

The Communion of the People

All people are invited to the Lord's Table.

Eucharist will be distributed in the center aisle. Please come forward in a single line to receive.

You may either intinct your wafer in the small chalice, or you may drink from the larger common chalice after consuming the wafer.

Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

Communion Music Go to Dark Gethsemane

Thou, who at thy first Eucharist didst pray (*Song 1*)

Bell Choir

Hymnal #315

Post Communion 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.*

Stripping of the Altar

The congregation may remain kneeling or be seated for the stripping of the altar. The church will be darkened. All objects, vessels, and hangings will be removed and the altar will be washed with wine and water, thus preparing the church for the Good Friday Liturgy.

Officiant: They divide my garments among them; they cast lots for my clothing.

Psalm 22

Read in unison, slowly

BCP 610

Officiant: They divide my garments among them; they cast lots for my clothing.

The Watch Begins (Matthew 26:30–46)

The congregation is asked to leave the church grounds in complete silence.

Liturgical Ministers: Muriel Everhart, Beverly Way, Sara VanLooy

Virtual Vergers: Michael Roman, Sara VanLooy

The Eucharistic and Aumbry candles this month are given to the Glory of God in memory of Irene Noss and Edith N. Arlin by Mary Arlin.

This evening we welcome The Rev. Kit Tobin as our celebrant and guest preacher.

St. John's extends a warm welcome to visitors! May you experience the Lord's presence during worship.

Please fill out a visitor card and place it in the offering plate.

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Go to dark Gethsemane (*Petra*) Hymnal #171

1. Go to dark Gethsemane,
ye that feel the tempter's power;
your Redeemer's conflict see,
watch with him one bitter hour;
turn not from his griefs away,
learn of Jesus Christ to pray.
2. Follow to the judgment hall;
view the Lord of life arraigned;
O the wormwood and gall!
O the pangs his souls sustained!
Shun not suffering, shame, or loss;
learn of him to bear the cross.
3. Calvary's mournful mountain climb;
there, adoring at his feet,
mark the miracle of time,
God's own sacrifice complete;
"It is finished!" hear him cry;
learn of Jesus Christ to die.

Where charity and love prevail (*Cheshire*) Hymnal #581

- 1 Where charity and love prevail
there God is ever found;
brought here together by Christ's love
by love are we thus bound.
- 2 With grateful joy and holy fear
his charity we learn;
let us with heart and mind and strength
now love him in return.
- 3 Forgive we now each other's faults
as we our faults confess;
and let us love each other well
in Christian holiness.

4 Let strife among us be unknown
let all contention cease;
be his the glory that we seek,
be ours his holy peace.

5 Let us recall that in our midst
dwells God's begotten Son;
as members of his Body joined
er are in him made one.

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God is Love, and where true love is (*Ubi caritas*) Hymnal #577

- 1 Here in Christ we gather, love of Christ
our calling.
Christ, our love, is with us, gladness be his
greeting.
Let us fear and love him, holy God
eternal.
Loving him, let each love Christ in one
another.
- 2 When we Christians gather, members of
one Body,
let there be in us no discord but one spirit.
Banished now be anger, strife and every
quarrel.
Christ, our God, be always present here
among us.
- 3 Grant us love's fulfillment, joy with all
the blessed,
when we see your face, O Savior, in its
glory.
Shine on us, O purest Light of all creation,
be our bliss while endless sages sing your
praises.

**Thou, who at thy first Eucharist didst
pray (*Song 1*)
Hymnal #315**

1. Thou, who at thy first Eucharist didst
pray
that all thy Church might be for ever one,
grant us at every Eucharist to say
with longing heart and soul, "Thy will be
done."

O may we all one bread, one body be,
through this blest sacrament of unity.

2. For all thy Church, O Lord, we
intercede;
make thou our sad divisions soon to cease;
draw us the nearer each to each, we plead,
by drawing all to thee, O Prince of Peace;
thus may we all one bread, one body be,
through this blest sacrament of unity.

3. So, Lord, at length when sacraments
shall cease,
may we be one with all thy Church above,
one with thy saints in one unbroken peace,
one with thy saints in one unbounded
love;
more blessed still, in peace and love to be
one with the Trinity in Unity.



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Forward Day by Day for **February, March, and April** is available on the table in the rear of the church.

Good Friday 12:15 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

This evening service combines the Proper Liturgy for Good Friday with a shortened form of the Stations of the Cross. The Good Friday offering will be used to express our support for the ministries of the three dioceses of the Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East. Checks should be made out to St. John's, with Good Friday Offering in the memo line.

Easter Sunday Services:

Easter Vigil 8:00 pm

Joint Choral Vigil with the Episcopal Church at Cornell and St. Luke's Lutheran Church.

Holy Eucharist (Rite 1) 8:00 a.m.

Spoken service, with hymns and organ music.

Holy Eucharist (Rite II) 10:30 a.m.

Festal Choral Eucharist as we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the grave.

Easter Offering Envelopes are on the table at the back of the nave. They will also be included in your