

Maundy Thursday

March 28, 2024

6:00 pm

An ecumenical service with Immanuel Lutheran Church,
First United Methodist Church, the United Church,
and St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

WELCOME

to St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Big Rapids
a member of the Central Michigan Episcopal Covenant

MAUNDY THURSDAY



The name “Maundy” comes from the Latin *mandatum*, referring to the new commandment in John 13:34. The liturgy celebrates the events of the Last Supper, the footwashing and the institution of the eucharist. It is the only eucharist celebrated between Wednesday and the Great Vigil and

ties the events of the Last Supper to those of Good Friday.

The tradition of the footwashing comes from an understanding from John’s gospel 13:14-15, and 34 where Jesus said, “So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you ought also to wash one another’s feet. For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you.” and “I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another.” Therefore, the washing of feet is the outward and visible sign of the love of Christ, which we are commanded to share with one another.



THE WORD OF GOD

Processional Hymn

Jesu! Jesu!, Hymnal 1982, #602

Opening Greeting

United Methodist Book of Worship

Presider The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

People Christ has prepared a feast of love.

The Collect of the Day

Episcopal Book of Common Prayer

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider 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.**

Reader A Reading from the book of Exodus.

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.

Reader The word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Psalm*Read responsively***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 Second Reading**1 Corinthians 11:23-26**

Reader A reading from Paul's 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.

Reader The word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gospel Hymn*Go to dark Gethsemane , Hymnal 1982, #171*

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Lord 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."

Presider The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Homily

The Rev. Radha Kaminski

Foot and Hand Washing Litany

Adapted from Methodist & Episcopal Prayers

Presider O Prince of Peace, O Friend of Sinners,
we praise you and give you thanks,
because you laid aside your power as a garment
and took upon yourself the form of a slave.

**People You became obedient unto death, even death on a cross.
You allowed yourself to be born to die in our place,
You allowed your own feet to be anointed for death.
You allowed a sinner to wash your feet with her tears.
For God chose what is low and despised in the world
to bring to nothing things that are.
Therefore, with the woman who gave you birth,
with the woman who anointed you for death,
with the woman who worshiped you with her tears,
and with all our fellow sinners
who have loved and served you from that time till now,
we praise you, Lord Jesus.**

Presider O Eternal Father, blessed is our brother Jesus,
who on that night before Passover,
rose from the Supper, laid aside his garments
took a towel and poured water,
and washed his disciples' feet, saying to them:
"If I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet,
you also ought to wash one another's feet.
If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them."

**People Come now, mighty Spirit of God,
wash us and make us one body in Christ,
that, as we are bound together in this act of love,
we may no longer be in bondage
to the principalities and powers that enslave creation,
but may know your liberating peace
such as the world cannot give. Amen.**

Presider Therefore, I invite you who share in the royal priesthood of Christ to
come forward, that we may follow the example of our Lord,
remembering the new commandment that he gave this night, "Love
one another as I have loved you. By this shall the world know that you
are my disciples." Come remembering his admonition that what will be
done for us is also to be done by us to others.

*We invite you to participate as you are able in this ancient practice instituted by Christ by
having your own feet or hands washed.*

*Those who desire to have their feet or hands washed are invited to come forward to the basins
where the Revs. Jeremy and Radha will wash your feet or hands. Please be prepared to remove
your socks and shoes if you wish to have your feet washed.*

1 Will you let me be your ser - vant, let me be as
 2 We are pil - grims on a jour - ney, we are trav - 'lers
 3 I will hold the Christ - light for you in the night - time
 4 I will weep when you are weep - ing; when you laugh I'll
 5 Will you let me be your ser - vant, let me be as

Christ to you? Pray that I may have the grace to
 on the road; we are here to help each oth - er
 of your fear; I will hold my hand out to you,
 laugh with you. I will share your joy and sor - row
 Christ to you? Pray that I may have the grace to

let you be my ser - vant, too.
 walk the mile and bear the load.
 speak the peace you long to hear.
 till we've seen this jour - ney through.
 let you be my ser - vant, too.

Intercessor Let us pray for the Church and for the world.
Merciful God, on this, the night he was betrayed, your Son Jesus Christ washed his disciples' feet. As we commit ourselves to following his example of love and service, teach us humility. God of grace,

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor On this night, Jesus prayed for his disciples to be one. As we grieve for the divisions in the church, unite us. God of grace,

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor On this night, Jesus prayed for those who would come to believe through the disciples' message. As we take up the mission of the church, renew our zeal. God of grace,

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor On this night, Jesus commanded his friends to love, but he suffered rejection himself. As we open our hearts to the rejected and the unloved, fill us with your love. God of grace,

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor On this night, Jesus reminded his people that, if the world hated them, it had hated him first. As we face our own fears, we pray for those who are persecuted for their faith; give us your peace. God of grace,

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor On this night, Jesus loved his friends to the very end. As we open our hearts to all who face darkness tonight, we pray for the sick, those who mourn, those trapped by violence, addiction, or pain: give healing and hope. God of grace,

People Hear our prayer.

Presider Faithful God, these are the prayers of your Church. We offer them trusting and hoping in you. Hear and help us, challenge and change us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Confession and Pardon

United Methodist Book of Worship

Presider Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

**All Merciful God,
we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have failed to be an obedient church.
We have not done your will, we have broken your law,
we have rebelled against your love,
we have not loved our neighbors,
and we have not heard the cry of the needy.
Forgive us, we pray.
Free us for joyful obedience,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.** *All pray in silence.*

Presider Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

People In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

All Glory to God. Amen.

The Peace

Episcopal Book of Common Prayer

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you. *The People greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory

Episcopal Book of Common Prayer

Presider Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

The gifts for communion are brought forward and the table is prepared.

The Great Thanksgiving

Episcopal Book of Common Prayer

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every-where 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:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and

The first system of musical notation for 'The Sanctus'. It consists of a treble and bass staff in a 3/4 time signature with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The melody is primarily composed of quarter and eighth notes, with some rests. The lyrics are: 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and'.

might, — Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

The second system of musical notation. It continues the melody from the first system. The lyrics are: 'might, — Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,'. The notation includes a long note with a horizontal line underneath, indicating a sustained sound.

God of power and might, — hea - ven and earth are

The third system of musical notation. The lyrics are: 'God of power and might, — hea - ven and earth are'. The melody features a long note with a horizontal line underneath, similar to the second system.

full, — full of your glo - ry. Ho -

The fourth system of musical notation. The lyrics are: 'full, — full of your glo - ry. Ho -'. The melody concludes with a long note with a horizontal line underneath.

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Setting: From *Deutsche Messe*, Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

Presider 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,

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

Presider 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.

All AMEN.

The Lord's Prayer

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

**All 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.

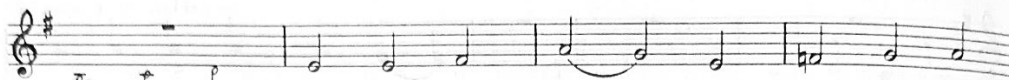
**And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

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 Breaking of the Bread

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept. Then all sing:



O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a .



way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up .



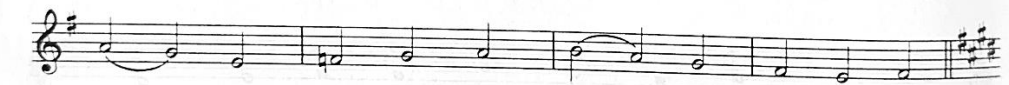
on us. O Lamb of God, that



ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have



mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of



God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the



world, grant us thy peace.

Setting: From *Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena*, Healey Willan (1880-1968)




The Invitation





Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All are welcome at God's table.

Please come forward and kneel or stand at the altar rail to receive communion. Return to your pew by the side aisle. If you need communion brought to you, let an usher know.

After you receive communion, please go into the parish hall and find your seat for the Agape dinner. We will begin the meal once all are gathered.

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE BREAD - You can either,		
	CONSUME	Hold out your hands and then eat the bread after it is placed in your hand.
	GLUTEN-FREE	If you require a gluten-free wafer, please clasp your hands.
	BLESSING	If you prefer not to receive, cross your arms for a blessing.

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE WINE - You can either,		
	DRINK	Hold the base of the chalice and guide it to your lips to drink the wine.
	INTINCT	Hold up the bread. The minister will take the bread, dip it for you, and hand it back to you.
	NOT RECEIVE	Cross your arms. The minister will hold the chalice up, but you will not drink.
	NON-ALCHOLIC	If you require non-alcoholic wine, clasp your hands. After drinking, hand the cup back.

Communion Hymn

I come with joy to meet my Lord, Hymnal 1982, #304

Agape Dinner

The following blessing will be offered before we eat.

Presider Blessed are you, O Lord our God, King of the universe. You have blessed the earth to bring forth food to satisfy our hunger. Let this food strengthen us in the fast that is before us, that following our Savior in the way of the cross, we may come to the joy of his resurrection. For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, now and for ever.
Amen.

After dinner, all pray the prayer after communion together.

Prayer after Communion

United Methodist Book of Worship

**All Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery
in which you have given yourself to us.
Grant that we may go into the world
in the strength of your Spirit,
to give ourselves for others,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

All return to the sanctuary in silence.

The Stripping of the Altar

Episcopal Book of Common Prayer

*While the people say Psalm 22 together, the blessed Sacrament, representing Jesus, is carried to the Altar of Repose in the sacristy, which represents for us this night the garden of Gethsemane where Jesus asks all his disciples to wait and watch with him.
The altar is stripped of ornament until all is desolate.*

Psalm 22

- 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 Many 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;
all who go down to the dust fall before him.**
- 29 My soul shall live for him; my descendants shall serve him;
they shall be known as the Lord's for ever.**
- 30 They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn
the saving deeds that he has done.**

All depart in silence. As the service ends, we invite you to meditate on the Lord's time in the Garden of Gethsemane.

An all-night vigil of prayer takes place here in the St. Andrew's sanctuary from now until 9 am tomorrow morning. You are invited to come anytime during the night to watch and wait with Christ. Prayers and meditations are available at the altar of repose.

Join us tomorrow at noon at First United Methodist Church for the liturgy of Good Friday.

All are invited to participate in the Community Choir tomorrow. The choir will sing an anthem during the Good Friday service. If you would like to participate, please attend the pick-up rehearsal at 10:45 am.

Participants in the Service

Presiders: The Reverends Radha Kaminski & Jeremy Wicks

Musician: Bob Garrels

Reader (1st reading): Immanuel Lutheran Church

Reader (Psalm): The United Church

Reader (2nd reading): First United Methodist Church

Intercessor: The United Church

Acolyte: St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

Worship Server: St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

Stripping of the Altar: St. Andrew's Episcopal Church



Good Friday Service

First United Methodist Church NOON 304 Elm St, Big Rapids
with First United Methodist, The United Church, and St. Andrew's Episcopal

Easter Services

St. Mary's Episcopal Church 815 Lincoln St, Cadillac
Saturday, March 30 at 6:00 pm – The Great Vigil of Easter
9:00 am – Easter Sunday Service www.stmaryscadillac.org

First United Methodist Church 304 Elm St, Big Rapids
7:00 am – Easter Sunrise Service www.bigrapidsfirst.org
at Hemlock Park (meet in park parking lot)
10:00 am – Easter Sunday Service

Immanuel Lutheran Church 726 Fuller Ave, Big Rapids
9:30 am – Easter Sunday Service www.immanuelbr.com

The United Church 120 South State St, Big Rapids
9:30 am – Easter Sunday Service www.unitedchurchbr.org

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church 323 South State St, Big Rapids
11:30 am – Easter Sunday Service www.standrewsbr.com