MAUNDY THURSDAY An Act of Love, Holy Eucharist: Rite II, Stripping of the Altar

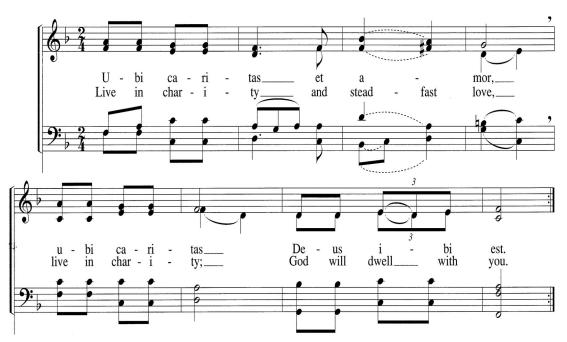


Аркіl 1, 2021 ат 7:00рм

THE WORD OF GOD



OPENING HYMN Ubi Caritas



OPENING ACCLAMATION (please stand)

CelebrantBless the Lord who forgives all our sins;PeopleHis mercy endures for ever.

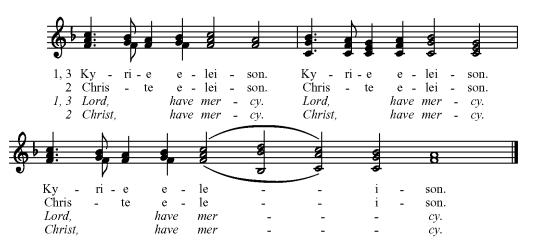
Collect for Purity

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.*

THE TRISAGION

Chara

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLet us pray.

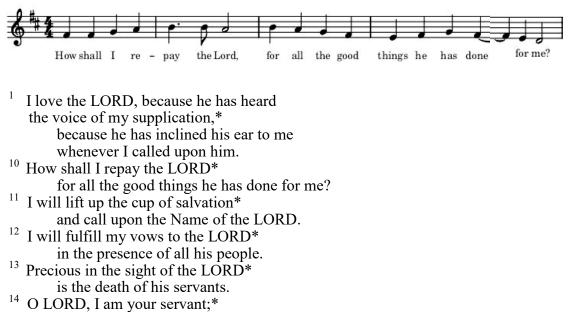
Almighty Father, whose dear Son, on the night before he suffered, instituted the Sacrament of his Body and Blood: Mercifully grant that we may receive it thankfully in remembrance of Jesus Christ our Lord, who in these holy mysteries gives us a pledge of eternal life; and who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE FIRST LESSON: EXODUS 12:1-14 (please be seated for the readings)

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 innerorgans. 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.

PeopleThe Word of the Lord.PropleThanks be to God.

PSALM 116:1, 10-17 (*The psalm will be read responsively breaking at the asterisk*)



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. (Antiphon)

THE SECOND LESSON: 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.

PeopleThe Word of the Lord.PropleThanks be to God.

THE SEQUENCE HYMN Jesus, remember me



THE HOLY GOSPEL: JOHN 13:1-17, 31B-35 (please remain standing)

CelebrantThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.PeopleGlory 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. Jesus said, "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.PeoplePraise to you, Lord Christ.

THE REV. STACEY CATIGANO

AN ACT OF LOVE

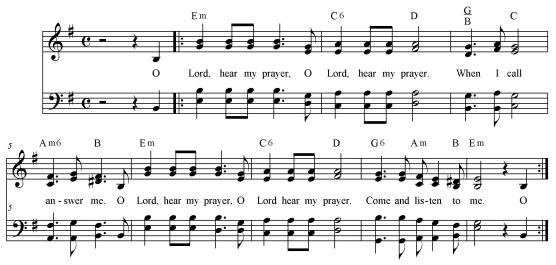
SERMON

Celebrant Fellow servants of our Lord Jesus Christ: On the night before his death, Jesus set an example for his disciples by breaking bread with them, washing their feet, and sharing words of love and encouragement. He taught that strength and growth in the life of the Kingdom of God come not by power, authority, or even miracle, but by humble acts of love. We all need to remember his example, but none stand more in need of this reminder than those whom the Lord has called to lay and ordained ministry.

Therefore, we invite you who share in the royal priesthood of Christ, to share in a humble act of service, that together we may recall whose servants we all are by following the example of our Master. Considering those whom you love, those you long to embrace after what feels like a life-time apart, we invite you to share Christ's love through the humble act of letter writing. You will find a card, envelope, and pen in each of your pews. Take the next few moments to reach out in love to someone you long to break bread with, someone you yearn to embrace, or someone you know could benefit from a word of encouragement.



PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (*kneeling*)



Lord God, you are both host and servant at this meal and in our lives. Teach us, we pray, to follow your example of love, hospitality and service. In your mercy, Lord, *Hear our prayer*.

We pray for your church, broken in many ways. We wait on your guidance and nourishment for our lives, for encouragement and strength for your mission. In your mercy, Lord,

Hear our prayer.

We pray for our leaders, responsible for shaping our common life, that they may lead us in ways of justice and peace. In your mercy, Lord, *Hear our prayer*.

We pray for those who struggle to find food and shelter tonight, who hunger for peace, who ache for warmth and friendship. Heal broken hearts and spirits. Encircle the sick with your healing embrace. We pray for those who know the pain of betrayal, and for those who face death today. In your mercy, Lord, *Hear our prayer*.

We leave this place singing hymns of love. Embed them in our lives that we may teach others to sing. We follow you into the garden, into the unknown, teach us to trust the lessons of this night. In your mercy, Lord, *Hear our prayer*.

(O Lord, hear my prayer.)

THE PEACE

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

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

The Offertory	In Remembrance	Chara
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING	: Eucharistic Prayer A	BCP 361

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 God thanks and praise.

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 say 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 the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

During the season of Lent and Holy Week, it is customary to kneel for the Eucharistic Prayer.

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.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

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.

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. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

A spiritual communion is a devotional that anyone can pray to express their desire to receive Holy Communion, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving the sacrament.

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.

ADMINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

Taste and See **COMMUNION MUSIC**

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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.

Our Father, who art in heaven. hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come,

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us: *Therefore let us keep the feast.* People

THE INVITATION

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

A PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

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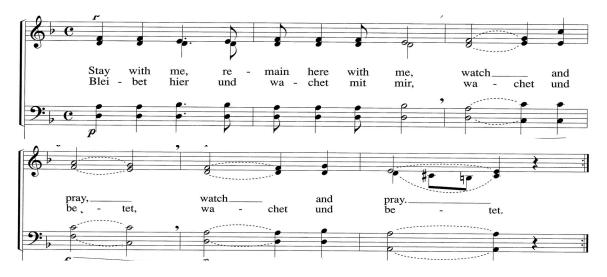
THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER (please stand)

Celebrant 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.

STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR (please remain kneeling)

A MUSICAL OFFERING



While the altar is stripped, all are invited to kneel and pray. Once the altar is stripped, the servers will depart without ceremony and in darkness. At that time, you may depart in silence.

UPCOMING MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S:

SUNDAY, APRIL 4

6:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. Joint Sunrise Service at St. Edward's Episcopal Church Festive Holy Eucharist with the Renewal of Baptismal Vows (church, courtyard, and livestreamed)

Monday, April 5

Office Closed

TUESDAY, APRIL 6

9:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting
2:30 p.m.	Food Pantry
2:30 p.m.	Capital Campaign Committee
4:00 p.m.	Finance Committee
5:00 p.m.	VH Dance (Auditorium)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7

12:00 p.m.Noon Day Prayer (Sanctuary)

THURSDAY, APRIL 8

2:30 p.m.Food Pantry7:00 p.m.Handbell Practice (Auditorium)

SATURDAY, APRIL 10

9:00 a.m. Community Breakfast

Weekly Support Ministries

AA:Tuesday - 6:00-7:00 p.m. (All Purpose Room)NA:Monday and Wednesday - 12:00 Noon (All Purpose Room)

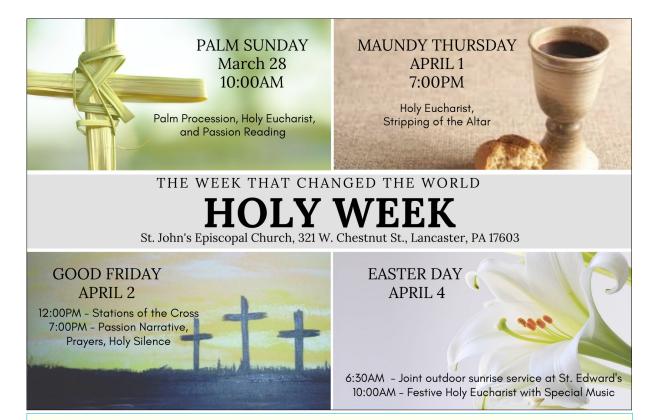
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THE CHILDREN OF ST. JOHN'S ARE INVTED TO

ST. JOHN'S EASTER PARTY

Saturday, April 3 10:30 am - 11:30 am St. John's Courtyard

We will begin with the liturgy of light, play some games and end with an Easter egg hunt!



SUNDAY, APRIL 4 @ 6:30AM

JOIN US FOR AN OUTDOOR SERVICE AS WE CELEBRATE THE RESURRECTION THROUGH MUSIC, SACRAMENT, AND PRAYER!

ST. EDWARD'S CHURCH 2453 HARRISBURG PIKE, LANCASTER, PA 17601

PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR MASK!

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GROW IN GOD, ACT IN SERVICE, WITNESS IN LOVE