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Maundy Thursday

April 2, 2026 – Holy Eucharist – 7:00PM

Presider: The Rev. Brendon Bedford

Homilist: The Rev. Canon Dr. Grayhame Bowcott

Lay Reader: Francis Richardson

Organist: Ashton Dunk

Reader: Garry Minielly

Cantor: Lynn McTaggart

Server: Sarah Howard

Greeter: Garry Minielly



Our Land Acknowledgement

We at Christ Church are gathered together on the territory of the Saugeen Ojibway Nation and commit ourselves to the hard work of reconciliation.



Our Mission Statement

Christ Church is committed to live in a generous and loving spirit in all its relationships.

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Prelude: Take This Cup – Jerry Van Der Pol (H.W. Gray Publications).

Please stand, as you are able.

OPENING SENTENCE

INTROIT HYMN Where Charity and Love Prevail #487

blue hymn book

Gathering of the Community

Presider: This is the day that Christ the Lamb of God gave himself into the hands of those who would slay him.

This is the day that Christ gathered with his disciples in the upper room.

This is the day that Christ took a towel and washed the disciples' feet, giving us an example that we should do to others as he has done to us.

This is the day that Christ our God gave us this holy feast, that we who eat this bread and drink this cup may here proclaim his Holy Sacrifice and be partakers of his resurrection, and at the last day may reign with him in heaven.

Presider: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

People: **and also with you.**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Presider: Almighty God,

All: **to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you 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 your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

KYRIE ELEISON, CHRISTE ELEISON, KYRIE ELEISON
(Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy,)

#179, Sing a New Creation

Cantor *All*
Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.

Cantor *All*
Chris - te e - lei - son. Chris - te e - lei - son.

Cantor *All* Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Please be seated.

The Proclamation of the Word

THE FIRST READING

Exodus 12:1-14.

Reader: A reading from the book of Exodus

At the end of the reading,

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 116:1, 10-17



The psalm refrain is sung once by the cantor and is then repeated by the congregation.

- (1) I love you, O God,
- (2) because you have heard the voice of my supplication,
- (3) because you have inclined your ear to me
- (4) whenever I called upon you. **R.**

- (1) How shall I repay you, O God,
- (2) for all the good things you have done for me?
- (3) I will lift up the cup of salvation
- (4) and call upon your name, O God. **R.**

- (1) I will fulfil my vows to you, O God,
- (2) in the presence of all your people.
- (3) Precious in your sight, O God,
- (4) is the death of your servants. **R.**

- (1) O God, I am your servant;
- (1) I am your servant and the child of your handmaid;
- (2) you have freed me from my bonds.
- (3) I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving
- (4) and call upon your name, O God. **R.**

- (1) I will fulfil my vows to you, O God,
- (2) in the presence of all your people.
- (3) In the courts of God's house,
- (4) in the midst of Jerusalem. **R.**

THE SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Reader: A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

At the end of the reading

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Please stand, as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

#717 is played once and repeated by congregation.

717 Praise to You, O Lord

Unison

Praise to you, O Lord, King of e - ter - nal glo - ry.

The image shows a musical score for a unison song. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The melody is written in the treble staff, and the bass line is in the bass staff. The lyrics are written below the treble staff, aligned with the notes. The lyrics are: 'Praise to you, O Lord, King of e - ter - nal glo - ry.' The word 'e' is under a note, 'ter' is under a note, 'nal' is under a note, and 'glo' is under a note, with 'ry.' following. The music ends with a double bar line.

Please turn to face the Gospel reader.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 13:1-17, 31b-35

Gospeller: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

People: **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

At the end of the Gospel reading:

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

As before the Gospel, #717 is repeated by congregation.

HOMILY

The Rev. Canon Dr. Grayhame Bowcott
Rector, St. George's, Parish of the Blue Mountains

Choral Anthem God So Loved the World – Eugene Engbert (GIA Pub Inc.)
Choirs of St. George's, Parish of the Blue Mountains & Christ Church Meaford.

WASHING OF FEET

President: Fellow servants of our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night before his death, Jesus set an example for his disciples by washing their feet, an act of humble service. He taught that strength and growth in the life of the kingdom of God come not by power, authority, or even miracle, but by such lowly service.

Therefore, I invite you who share in the royal priesthood of Christ, to come forward, that I may recall whose servant I am by following the example of my Master. But come remembering his admonition that what will be done for you is also to be done by you to others, for “a servant is not greater than his master, nor is one who is sent greater than the one who sent him. If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them.”

All members of the congregation are invited forward to sit in a front pew, remove their shoes and have their feet washed.

Music during the Washing of Feet: Ubi Caritas et Amor #553

(Latin text followed by English.)

Ubi caritas et amor, ubi caritas, Deus ibi est.

Live in charity and steadfast love, live in charity; God will dwell with you.

Please kneel or sit, as you are able.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Francis Richardson

Lay Reader

Please stand, as you are able.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Lay Reader: Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God’s forgiveness.

Lay Reader: Most merciful God,

All: 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 neighbours 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.

Presider: Almighty God 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.

People: Amen.

Please stand, as you are able.

THE PEACE

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Members of the congregation greet one another with a sign of peace.

Remain standing, as you are able.

OFFERTORY HYMN Thou, Who at Thy First Eucharist #57

blue hymn book

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Eucharistic Prayer # 3– BAS page 198 with preface for Holy Week 1

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: (BAS pg 221) Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth, we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord

Therefore with all the host of heaven who gather around your throne and the Lamb, we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

THE SANCTUS (HOLY)

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord - #735 (blue hymn book)

**All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might**

**heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

Presider: We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation;

Therefore, Father, according to his command,

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

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.
by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Presider: And now, as our Saviour 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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF BREAD (Fraction Rite)

The Lamb Of God (Agnus Dei - Sung)

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.**

THE COMMUNION

Presider: The gifts of God for the People of God.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Please be seated.

All baptized Christians, regardless of denomination, are welcome to receive communion at God's altar.

If you are not baptized, you are very welcome to come forward to the communion rail for a blessing, indicating so by crossing your arms over your chest.

Gluten free hosts (wafers) are available at the altar rail upon request.

HYMN DURING COMMUNION Draw Near and Take #49 blue hymn book

Please stand, as you are able.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

THE STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR

Reader: A reading from the Gospel according to Matthew.

Matthew 26:30-46

- † *The reserved sacrament is processed to the altar of repose in the Chapel of St. George.*
- † *The ambry, where reserved sacrament and holy oils are kept, is emptied and left open.*
- † *The clergy, assisted by the Chancel Guild, remove ornaments, candles, hangings, and linens in the church, recalling the stripping of Jesus at his crucifixion.*
- † *The altar, the primary symbol of Jesus in the church building, is washed with water and wine, recalling the preparation of His body for burial.*

Hymn Stay with Me (Taizé) (Jacques Berthier and Taize © 1984).

Musical notation for the first part of the hymn. The key signature is one flat (B-flat) and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written on a treble clef staff, and the bass line is on a bass clef staff. Chord symbols are placed above the treble staff: Dm, Gm⁶, Dm, Gm⁶, Dm, C. The lyrics are: Stay with me, re-main here with me; watch and

Musical notation for the second part of the hymn. The key signature is one flat (B-flat) and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written on a treble clef staff, and the bass line is on a bass clef staff. Chord symbols are placed above the treble staff: F, C, Dm, Asus, A. The lyrics are: pray, watch and pray. Above the final measure, the instruction "Repeat as desired" is written. The piece ends with a double bar line.

Once the lights are turned out, the congregation leaves the service in silence and darkness.

All are invited to remain, keep watch, and pray with Jesus in the garden tonight by holding vigil in St. George's Chapel.

All are welcome. Come and pray.

**The second service in the Easter Triduum service,
Good Friday, will be tomorrow at 10:30 AM.**

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Intercessions: For healing and hope, we hold up to God: Ayako, Carol Ann, Heather & family, Charlie & Marg, Deanie, Fraser, Gord, Katharine, Ted, and their families, and any others who are in need of our prayers.

Repose of the Soul: Tom Ingoldsby