

Maundy Thursday April 1, 2021, 7 pm

The Institution of the Lord's Supper and the Stripping of the Altar

Welcome to the Church of St Peter and St Simon the Apostle.

Celebrant: The Reverend Michael Perry Preacher: The Reverend Canon Geoffrey Sangwine Organist: Robin Davis / Jerod Bertram

Mass Setting: Sanctus/Benedictus – Community Mass – Richard Proulx Agnus Dei – Mass for 4 Voices – Wm. Byrd

The service begins on page 185 of the *Book of Alterative Services*.

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Prelude

Improvisation on Pange Lingua

The Gathering of the Community

Celebrant 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.

The Collect

Celebrant O God, your Son Jesus Christ has left to us this meal of bread and wine in which we share his body and his blood. May we who celebrate this sign of his great love show in our lives the fruits of his redemption; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Proclamation of the Word

First Lesson Exodus 12.1-14

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 neighbour 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 judgements: 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. Thanks be to God. All

Psalm 116. 1, 11-18 *Sung by the Cantor.*



Cantor ¹ MY DE-light is in the **Lord**:

because he hath heard the voice of my prayer;

¹¹ What reward shall I give unto the **Lord**:

for all the benefits that he hath done **un**-to me?

¹² I will take the cup of sal-**va**-tion:

and call upon the Name of the LORD.

¹³ I will pay my vows unto the **Lord**:

in the presence of all his peo-ple.

¹⁴ Right dear in the sight of the **Lord**:

is the death of his saints.

¹⁵ Behold, O Lord, how that I am thy **ser**-vant:

I am thy servant and the son of thy handmaid; thou hast broken my bonds in sun-der.

¹⁶ I will offer to thee the sacrifice of thanks-**giv**-ing, : and will call upon the Name **of** the Lord.

¹⁷ I will pay my vows unto the **Lord**:

in the presence of all his peo-ple;

 18 Even in the courts of the Lord's **house**, /

and in the midst of thee, O Jerusa-lem. Praise^ the LORD.

Second Lesson 1 Corinthians 11.23-26

Reader A reading from Paul's first Epistle to the Corinthians.

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.

Reader The Word of the Lord!

All Thanks be to God.

Cantor Drop, drop, slow tears, and bathe those beauteous feet, Which brought from heaven the news and Prince of peace.

> Cease not, wet eyes, his mercies to entreat; To cry for vengeance sin doth never cease.

In your deep floods drown all my faults and fears; Nor let his eye see sin, but through my tears.

The Holy Gospel *John 13.1-17, 31-35*

Gospeller The Lord be with you All And also with you.

Gospeller The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. John.

All Glory to you, Lord Jesus 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.'

Gospeller The Gospel of Christ.

All Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily The Reverend Canon Geoffrey Sangwine

Confession & Absolution

The Celebrant invites the confession of sin. Then is said:

Celebrant 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.

The Absolution is pronounced.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn All for Jesus (Stainer Crucifixion) (Pre-recorded in 2019)

All for Jesus - all for Jesus, This our song shall ever be; For we have no hope, now Saviour, If we have not hope in thee. All for Jesus - thou wilt give us Strength to serve thee hour by hour; None can move us from thy presence, While we trust thy love and power.

All for Jesus - at thine altar Thou wilt give us sweet content; There, dear Lord, we shall receive thee In the solemn Sacrament.

All for Jesus - thou hast loved us; All for Jesus - thou hast died; All for Jesus - thou art with us; All for Jesus crucified

Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant Father, we spread this table to remember the loving sacrifice of Jesus Christ, your Son. Accept all we offer you this day. Bind us together in his love and in the love he has commanded us to bring one another; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues with the proper preface.

It is right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendour of your radiance. Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day, and, beholding your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your name, as we sing,

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Cantor Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

Heav'n 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.

Celebrant We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power; your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation. Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Saviour. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfil your purpose, he gave himself up to death and, rising from the grave, destroyed death and made the whole creation new. And that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfilment the sanctification of all. When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end: at supper with them on this night, he 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." Father, we now celebrate the memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

All We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you, and we pray to you, Lord our God.

Father, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Grant that all who share this bread and this cup may become one

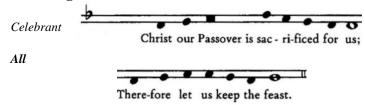
body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ to the praise of your name. Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace. Remember Andrew and Kevin our bishops and all who minister in your Church. Remember the sick and those in need especially *NN*. Remember all who have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone; bring them into the place of eternal joy and light. And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with St Peter and St Simon and all the saints who have found favour with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honour and glory are yours, almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant Lord remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray,.

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.

Breaking of the Bread



Celebrant The gifts of God for the people of God.

All Thanks be to God.

Agnus Dei

Choir Agnus Dei qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

Holy Communion

A Prayer for Spiritual Communion

For those worshipping from home, we commend this prayer for Spiritual Communion.

Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, for all the benefits you have given me, for all the pains and insults you have borne for me.

Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,
I ask you to come spiritually into my heart.

O most merciful redeemer, friend and brother,
may I know you more clearly, love you more dearly,
and follow you more nearly, day by day. Amen.

(The Prayer of St Richard of Chichester - adapted)

Hymn 50 Now, My Tongue, the Mystery Telling

PANGE LINGUA

Cantor Now, my tongue, the mystery telling, of the glorious body sing, and the blood, all price excelling, which the nations' Lord and King, once on earth among us dwelling, shed for this world's ransoming.

That last night, at supper lying with the twelve, his chosen band, Jesus, with the law complying, keeps the feast its rites demand; then, more precious food supplying, gives himself with his own hand.

Word-made-flesh, by word he maketh very bread his flesh to be, wine his blood for whoso taketh; and if senses fail to see, faith alone, the true heart waketh to behold the mystery.

Therefore we, before him bending, this great sacrament revere; types and shadows have their ending, for the newer rite is here; faith, our outward sense befriending, makes our inward vision clear.

Glory let us give, and blessing, to the Father and the Son; honour, thanks, and praise addressing while eternal ages run, and the Spirit's power confessing, who, from both, with both is one.

Motet Ubi Caritas

PAUL MEALLOR

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(Recorded at St. James in June 2019 with SPSS Choir and St. James' Cathedral Choir)

Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.
Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor.
Exultemus, et in ipso iucundemur.
Timeamus, et amemus Deum vivum.
Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero.
Amen.

Where charity and love are, God is there. Christ's love has gathered us into one. Let us rejoice and be pleased in Him. Let us fear, and let us love the living God. And may we love each other with a sincere heart. Amen.

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant Holy God, source of all love, on the night of his betrayal Jesus gave his disciples a new commandment, to love one another as he loved them. Write this commandment in our hearts; give us the will to serve others as he was the servant of all, who gave his life and died for us, yet is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Stripping of the Altar

The Final Gospel St Matthew 26.30-46

And when they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. Then Jesus said to them, "You will all fall away because of me this night; for it is written, `I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be scattered.' But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee." Peter declared to him, "Though they all fall away because of you, I will never fall away." Jesus said to him, "Truly, I say to you, this very night, before the cock crows, you will deny me three times." Peter said to him, "Even if I must die with you, I will not deny you." And so said all the disciples.

Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsem'ane, and he said to his disciples, "Sit here, while I go yonder and pray." And taking with him Peter and the two sons of Zeb'edee,

he began to be sorrowful and troubled. Then he said to them, "My soul is very sorrowful, even to death; remain here, and watch with me." And going a little farther he fell on his face and prayed, "My Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me; nevertheless, not as I will, but as thou wilt." And he came to the disciples and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter, "So, could you not watch with me one hour? Watch and pray that you may not enter into temptation; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak." Again, for the second time, he went away and prayed, "My Father, if this cannot pass unless I drink it, thy will be done." And again he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were heavy. So, leaving them again, he went away and prayed for the third time, saying the same words. Then he came to the disciples and said to them, "Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? Behold, the hour is at hand, and the Son of man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Rise, let us be going; see, my betrayer is at hand."

Psalm 22 (Pre-recorded by SPSS Choir with Cantors.)



Cantors

¹ MY GOD, my God, why have you for-sa-ken^me? / and are so far from my cry and from the words of my^distress?

² O my God, I cry in the day-time, 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.

⁴Our 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."



Cantors

⁹ Yet you are he who took me out of the womb, / and kept me safe up-on 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 trou-ble 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 potsherd; 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.





Cantors

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; hast-en 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 congrega-tion 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.



At the end of the reading, all leave in silence.