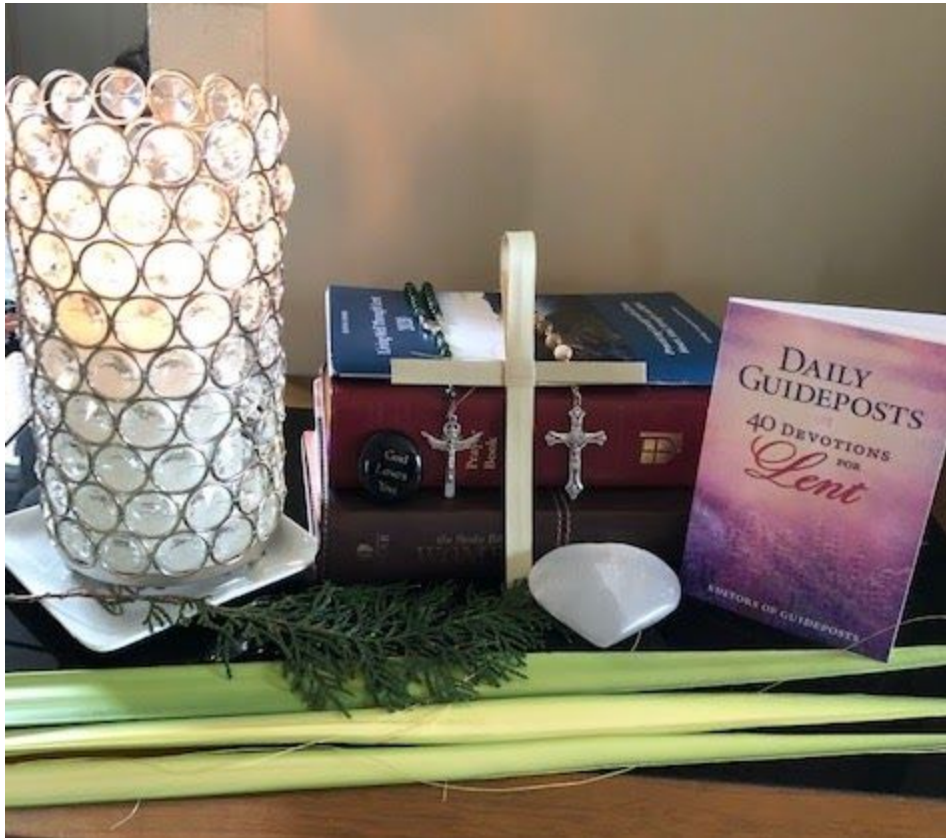


# Maundy Thursday

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Spiritually Connecting from our homes and hearts.



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# The Liturgy of the Word

Call to Prayer: Stay With Me by Jacques Berthier

Stay with me, re - main here with me, watch and  
pray, watch and pray.

## Opening Acclamation and Collect of the Day

<i>Celebrant</i>	Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins;
<i>People</i>	<b>His mercy endures forever.</b>
<i>Celebrant</i>	The Lord be with you.
<i>People</i>	<b>And also with you.</b>
<i>Celebrant</i>	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.**

**First Reading** Exodus 12:1-4, 11-14

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. 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*  
*People*

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 116: Our Blessing Cup by Tony Alonso**



**Holy Gospel John 13:1-17, 31b-35**

*Gospeller* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.  
*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

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.”

<i>Gospeller</i>	The Gospel of the Lord.
<i>People</i>	<b>Praise to you, Lord Christ.</b>

Reflection and invitation to ritual

The Rev. Jennifer Pedrick

*This gospel tells of the defining moments Jesus and his disciples shared at the last supper. Their actions and responses were used by God to show us the full measure of God’s love. All of us are living through a defining time.*

*How will you allow God to define  
you, your household, your church?*

## Music Meditation: Song of the Lord's Command by David Haas

Do you know what I have done for you, you who  
call me your teach - er and your Lord?  
If I have washed your feet, so you must  
do as I have done for you.

### Prayers of the People

*Celebrant* In the power of the Spirit let us pray to the Father through Christ the savior of the world.

*Leader* Father, on this, the night he was betrayed,  
your Son Jesus Christ washed his disciples' feet.  
We commit ourselves to follow his example of love and service.  
Lord, hear us

*People* **and humble us.**

On this night, he prayed for his disciples to be one.

We pray for the unity of your Church. Lord, hear us

**and unite us.**

On this night, he prayed for those who were to believe through his disciples' message. Help us to love our neighbors in this tender time, when so many are in need of Good News.

We pray for the mission of your Church.

Lord, hear us

**and renew our commitment.**

On this night, he commanded his disciples to love, but suffered rejection himself.

We pray for the rejected and unloved. We pray for all those who are sick, stressed and in need of our attention. We remember especially those on our prayer list: Sheila, Bonnie, Carole, Millie, The Navy Chaplain School and its instructors, Karin, residents of Waters Assisted Living Center, Judith, and Jason.

Lord, hear us

**and fill us with your love.**

On this night, we remember people of all faiths, remembering especially our Jewish neighbors the world over who are celebrating Passover.

Lord, hear us

**and give us your peace.**

On this night, he accepted the cup of death and looked forward to the new wine of the kingdom.

We remember those who have died in the peace of Christ remembering George Thurston who died Wednesday, all who have died from the Coronavirus, and all who are dying now.

Lord, hear us

**and welcome all your children into paradise.**

*Celebrant* Blessed are you, Lord our God, who sent your Son among us to bear the pain and grief of humankind. Receive the prayers we offer this day for all those in need in every place and as we near the holy mountain grant us strength on our journey; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

In the words our Savior Christ has taught us, let us pray together:

**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.**

### **Solemn Prayer over the People**

*Celebrant* Bow down before the Lord.

*All may bow as they are able.*

Almighty God, we pray you graciously to behold this your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, and given into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death upon the cross; who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### **Foot Washing Begins**

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