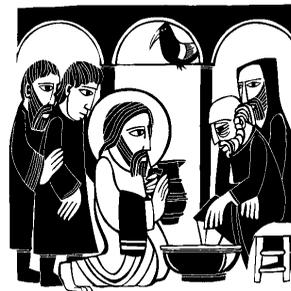


**SERVING TONIGHT**

- Vergers:** John Williamson
- EM:** Val Biggs, Peggy Isaacs, Samantha Renfro, Charles Kumbu-Smart
- Lectors:** Ralph NeSmith, Dave Swanson
- Ushers:** Olawale Fakorede, Shirley Brown
- Acolytes:** \*\*Lynne Kiker, \*Jake Chapman, Alyssa Hervis, Stephen Prichard, Blair Rector, Kimberly Kiddoo
- Greeters:** Jimmy Piechowiak, Joan Kengla, Gail Woodruff, Jim Sivert
- Communion Bread:** Eric Prichard



St. Matthew's Episcopal Church~Snellville, Georgia

**Maundy Thursday**

**April 2, 2015**

**7:00 p.m. THE HOLY EUCHARIST—RITE II**  
**With Washing of Feet and Hands; Stripping of the Altar**

**PRAYER BOOK (BCP)**

*As you prepare for worship, please remember to turn down electronic devices.*

Prelude "O Sacred Head" J. Pachelbel

Welcome and Announcements

**THE WORD OF GOD**

Processional Hymn: #316 *Canticum refectiois*  
"This is the Hour of Banquet and of Song"

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins:

**People: His mercy endures for ever.**

Trisagion Hymnal, #S-99

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,  
 Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.  
 Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,  
 Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.  
 Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,  
 Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

Following tonight's liturgy  
**Vigil at the Altar of Repose**

Good Friday—April 3  
**The Liturgy for Good Friday**

12:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

**Way of the Cross**  
11:30 a.m.

Saturday—April 4  
**The Great Vigil and the First Eucharist of Easter**  
8:00 p.m.

We invite all who participate in this service to bring bells of any size, from the size of sleigh bells to dinner bells, so that you may celebrate the resurrection of our Lord with the ringing of bells.

Easter Day—April 5  
**Festive Holy Eucharist**

**T**his day receives its name from the *mandatum* or the "new commandment" given by our Lord. At the Last Supper, Jesus washed his disciples' feet and commanded them to love and serve one another as he had done. We at once remember the joy of the institution of the Eucharist, the love and service which Jesus lived and taught, the agony in the garden of Gethsemane, and the betrayal leading to the crucifixion. The bread and wine of the Last Supper are given new meaning by the Body broken and Blood poured out on the cross. Sufficient bread and wine may be consecrated on this day for the Sacrament to be taken to an altar of repose where the faithful are asked to "watch and pray." The altar, symbolic of Christ, is stripped of its vesture and the building is left bare for the solemnity of Good Friday.

*Adapted from The Anglican Service Book*

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.**

## Old Testament: Exodus 12:1-14

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. 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."

## 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.

Words: Att. Thomas Aquinas (1225?-1274); ver. *Hymnal 1940*, rev. Copyright © 1940, Church Publishing  
Music: *Pange lingua*, plainsong, Mode 3, Worcester MS, 13th cent.

*When the procession has returned to the sanctuary, then begins*

The Stripping of the Altar

*Recited by choir and congregation*

Psalm 22

BCP, pg. 610

- 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.

#301 "Bread of the World in Mercy Broken" *Rendez a Dieu*  
 #321 "My God, Thy Table Now is Spread" *Rockingham*

The Postcommunion Prayer BCP, pg. 366

*The People remain kneeling.*

*Following the Communion, if the Blessed Sacrament is to be reserved, it should taken to a separate chapel or other place apart from the main sanctuary of the church, in order that on Good Friday the attention of the congregation may be on the bare main Altar. It is at this separate Altar of Repose that the faithful are asked to "watch and pray" during a Vigil which lasts until Good Friday.*

*The People may join the procession as it moves to the Altar of Repose, or may remain kneeling in in the nave until the procession returns.*

At The Procession

Hymn #329 "Now, my tongue the Mystery Telling" *Pange lingua*

- 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 Epistle: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

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.

The Sequence

*"The Servant Song"*



- 1., 6. Will you let me be your ser- vant, Let me be as Christ to you;  
 2. We are pil- grims on a jour- ney, We are trav- lers on the road;  
 3. I will hold the Christ- light for you In the night- time of your fear;  
 4. I will weep when you are weep- ing; When you laugh I'll laugh with you.  
 5. When we sing to God in heav- en We shall find such har- mo- ny,



Pray that I may have the grace to Let you be my ser - vant, too.  
 We are here to help each oth - er Walk the mile and bear the load.  
 I will hold my hand out to you, Speak the peace you long to hear.  
 I will share your joy and sor - row 'Til we've seen this jour - ney through.  
 Born of all we've known to - geth - er Of Christ's love and ag - o - ny.

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

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.' When he had gone out, 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 Homily

The Reverend Elizabeth Hendrick

*Communion, extend your hands, palms crossed and upward. You may consume the bread or wait, retaining it to dip it in the wine. To drink wine from the chalice, please assist in guiding the cup to your lips by holding the base of the cup. Those desiring prayers for*



1 Now, my tongue, the mys - tery tell - ing of the glo - rious  
 2 Given for us, and con - de - scend - ing to be born for  
 3 That last night at sup - per ly - ing mid the twelve, his  
 4 Word made flesh, the bread he tak - eth, by his word his  
 \*5 There - fore we, be - fore him bend - ing, this great Sac - ra -  
 \*6 Glo - ry let us give and bless - ing to the Fa - ther



1 Bo - dy sing, and the Blood, all price ex - cell - ing,  
 2 us be - low, he with us in con - verse blend - ing  
 3 cho - sen band, Je - sus, with the Law com - ply - ing,  
 4 Flesh to be; wine his sa - cred Blood he mak - eth,  
 5 ment re - vere; types and sha - dows have their end - ing,  
 6 and the Son, hon - or, thanks, and praise ad - dress - ing,



1 which the Gen - tiles' Lord and King, once on earth a -  
 2 dwelt, the seed of truth to sow, till he closed with  
 3 keeps the feast its rites de - mand; then, more pre - cious  
 4 though the sens - es fail to see; faith a - lone the  
 5 for the new - er rite is here; faith, our out - ward  
 6 while e - ter - nal a - ges run; ev - er too his



1 mong us dwell - ing, shed for this world's ran - som - ing.  
 2 won - drous end - ing his most pa - tient life of woe.  
 3 food sup - ply - ing, gives him - self with his own hand.  
 4 true heart wak - eth to be - hold the mys - ter - y.  
 5 sense be - friend - ing, makes our in - ward vi - sion clear.  
 6 love con - fess - ing who from both with both is One.

*healing should hold up their hands as the Priest approaches. If you wish simply to receive a blessing, you may cross your arms across your chest.*

Communion Hymns:

#315

"Thou Who at Thy First Eucharist Did Pray"

Song 1

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  
The world, grant us thy peace.

Lord's Prayer (*spoken*)

BCP, pg. 364

The Pascha Nostrum

Agnus Dei

Hymnal, #S-158

The Communion of the People

*All are welcome at the Lord's Table. If you would like to receive the sacrament of Holy*

## The Bidding to the Foot and Hand Washing

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. We all need to remember His example, but none stand more in need of this reminder than those whom the Lord has called to the ordained ministry. Therefore, I invite you who share in the royal priesthood of Christ, to come forward, that each of us may recall whose servants we are by following the example of our Master. 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.

*Those wishing to participate in the ceremony of the washing of feet and hands may now come forward*

*Reader:* The Lord Jesus, after He had supped with His disciples and had washed their feet, said to them, "Do you know what I, your Lord and Master, have done to you? I have given you an example, that you should do as I have done."

*People:* **Peace is my last gift to you, my own peace I now leave with you; peace which the world cannot give, I give to you.**

*Reader:* I give you a new commandment: Love one another as I have loved you.

*People:* **Peace is my last gift to you, my own peace I now leave with you; peace which the world cannot give, I give to you.**

*Reader:* By this shall the world know that you are my disciples: That you have love one for another.

Sanctuary Choir

"The Basin and the Towel"

*M. Card*

"New Commandment"

*M. Archer*

Hymn #602 "Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us With Your Love"

*Chereponi*

## The Intercessions for the Sacred Triduum

*Celebrant*

As we begin these sacred three days and prepare through fasting and prayer to celebrate the paschal feast, let us earnestly pray to God for all those eating tonight with Christ and for all people everywhere.

*The People kneel or stand. The Intercessor leads the petitions,*

For the holy catholic church throughout the world, sharing the death and resurrection of Christ: let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For Robert, our bishop, Keith and Don, our assistant bishops, for our parish clergy, for all who minister in Christ, and for all the holy people of God: let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For all nations, peoples, tribes, clans, and families: let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For justice, mercy, and peace in all the world, and for those in our armed forces at home and abroad: let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who are tempted, oppressed, afflicted, or in need: let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the dying and **the** dead, ☩ and for those who mourn: let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For our families, friends, and companions, and for all those we love: let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For those who are preparing for baptism at the Great Vigil of Easter, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, who gives us food and drink as the body and blood of Christ. Receive the prayers we offer this night for all those in need in every place and grant that all who come to your table may love and serve you and one another; we ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

The Peace

*All stand.*

*Celebrant:* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*As a sign of the reconciliation that is theirs in Christ, the Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory:

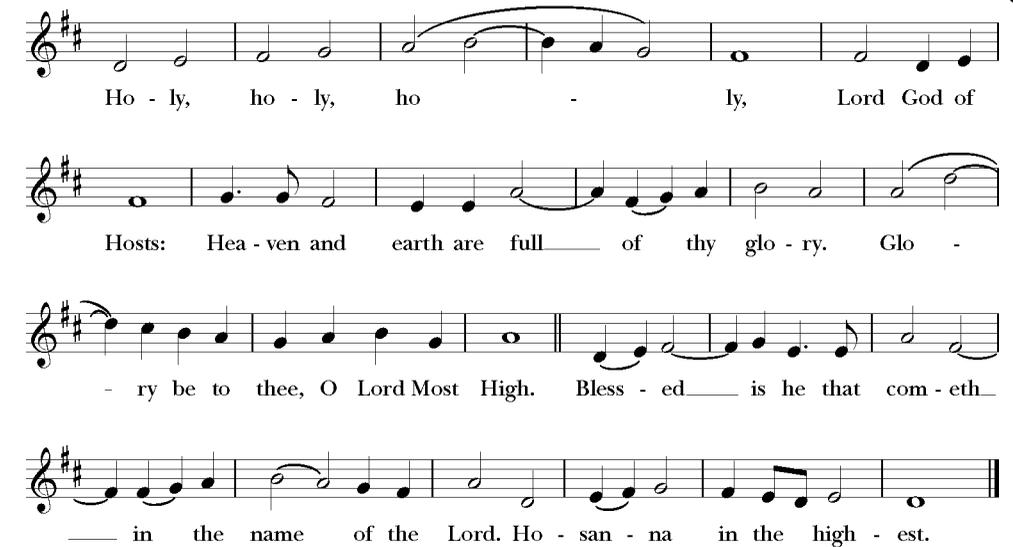
“Wash Me Thoroughly”

S. Wesley

Sanctuary Choir

The

Great



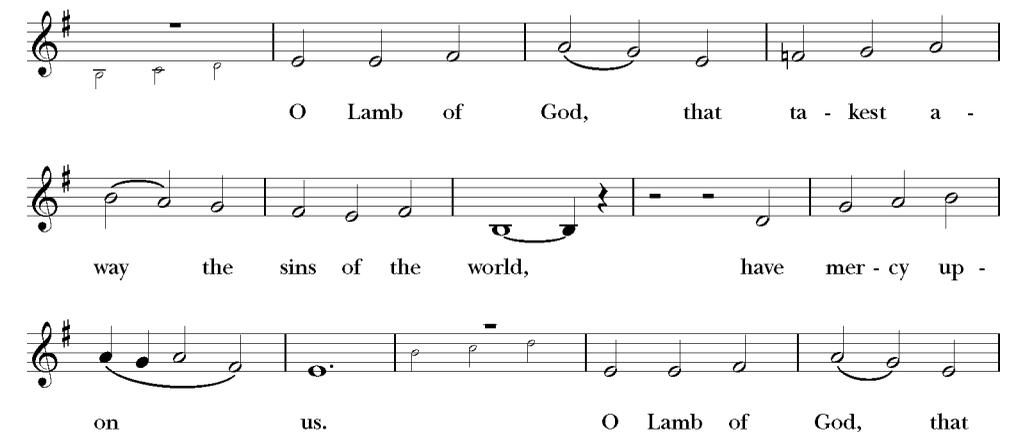
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of  
Hosts: Hea - ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo -  
ry be to thee, O Lord Most High. Bless - ed is he that com - eth  
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Thanksgiving—Prayer A

BCP, pg. 361

Sanctus

Hymnal, # S-114



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