



LITURGY FOR MAUNDY THURSDAY

28th March, 2024

**ST ANDREW'S ANGLICAN CHURCH
WALKERVILLE SA**

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GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Please sit at the front of the Church, in the chancel or in the transepts. As the minister enters, please stand to sing

- 1. An upper room did our Lord prepare
for those he loved until the end:
and his disciples still gather there
to celebrate their Risen Friend.**
- 2. A lasting gift Jesus gave his own:
to share his bread, his loving cup.
Whatever burdens may bow us down,
he by his Cross shall lift us up.**
- 3. And after Supper he washed their feet,
for service, too, is sacrament.
In him our joy shall be made complete –
sent out to serve, as he was sent.**
- 4. No end there is! We depart in peace.
He loves beyond our uttermost:
in every room in our Father's house
he will be there, as Lord and Host.**

Frederick Pratt Green (1903 2000)

The Greeting

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sin
whose mercy endures forever.

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

The Priest then addresses the people in these words.

Tonight we begin the Great Three Days of our Lord's passion, death and resurrection, the journey from the supper table to the cross, from the cross to Easter dawn. We are followers in his way, exploring his truth, encountering his life.

This is the night when Christ the Lamb of God gave himself into the hands of those who would betray him; when Christ was stripped of friends and freedom, and so on this night we strip the sanctuary of its beauty and dignity.

This is the night when Christ gathered with his disciples in the upper room, when Christ our Lord gave us this holy feast, that as we break the bread and drink the cup we may here proclaim his holy sacrifice, and come at the last to his table in heaven.

This is the night when Christ took a towel and washed the disciples' feet, showing us how to honour and serve one another in love.

This is the night for watching and prayer.

We give ourselves freely to the demands of these great days, confident that those who die in Christ will surely live with him.

Sentence of the Day

"I give you a new commandment," says the Lord, "that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another."
John 13:34

Confession

God shows great love for us in that while we were still sinners
Christ died for us.

Please sit or kneel.

Kyrie

Lord have mercy, **Lord have mercy,**
Christ have mercy, **Christ have mercy,**
Lord have mercy, **Lord have mercy.**

Let us then confess our sin in penitence and faith.

**Merciful God,
our maker and our judge,
we have sinned against you in thought,
word, and deed,
and in what we have failed to do:
we have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves,
we repent, and are sorry for all our sins.
Father, forgive us.
Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Absolution

Almighty God,
who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith,
pardon you and set you free from all your sins,
strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The Collect of the Day

Let us pray.

Silence may be kept.

Loving God

your Son Jesus Christ has left us this meal of bread and wine in which we share his body and 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 MINISTRY OF THE WORD

(please sit) First Reading: Exodus 12:1-4,11-14

After the reading

Hear the word of the Lord,

thanks be to God.

Psalm 116:1-2,11-18

¹I love the Lord, because he heard my voice :

the voice of my supplication;

²Because he inclined his ear to me :

in the day that I called to him.

¹¹How shall I repay the Lord :

for all his benefits to me?

¹²I will take up the cup of salvation :

and call upon the name of the Lord.

¹³I will pay my vows to the Lord :

in the presence of all his people.

¹⁴Grievous in the sight of the Lord :

is the death of his faithful ones.

¹⁵O Lord, I am your servant,
your servant and the son of your handmaid :
you have unloosed my bonds.

¹⁶**I will offer you a sacrifice of thanksgiving :
and call upon the name of the Lord.**

¹⁷I will pay my vows to the Lord :
in the presence of all his people,

¹⁸**In the courts of the house of the Lord :
even in your midst, O Jerusalem.**

Praise the Lord.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

After the reading

Hear the word of the Lord,
thanks be to God.

Hymn (please stand)

- 1. Christ bids us break the bread
and share the cup he gave,
in token of the blood he shed
for those he died to save.**

- 2. It was for us he came,
to bear, by human birth,
a crown of thorn, a cross of shame,
for every child on earth.**

- 3. The Saviour crucified
in glory rose again:
we here remember him who died,
ascended now to reign.**

**4. Our hearts his word obey,
in thankfulness and love:
we feed on Christ by faith today
and feast with him above.**

**5. O Christ, once lifted up
that we might be forgiven,
we take the bread and drink the cup
and share the life of heaven.**

Timothy Dudley-Smith (b. 1926)

Gospel Reading: John 13:1-17,31b-35

The Lord be with you

And also with you

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. John,
chapter thirteen, beginning at the first verse.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

After the Gospel the reader says...

For the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Sermon – Celebrant

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

(Please sit or kneel)

Merciful God, on this, the night he was betrayed,
your Son Jesus Christ washed his disciples' feet.
As we commit ourselves to following his example of love and
service, teach us humility.

God of grace,
hear our prayer.

On this night, Jesus prayed for his disciples to be one.
As we grieve for the divisions in the church, unite us.

God of grace,
hear our prayer.

On this night, Jesus prayed for those who would come to
believe through the disciples' message.
As we take up the mission of the church, renew our zeal.

God of grace,
hear our prayer.

On this night, Jesus commanded his friends to love, but he
suffered rejection himself. As we open our hearts to the rejected
and the unloved, fill us with your love.

God of grace,
hear our prayer.

On this night, Jesus reminded his people that, if the world
hated them, it had hated him first.
As we face our own fears, we pray for those who are persecuted
for their faith; give us your peace.

God of grace,
hear our prayer.

On this night, Jesus loved his friends to the very end.
As we open our hearts to all who face darkness tonight,
we pray for the sick, those who mourn, those trapped by
violence, addiction, or pain: give healing and hope.

God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Faithful God, these are the prayers of your Church.
We offer them trusting and hoping in you.
Hear and help us, challenge and change us,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE GREETING OF PEACE

Please stand

We are the body of Christ.

His Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Hymn

1. **'Prepare a room for me,
your Saviour, Host and Priest,
where I may gather you, my friends,
to celebrate the feast.'**
2. **'This room we have prepared;
the Table now is set.
We wait your promised presence, Lord,
where we once more are met.'**

3. 'Where even two or three
have come the Meal to share,
unseen, but living, loving still,
I surely will be there!'
4. 'Lord Christ, we seek the food
your grace alone can give.
We come with empty, hungry hearts
that we may eat and live.'
5. 'My promise I will keep;
your hunger will be fed,
for in this meal I offer you
myself, the living Bread!'
6. 'All thanks and praise to you,
our Saviour, Lord and Friend,
that through this Loaf and Cup you share
your love that has no end!'

Herman G. Stuempfle, Jr (1923-2007)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you
And also with you

Lift up your hearts
We lift them up to the Lord

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God
It is right to give our thanks and praise

All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere,
mighty Creator, everliving God.

We give you thanks and praise for your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ,
who became obedient unto death, even death on a cross.

He offered the one true sacrifice for sin,
and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people.
When his hour had come, in his great love
he gave this supper to his disciples,
that we might proclaim his death,
and feast with him in his kingdom.
Therefore with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we proclaim your great and glorious name,
for ever praising you and saying:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven 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.**

Merciful God, we thank you
for these gifts of your creation,
this bread and wine,
and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit,
we who eat and drink them
may be partakers of Christ's body and blood.

On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread;
and when he had given you thanks
he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying,
'Take, eat. This is my body given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper, he took the cup,
and again giving you thanks
he gave it to his disciples, saying,
'Drink from this, all of you.
This is my blood of the new covenant
shed for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded:
proclaiming his offering of himself
made once for all upon the cross,
his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming again,
we celebrate, with this bread and this cup,
his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice
for the sins of the whole world.

**When we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus,
until you come in glory.**

Renew us by your Holy Spirit,
unite us in the body of your Son,
and bring us with all your people
into the joy of your eternal kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
with whom, and in whom,
in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
we worship you, Father,
in songs of never-ending praise:
**Blessing and honour, glory and power,
are yours for ever and ever, Amen.**

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray.

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE COMMUNION

The Priest divides the loaf and says,

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
We who are many are one body,
for we all share in the one bread.

The Agnus Dei is said:

**Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us your peace.**

Come let us take this holy sacrament of the body and blood of Christ in remembrance that he died for us, and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

After Communion is finished, the following hymn is sung, as the Minister completes the ablutions at the altar and the congregation return to their seats.

Hymn

- 1. Now let us from this table rise,
renewed in body, mind and soul;
With Christ we die and live again,
his selfless love has made us whole.**
- 2. With minds alert, upheld by grace,
to spread the word in speech and deed,
We follow in the steps of Christ,
at one with all in hope and need.**
- 3. To fill each human house with love,
it is the sacrament of care;
The work that Christ began to do
we humbly pledge ourselves to share.**
- 4. Then grant us grace, Companion God,
to choose again the pilgrim way,
and help us to accept with joy
the challenge of tomorrow's day.**

Fred Kaan (1929-2009)

AFTER COMMUNION

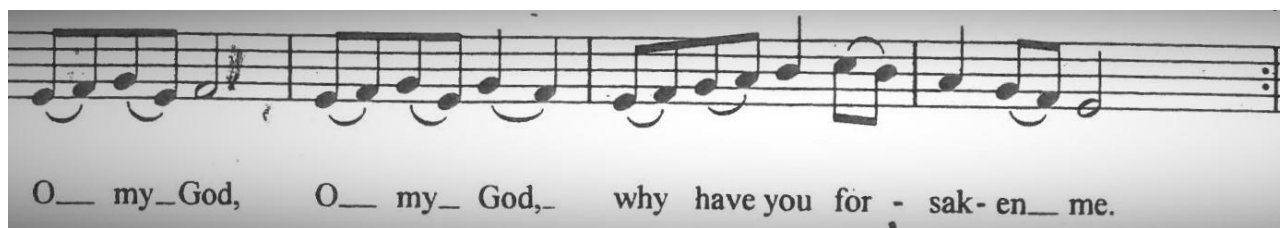
The Priest says

Holy God, source of all love,
on the night of betrayal
Jesus commanded his disciples
to love one another as he loved them.
We thank you for feeding us in this supper.
Give us the will to serve others
as he was servant of all.

The lights are dimmed and the sanctuary candles extinguished. The linen, ornaments and hangings are now removed. The aumbry is emptied and left open, and the aumbry light is extinguished. The candles are removed from the chapel altar. Please come forward and take articles through to the Sacristy and return to the Church via the glass transept door.

Psalm 22 is sung. Please join in singing the Antiphon:

**O my God, O my God,
Why have you forsaken me.
O my God, O my God,
Why have you forsaken me.**



O__ my_God, O__ my_ God,- why have you for - sak- en__ me.

Hymn:

- 1. O dearest Lord, thy sacred head
with thorns was pierced for me;
O pour thy blessing on my head,
that I may think for thee.**

- 2. O dearest Lord, thy sacred hands
with nails were pierced for me;
O shed thy blessing on my hands,
that they may work for thee.**

- 3. O dearest Lord, thy sacred feet
with nails were pierced for me;
O pour thy blessing on my feet,
that they may follow thee.**

- 4. O dearest Lord, thy sacred heart
with spear was pierced for me;
O pour thy Spirit in my heart,
that I may live for thee.**

Father Andrew (H. E. Hardy) (1869-1946)

**Stay with me,
Remain here with me,
watch and pray,
watch and pray.**

Jacques Berthier (1923-94)

*Minister and people depart in silence without a blessing or dismissal.
The worship continues here tomorrow on Good Friday at 9.30am.*

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