# The Church of the Redeemer



# **MAUNDY THURSDAY**

MARCH 24, 2024 HOLY EUCHARIST AT 6:00PM

A Parish in The Episcopal Diocese of Upper South Carolina The Right Rev. Daniel P. Richards, Bishop The Very Rev. Catherine Tatem, Rector

Drawing near to God to make and equip disciples to live as faithful followers of Christ.

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#### Prelude

#### THE WORD OF GOD

Please stand (as you are able)

**Processional Hymn 158** 

"Ah, Holy Jesus"

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People: His mercy endures for ever.

Kyrie Hymn S-96

Collect of the Day (see insert)

Please be seated.

The Lessons

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

The Psalm Psalm 116:1, 10-17

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Please stand.

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

Please be seated.

**Sermon** The Rev. Catherine Tatem

Celebrant: 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.

Celebrant: 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.

Celebrant: By this shall the world know that you are my disciples: That you

have love for one another.

#### **Foot Washing**

#### Prayers of the People Form IV

It is appropriate to kneel for the prayers of the people during Holy Week.

Lector: Lord in your mercy, *People: Hear our prayer.* 

Please stand.

The Peace

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

People: And also with you.

**HOLY COMMUNION** 

Celebrant: Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his Name; bring offerings

and come into his courts.

Offertory

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B BCP 367

Sanctus Hymn S-125

The Lord's Prayer BCP 364

The Breaking of the Bread

**Communion Hymn 474** "When I survey the wondrous cross"

Postcommunion Prayer BCP 365

**Hymn 329**, verses 1-4 "Now, my tongue, the mystery telling"

During the hymn, the reserved sacrament is taken to the altar of repose.

Stripping of the Altar

You may stay for silent prayer, then depart in silence

### What Does Maundy Thursday Mean?

Sundown on Maundy Thursday through sundown on Easter is called the "Triduum," a Latin word for a period of three days. The Triduum includes the services of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday and the Great Vigil, and Easter Day. The liturgies of these three days are tied together; there is no dismissal from Maundy Thursday through the Great Vigil. The three days is a single time of worship.

Maundy Thursday is about the love of Christ for us. The day is named for the "novum mandatum," the new commandment (mandate) of Jesus: "love one another as I have loved you." This is the night when our Lord gives us the Holy Eucharist. A typical meal is changed forever when Jesus says "take, eat; do this in remembrance of me." It is only in light of the Resurrection that Jesus' words make sense. Foot washing is about Jesus' servant ministry and our servant ministry in the world. We kneel in humility and love and wash one another's feet as we remember, not reenact, Jesus' ministry, and for those who participate, it is a powerful experience of love.

On Maundy Thursday we consecrate (bless, make holy) sufficient bread and wine for Holy Communion on Good Friday. We do not consecrate bread or wine on the day of Jesus' crucifixion. After we receive communion tonight, we take the reserved Sacraments to our "altar of repose" in a set apart place in the church. This altar symbolizes the time that Jesus prayed in the Garden of Gethsemane the night before his death. We strip the altar bare just as Jesus was stripped of his clothes and tortured. We leave the church in silence this night. You may stay and pray in the church for as long as you choose. Our worship from now until Easter is a single service: you may notice that we have no dismissal from tonight until the conclusion of our Easter Day worship!

Good Friday and its liturgy is a solemn commemoration of, and participation in, our salvation through the victory of Christ's death on the cross. His death destroyed death forever.

Holy Saturday is an empty day, the day when Christ lies in the tomb and we await his resurrection.

The Great Vigil of Easter is the traditional first celebration of Easter, held after sundown on Holy Saturday. This ancient service leads us from death to life with Christ with fire, light, word, water, bread and wine. We light a new fire – the new light of Christ in the world.

On Easter Day we continue the Easter Vigil's celebration of Christ's glorious resurrection. We proclaim: Christ is risen! Alleluia!

## **Good Friday and Easter Services**

Good Friday—March 29th at 12:00 PM and 6:00 PM Easter Sunday—March 31st at 9:30 AM and 11:30 AM