

*Saint Christopher Episcopal Church
Fairborn, Ohio
The Episcopal Diocese of Southern Ohio*



MAUNDY
Thursday

**The Celebration of Holy Communion (Rite II)
with Hand and Foot Washing**

**Seven O'clock in the Evening
April 13, 2017**

Enter to Know Christ – Leave to Make Him Known

~ *Hail Guest! We ask not what thou art; If Friend, we greet thee, hand and heart;
If Stranger, such no longer be; If Foe, our love shall conquer thee!* ~

The Liturgy of the Word

All as are able standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins;

People His mercy endures forever.

The Collect for Purity *The Celebrant says*

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your Holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Trisagion S-102 (Repeat for a total of 3 times)

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

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant 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.**

The First Reading Exodus 12:1-14

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm 116: 1, 10-17 *Dilexi, quoniam*

- 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.
- 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 Second Reading **1 Corinthians 11:23-26**

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

All as able standing

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

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

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Homily

The Rev. Michael A. Kreutzer

The Hand and Foot Washing *The Celebrant says*

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 I may recall whose servant I am by following the example of my Master. But 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.”

This year we will offer two options for washing. There will be two separate stations for washing of either feet or hands. Please line up accordingly. This allows both traditional washing as well as a more contemporary approach. We hope all will find this a blessing.

With the anointing of the hands the celebrant prays:

“May your hands be blessed to the service of God and all Creation.”

The Prayers of the People

All as are able standing

We gather as the household of God, apostles, prophets, martyrs, servants,
to pray for the church and all humankind, saying: Come, Lord Jesus.

For refugees, for the homeless, and for all who have nowhere to lay their head,
we pray: **Come, Lord Jesus.**

For those unable to eat at the Lord’s Table or at any other table,
we pray: **Come, Lord Jesus.**

For the body of Christ fractured in a world of violence and war,
we pray: **Come, Lord Jesus.**

For those who betray, and for those whom they betray,
we pray: **Come, Lord Jesus.**

For all in any need and others we care to name at this time,
we pray: **Come, Lord Jesus.**

For ourselves, who gather to celebrate the Lord’s Passover
in the bread we eat and the cup we drink,
we pray: **Come, Lord Jesus.**

(Here other intercessions may be offered.)

(In Unison)

**Almighty God, we recall the wonders you worked for our ancestors,
and we marvel at the love shown us by your Son.**

Hear us as we pray in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Confession of Sin

All as are able - kneeling

The Celebrant says

Jesus said, “The first commandment is this:

Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart,
with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.

The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself.

There is no other commandment greater than these.” *Mark 12: 29-31*

The Celebrant then says

Let us confess our sins against God, our neighbors and ourselves.

Celebrant and People

Most merciful God, 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 neighbors 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 Celebrant stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

All as are able - standing.

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Holy Communion



The Celebrant says

Let the same mind that was in Christ be in you.
And, at the name of Jesus, let every knee bow
and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.

The Music at the Offertory

“And No Bird Sang” by Wagner

The Doxology

Celebrant All things come of you, O God,

People **And of your own do we return to you.**

The Great Thanksgiving

All as are able - remain standing.

The Sursum Corda

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

The Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

For our sins he was lifted high upon the cross, that he might draw the whole world to himself; and, by his suffering and death, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who put their trust in him.

Therefore we praise you. And we join with the heavenly chorus of angels and all the great company of saints as we honor your name:

The Sanctus

(in unison)

**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.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

All as are able - stand or kneel

The Celebrant continues

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 Savior. 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 fulfill 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 fulfillment 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 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 this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his 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.

Celebrant and People

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

The Celebrant continues

Lord, 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 cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

The Lord's Prayer

The Celebrant then continues

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray, *(in unison)*

**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

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us:
People **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

A period of reflective silence is kept.

The Fraction Anthem:

Celebrant We break this bread
People **Communion in Christ's body once broken**
Celebrant Let your Church be the wheat which bears its fruit in dying.
People **If we have died with him, we shall live with him;
if we hold firm, we shall reign with him.**

The Administration of Communion

The Celebrant says

Come to this table.
You that have much faith, and you that would like to have more;
You that have been here often, and you that have not been for a long time;
You that follow Jesus and you that failed.
COME! It is Christ who invites us to meet Him here.

~ All are welcome to the Lord's Table: open to all who come, so all may be fed. ~

The Communion Hymns # 170 "To Mock Your Reign, O Dearest Lord"
167 "There Is a Green Hill Far Away"
"Were You There" LEV #37

“Were You There?” Lift Every Voice and Sing #37

1. Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? _____ Were you
 2. Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree? _____ Were you
 3. Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb? _____ Were you
 4. Were you there when He rose up from the grave? _____ Were you

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 2. there when they nailed Him to the tree?
 3. there when they laid Him in the tomb?
 4. there when He rose up from the grave?
 O! _____

Some-times it caus-es me to trem-ble, trem-ble, trem-ble. _____

1. Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? _____
 2. Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree? _____
 3. Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb? _____
 4. Were you there when He rose up from the grave? _____

The Post Communion Prayer

All as are able – kneeling.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray

(in unison)

Almighty and everlasting God, we thank you for feeding us with spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

- 18 Be not far away, O Lord; *
you are my strength; hasten 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 congregation 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.
- 24 My praise is of him in the great assembly; *
I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.
- 25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied, and those who seek the Lord
shall praise him: *
"May your heart live for ever!"
- 26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord, *
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.
- 27 For kingship belongs to the Lord; *
he rules over the nations.
- 28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; *
all who go down to the dust fall before him.
- 29 My soul shall live for him; my descendants shall serve him; *
they shall be known as the Lord's for ever.
- 30 They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn *
the saving deeds that he has done.

Antiphon: They divide my garments among them; they cast lots for my clothing.

~ The Congregation leaves in silence. ~



*As Jesus did for us...
let us do so for others.*

~ MISSION STATEMENT ~

**“Living the Great Commandment by Ministering to
Our Neighbors in Body, Mind and Spirit.”**

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