

**The Episcopal/Anglican Church of the Blessed Redeemer
Mission Church in the Diocese of Central Florida**

Maundy Thursday

April 9, 2020 ~ 6:00 P.M.

A Liturgy of Word, Hand-Washing & Prayers



1225 DeGroot Road SW, Palm Bay, Florida 32908

“Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise: give thanks to Him and praise His name.” (Psalm 100:4)

Blessed Redeemer’s Mission:

Our mission is to nurture, love, teach, and grow a loving community in Jesus Christ and to make Him known to others.

Blessed Redeemer’s Vision:

Our vision is to inspire belief and renew faith for those seeking God.

MAUNDY THURSDAY WORSHIP Rite I on April 9, 2020 at 6:00 P.M.

H = Hymnal 1982; BCP = Book of Common Prayer

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Hymn ~ H 329 ~ Now, My Tongue, the Mystery Telling

- 1 Now, my tongue, the mystery telling of the glorious Body sing,
and the blood, all price excelling, which the Gentiles' Lord and King,
once on earth among us dwelling, shed for this world's ransoming.
- 2 Given for us, and condescending to be born for us below,
he with us in converse blending dwelt, the seed of truth to sow,
till he closed with wondrous ending his most patient life of woe.
- 3 That last night, at supper lying mid the Twelve, his chosen band,
Jesus, with the Law complying keeps the feast its rites demand;
then, more precious food supplying, gives himself with his own hand.
- 4 Word made flesh, the bread he taketh, by his word his Flesh to be;
wine his sacred blood he maketh, though the senses fail to see;
faith alone the true heart waketh to behold the mystery.
- 5 Therefore we, before him bending, this great Sacrament revere;
types and shadows have their ending, for the newer rite is here;
faith, our outward sense befriending, makes our inward vision clear.
- 6 Glory let us give and blessing to the Father and the Son,
honor, thanks, and praise addressing, while eternal ages run;
ever too his love confessing, who from both with both is One.

Opening Acclamation (BCP 323)

Priest Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.
People **His mercy endureth for ever.**

The Collect for Purity (BCP 323)

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

Trisagion (BCP 324)

Priest Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One,
People **Have mercy upon us.**

The Collect for Maundy Thursday (BCP 169)

Priest The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Priest Let us pray. Almighty Father, whose dear Son, on the night before he suffered, did institute the Sacrament of his Body and Blood: Mercifully grant that we may thankfully receive the same in remembrance of him who in these holy mysteries giveth us a pledge of life eternal, the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who now liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit ever, one God, world without end.
Amen.

THE LESSONS

The First Lesson ~ Exodus 12:1-14

Reader A Reading from the Book of Exodus.

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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

The Psalm ~ Psalm 116:1, 10-17 (BCP 759)

The Psalm is read responsively by whole verse, the congregation reading the even (bold) verses.

- 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.

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.

“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.”

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord. People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

The Sermon ~ The Rev. Brian Turner

HAND-WASHING

Hand-Washing Address

Priest 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.

Therefore, I invite us who share in the royal priesthood of Christ, to now go to a sink or a bowl to wash our own hands or one another’s hands, that we may recall whose servant we are by following the example of our Master.

As we do so, we begin by washing, as we were washed in our baptism. We cleanse our hands as we were cleansed in the waters of new birth. We do this not because we are afraid, but because we were commanded to love; and to cleanse our hands and gather in spirit is how we love the vulnerable, whom Jesus loved. May we be instruments of his love. And may the sacrifices we make be for the good of our human family near and far.

All are invited at this time to wash their hands with soap and water, or to have their hands washed by another. Those gathered together are also invited to wash one another’s feet if they so desire.

Hymn ~ H 602 ~ Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love

Refrain Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love,
 show us how to serve
 the neighbors we have from you.

- 1 Kneels at the feet of his friends,
silently washes their feet,
Master who acts as a slave to them. (Refrain)
- 2 Neighbors are rich and poor,
neighbors are black and white,
neighbors are nearby and far away. (Refrain)
- 3 These are the ones we should serve,
these are the ones we should love.
All are neighbors to us and you. (Refrain)
- 4 Loving puts us on our knees,
serving as though we were slaves;
this is the way we should live with you. (Refrain)

Anthems (BCP 274)

Leader 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.**

Leader 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.**

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

THE PRAYERS

The Prayers of the People (BCP 328)

Leader Let us pray for the whole state of Christ’s Church and the world. After each petition, I invite the congregation to respond by saying, “Hear us, good Lord.”

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

People **Hear us, good Lord.**

Leader Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers, especially Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Greg, our Diocesan Bishop; Lloyd, Bishop of our companion Diocese of Honduras; Brian and Amy, our priests; and Brenda, our deacon; that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

People **Hear us, good Lord.**

Leader And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to the congregations and clergy of Joy Lutheran Church; Church of Our Savior; the other Christian churches in Palm Bay; and this congregation of Church of the Blessed Redeemer here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

People **Hear us, good Lord.**

Leader We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, especially Donald our President, Ron our Governor, William our Mayor, Congress, and the Courts; that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

People **Hear us, good Lord.**

Leader Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, especially the students, teachers, staff, and parents of Westside Elementary School, and the children in Brevard County who are being served by The Children's Hunger Project, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, we all may honor thee with our substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

People **Hear us, good Lord.**

Leader And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity; especially the immigrant families and children separated or mistreated at our country's borders; those continuing to recover from natural disasters, dealing with political unrest, or suffering from the coronavirus around the world; those on our parish prayer list, who we pray aloud for by first name: Hildred, Ella, Jean, Makhari, Melissa, Oscar, Christopher, Esmerell, Rocco, Edly, Jennifer, Robert, Melissa & Valtonio, Erdley, Norma, Irma, Rev. John, Milton, Dorothy, Kaiwan, Winsam, Norma, Judd, Joseph & Yvonne, Evelyn & Vincent, Beverly, Tatlyn, Clarence, Phyllis, Joanna, Raeburn & Yvonne, Rev. Ron & Leila, Nelly, Doreen & Lauren, Beverly, Vanessa, Desiree, Lloyd, Norma, Pearlina, Joyce, Albert, Theresa, Barbara, Pansy, Kaye, Hampden, Neville, Keanna, Stephanie, Michael, Doris, Tiffany, Annette, Ruddy, Howard, Charmaine; and those we name now. (*Your own petitions are invited either aloud or silently in your heart.*)

Leader In your mercy,
People **Hear us, good Lord.**

Leader And now let us offer a special set of prayers during this time of pandemic.

Lord Jesus Christ, you traveled through towns and villages curing every disease and illness. At your command, the sick were made well. Come to our aid now, in the midst of the global spread of the coronavirus, that we may experience your healing love.

Heal those who are sick with the virus. May they regain their strength and health through quality medical care.

Heal us from our fear, which prevents nations from working together and neighbors from helping one another.

Heal us from our pride, which can make us claim invulnerability to a disease that knows no borders.

Lord Jesus Christ, healer of all, stay by our side in this time of uncertainty and sorrow.

Be with those who have died from the virus. May they be at rest with you in your eternal peace.

Be with the families of those who are sick or have died. As they worry and grieve, defend them from illness and despair. May they know your peace.

Be with the doctors, nurses, researchers and all medical professionals who seek to heal and help those affected and who put themselves at risk in the process. May they know your protection and peace.

Be with the leaders of all nations. Give them the foresight to act with charity and true concern for the well-being of the people they are meant to serve. Give them the wisdom to invest in long-term solutions that will help prepare for or prevent future outbreaks. May they know your peace, as they work together to achieve it on earth.

Whether we are home or abroad, surrounded by many people suffering from this illness or only a few, Lord Jesus Christ, stay with us as we endure and mourn, persist and prepare. In place of our anxiety, give us your peace.

Leader
People In your mercy,
Hear us, good Lord.

Leader We also give thee thanks, O Lord, and praise thy holy Name for all the blessings of this life and for the prayers which thou hast answered, especially those which we name now. *(Your thanksgivings and praise reports are invited either aloud or silently in your heart.)*

Leader
People In your goodness,
Hear us, good Lord.

Leader And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, especially Andres Pastrana, Pauline Williams, Jane Molleson Wolf, all those who have died so far from the coronavirus, and those who we name now. *(Your own petitions are invited either aloud or silently in your heart.)*

Leader We beseech thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

People **Hear us, good Lord.**

Leader Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate.

People **Amen.**

Confession of Sin (BCP 330)

Deacon Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God. (*Silence.*)

People **Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Priest Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him: "Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you." *Matthew 11:28*

The Peace

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And with thy Spirit.**

Holy Week Prayer over the People (BOS 12)

Priest 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.**

Our Holy Week worship continues tomorrow with Good Friday.