

Mundy Thursday
Thursday, April 1, 2021



“UNLESS I WASH YOU, YOU
HAVE NO PART WITH ME.”

JOHN 13:8

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7:00 PM

*This evening our Lenten observance comes to an end,
and we gather with Christians around the world
to celebrate the Three Days of Jesus' death and resurrection.*

*Tonight we remember Christ's last meal with his disciples,
but the central focus is his commandment
that we live out the promise embodied in this meal.*

*As Jesus washed his disciples' feet,
so we are called to give and receive love
in humble service to one another.*

*Formed into a new body in Christ through this holy meal,
we are transformed by the mercy we have received
and carry it into the world.*

*Departing worship in solemn silence,
we anticipate the coming days.*

PRELUDE

"Ah, Holy Jesus"

Cruger

Congregation responds in bold print.

Please stand as you are able.

PSALMODY

Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19

We will speak the Psalm responsively.

¹I love the LORD, who has heard my voice,
and listened to my supplication,

²**for the LORD has given ear to me whenever I called.**

¹²How shall I repay the LORD
for all the good things God has done for me?

¹³**I will lift the cup of salvation and
call on the name of the LORD.**

¹⁴I will fulfill my vows to the LORD
in the presence of all God's people.

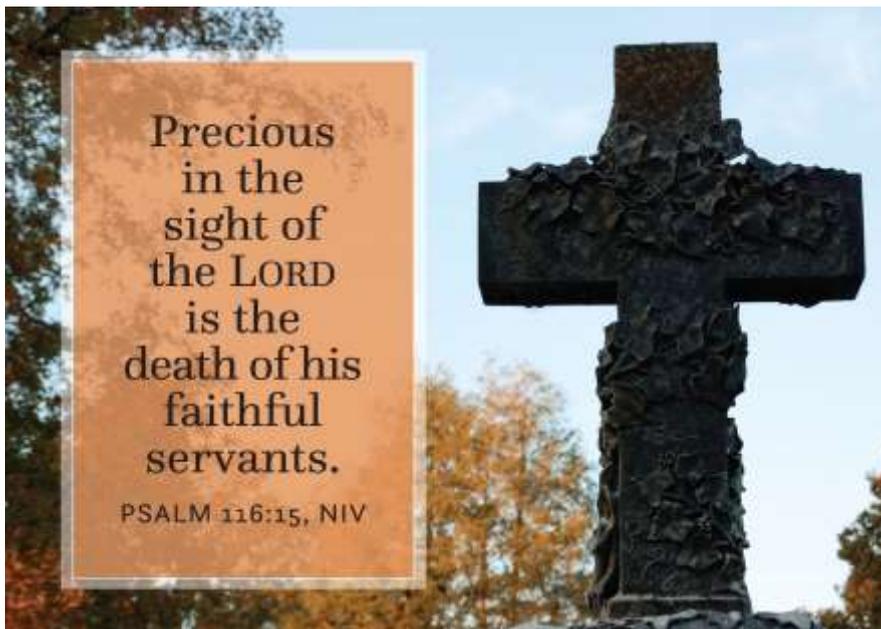
¹⁵**Precious in your sight, O LORD,
is the death of your servants.**

¹⁶O LORD, truly I am your servant; I am your servant,
the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds.

¹⁷**I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving
and call upon the name of the LORD.**

¹⁸I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all God's people,

¹⁹**in the courts of the LORD's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.**



CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Friends in Christ, in this Lenten season we have heard our Lord's call to struggle against sin, death, and the devil—all that keeps us from loving God and each other. This is the struggle to which we were called at baptism. Within the community of the church, God never wearies of forgiving sin and giving the peace of reconciliation. On this night let us confess our sin against God and our neighbor, and enter the celebration of the great Three Days reconciled with God and with one another.

Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination.

Most merciful God,
**we confess that we are captive to sin
and cannot free ourselves.
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.
For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us.
Forgive us, renew us, and lead us,
so that we may delight in your will
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us
even when we were dead in sin,
and made us alive together with Christ.
By grace you have been saved.

In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.
Almighty God strengthen you with power
through the Holy Spirit,
that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.
Amen.

WORD

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

**Holy God, source of all love,
on the night of his betrayal,
Jesus gave us a new commandment,
to love one another as he loves us.
Write this commandment in our hearts,
and give us the will to serve others
as he was the servant of all,
your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.
Amen.**

Please be seated.



SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

“The Depth of God’s Love and Our Care to Love”

FIRST READING

Exodus 12:1-4, 11-14

¹The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: ²This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. ³Tell 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. ⁴If 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.

¹¹This 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. ¹²For 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. ¹³The 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.

¹⁴This 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.



GOSPEL

John 13:1-17, 31b-35

¹Now 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. ²The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper ³Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, ⁴got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. ⁵Then 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. ⁶He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" ⁷Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." ⁸Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." ⁹Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" ¹⁰Jesus 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." ¹¹For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, "Not all of you are clean." ¹²After 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? ¹³You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. ¹⁴So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. ¹⁵For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. ¹⁶Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. ¹⁷If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them." ^{31b}"Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. ³²If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. ³³Little 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.' ³⁴I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

SERMON

Jesus Christ:

Pastor Arlyn

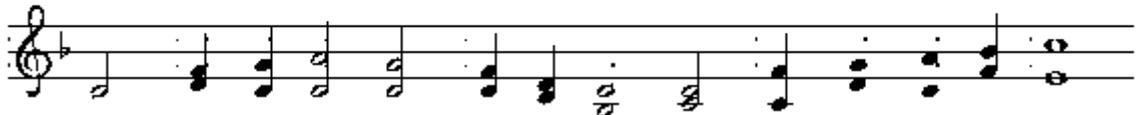
The Real Deal Servant and fullness of God's Love

Please stand as you are able.

HYMN

“Where Charity and Love Prevail”

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1 Where char - i - ty and love pre - vail, there God is ey - er found:
3 Let us re - call that in our midst dwells Christ, God's ho - ly Son:
5 Let us for - give each oth - er's faults as we our own con - fess,



brought here to - geth - er by Christ's love, by love we thus are bound,
as mem - bers of each bod - y joined, in him we are made one,
that we may love each oth - er well in Chris - tian gen - tle - ness.



PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Trusting in Christ's passover from death to new life,
we pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

Holy One, you bow down to serve your people. Forgive us and free us of
the impulse to serve ourselves. By your love and mercy, shape us to reflect
Christ's self-giving example to others.

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You are the God of abundance: plentifully provide food for all of your creation. Teach us to act charitably toward our neighbors. Make us eager to share what we have been given and meet the needs of those with less. Leave no one's table lacking.

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Your Son ate with and washed the feet of those who would deny and betray him. Through reconciliation and the healing power of your sacrificial love, may the many cities, states, and countries be transformed. Grant us wisdom and discernment as we continue to work towards peace and unity.

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You heard the cry of your Son in the Garden and you continue to hear the cries of your people. We pray especially for Scott, Jim,, Shirley, Christine, Kayla, Larry, Mary, Sherry, Cameron, Ron, Cheryl, Bernice, Ayano, Marlene, Bob, Kelly, Denise, Carl, Beth, Jane, William, Rick, Belva, Carl, Phyllis, Martha, and Sister Frances. Thank you for your ongoing mercy as you attend to your people. May we as the body of Christ be used to provide food for the hungry, shelter for the homeless, healing for the sick, and welcome to those who are marginalized or outcast.

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

P: Attend to the needs of the whole world with your saving grace, and lead us all into new life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

MEAL

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen**

Please be seated.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION INFORMATION

*All baptized followers of Christ are welcome at the Lord's Table.
Communicants are ushered forward row-by-row.
Ushers will direct communicants forward from the back of the sanctuary to the front.
Please continue to wear your mask as you come forward
and simply pull it down when receiving the communion elements.
Collect an empty cup as you near the front of the sanctuary.
Wearing a sanitary glove, the pastor will drop a wafer in your hand.
After you have eaten the wafer, the communion assistant
will pour wine from the chalice into the empty cup.
After drinking the wine, please return to your seat along the side aisle.
Grape juice is available; please request that
from the communion assistant if you prefer it.*



Parishioners depart in silence after receiving the sacrament.

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"Growing in God"

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*"Seed - Planting and Growing in our Faith
Sow - Sharing the word of God with our community"*