

Trinity Episcopal Church

Cranford, in the Diocese of New Jersey



"Jesus Washing the Feet of His Disciples" – Albert Edelfelt

Maundy Thursday: Part 1 of the Triduum

March 28, 2024 at 7:30 PM



The Reverend Andrew David Kruger ~ Presider

Anthony J. Rafaniello ~ Director of Music & Organist

Casey Woodruff ~ Senior Warden & Thomas Kaercher ~ Junior Warden

Prelude

“Were You There” – arr. John Carter

Cynthia Kolby – flute

The bells are rung, and the People stand for the entrance of the Cross.

I. Gathering of God's People

Gathering Hymn

Abbot's Leigh

Hymnal 379

1 God is Love, let heaven a - dore him; God is Love, let
2 God is Love; and Love en - folds us, all the world in
3 God is Love; and though with blind-ness sin af - flicts all

earth re - joice; let cre - a - tion sing be - fore him
one em - brace: with un - fail - ing grasp God holds us,
hu - man life, God's e - ter - nal lov - ing - kind-ness

and ex - alt him with one voice. God who laid the earth's foun-
ev - ery child of ev - ery race. And when hu - man hearts are
guides us through our earth - ly strife. Sin and death and hell shall

da - tion, God who spread the heaven a - bove, God who breathes through
break - ing un - der sor - row's i - ron rod, then we find that
nev - er o'er us fi - nal tri - umph gain; God is Love, so

all cre - a - tion: God is Love, e - ter - nal Love.
self - same ach - ing deep with - in the heart of God.
Love for ev - er o'er the u - ni - verse must reign.

Presider ✕ Blessed be the one, holy, and living God:
People **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

Reception of Holy Oils

Common Worship

Brothers and sisters, on this most holy night we enter into the three days of the celebration of our Lord's paschal victory, his death, and resurrection. Those of our community who are to be baptized this Eastertide will be made one with Christ, dying to sin, and rising to newness of life in him. As we begin, therefore, we receive from Bishop French the holy oils blessed and set apart for the sacramental life of our parish.

Minister The oil for the sick.

Presider By the laying on of hands and anointing with this oil, and with the prayerful support of this community, may those who are sick experience the healing presence of Christ. **Amen.**

Minister The oil of baptism.

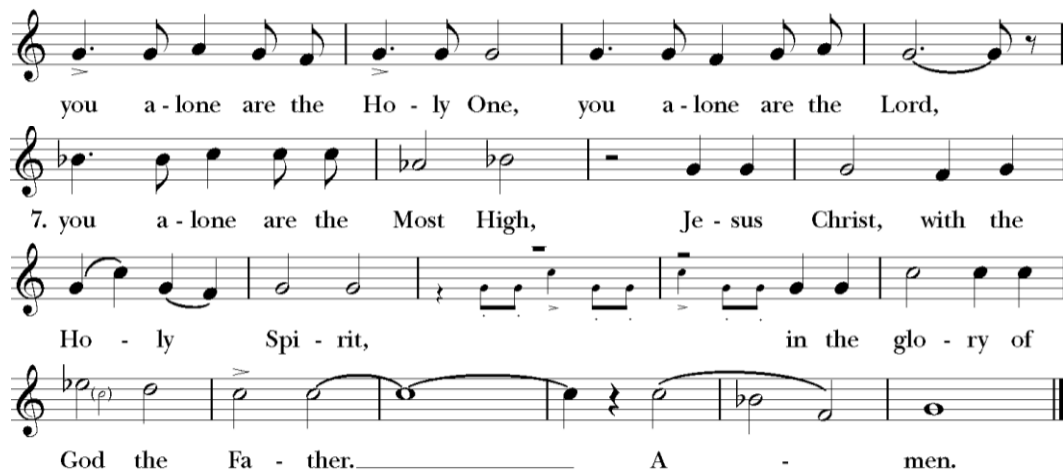
Presider Anointed with this oil, and assisted by the example of this community, may those who are to be baptized know that Christ calls them by name and makes them his own and shares with them his victory over sin and the power of evil. **Amen.**

Gloria

William Mathias

Hymnal S 278

1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -
 might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we
 praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,
 on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
 take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;
 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
 ceive our prayer. 6. For



Collect of the Day

Book of Common Prayer 221

Presider The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**

Presider 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 People sit.

II. Proclaiming and Receiving the Word of God

First Reading

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.

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.**

All are invited to sing the Antiphon and Psalm.



I will lift up the cup of sal - va - tion, and call up - on the Name of the LORD



TONE VIII.1

- 1 *I love* the LORD, because he has heard the voice of my supplicátion, *
because he has inclined his ear to me whenever I / called upón him.
- 10 How shall I repay the LÓRD *
for all the good things / he has dóned for me?
- 11 I will lift up the cup of salvátion *
and call upon the / Name of thé LORD.
- 12 I will fulfill my vows to the LÓRD *
in the presence of / all his péople.
- 13 Precious in the sight of the LÓRD *
is the death / of his sérvants.
- 14 O LORD, I am your sérvant; *
I am your servant and the child of your handmaid;
you have / freed me fróm my bonds.
- 15 I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgíving *
and call upon the / Name of thé LORD.
- 16 I will fulfill my vows to the LÓRD *
in the presence of / all his péople, [Ant.]

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Reader A reading from Paul's first letter to the Corinthians.

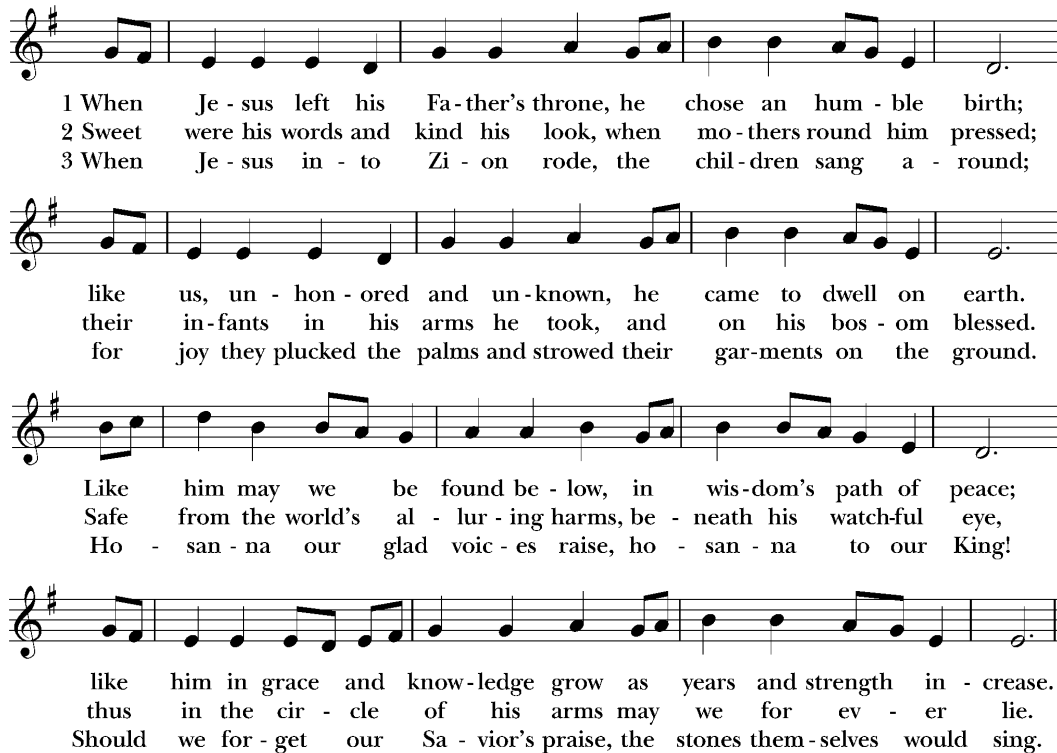
I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The People stand.



1 When Je - sus left his Fa - ther's throne, he chose an hum - ble birth;
 2 Sweet were his words and kind his look, when mo - thers round him pressed;
 3 When Je - sus in - to Zi - on rode, the chil - dren sang a - round;

like us, un - hon - ored and un - known, he came to dwell on earth.
 their in - fants in his arms he took, and on his bos - om blessed.
 for joy they plucked the palms and strowed their gar - ments on the ground.

Like him may we be found be - low, in wis - dom's path of peace;
 Safe from the world's al - lur - ing harms, be - neath his watch - ful eye,
 Ho - san - na our glad voic - es raise, ho - san - na to our King!

like him in grace and know - ledge grow as years and strength in - crease.
 thus in the cir - cle of his arms may we for ev - er lie.
 Should we for - get our Sa - vior's praise, the stones them - selves would sing.

Holy Gospel

John 13:1-17, 31b-35

Presider

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St John.

People

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now 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. The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. During supper Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. Then 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.

He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" Jesus 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." For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, "Not all of you are clean." 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.”

Presider

The Gospel of the Lord.

People

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

III. Responding to the Proclaimed Word

Homily

Andrew Kruger

Foot Washing

Book of Occasional Services 82

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 you who share in the royal priesthood of Christ, to come forward, that we may recall whose servant we are by following the example of our Master. Come remembering his admonition that what will be done for us is also to be done by us 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.”

Foot Washing Meditation

Ubi Caritas

Wonder, Love & Praise 831

U - bi ca - ri - tas et a - mor,
Live in char - i - ty and stead - fast love,

u - bi ca - ri - tas De - us i - bi est.
live in char - i - ty; God will dwell with you.

1. You love, O Jesus has gathered us together.
2. May your love, O Jesus Christ, be foremost in our lives.
3. Let us love one another as God has loved us.
4. Let us be one in love together in the one bread of Christ.
5. The love of God in Jesus Christ bears eternal joy.
6. The love of God in Jesus Christ will never have an end.

The People remove their shoes and socks while in the pews and then make their way to the foot washing stations. The presider and wardens wash the feet of the first persons to come forward, and then those whose feet are washed, in turn, wash the feet of those who come after them, giving all the opportunity to follow the example and command of our Lord.

Prayers of the People

Common Worship alt.

Presider In the power of the Spirit let us pray to the Father through Christ the savior of the world.

The Intercessor prays

Father, on this, the night he was betrayed, your Son Jesus Christ washed his disciples' feet.
We commit ourselves to follow his example of love and service.

Lord, hear us: **and humble us.**

On this night, our Lord prayed for his disciples to be one.
We pray for the unity of your Church.

Lord, hear us: **and unite us.**

On this night, our Lord prayed for those who were to believe through his disciples' message.
We pray for the mission of your Church.

Lord, hear us: **and renew our zeal.**

On this night, our Lord commanded his disciples to love, but suffered rejection himself.
We pray for the rejected and unloved.

Lord, hear us: **and fill us with your love.**

On this night, our Lord reminded his disciples that if the world hated them it hated him first.
We pray for those who are persecuted for their faith.

Lord, hear us: **and give us your peace.**

On this night, our Lord accepted the cup of death and looked forward to the new wine of the kingdom.
We remember those who have died in the peace of Christ.

Lord, hear us: **and welcome all your children into paradise.**

The Presider concludes the prayers with the collect.

Be present, O Lord Jesus Christ, our great High Priest, as you were present with your disciples,
and be known to us in the breaking of bread; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit,
now and for ever. **Amen.**

Peace

BCP 275

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The People greet one another in the Name of the Lord.

IV. Celebrating at the Lord's Table

Offertory Sentence

Ephesians 5:2

The People remain seated. The Presider says

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offering of bread and wine to the Holy Table.



The Ushers pass the collection plates among the people. Another option is to give to Trinity online – scan the QR code and go directly to our Breeze link.

Offertory Anthem

“In Remembrance” – Buryl Red

Text – Reagan Courtney

In remembrance of me, eat this bread.
In remembrance of me, drink this wine.
In remembrance of me, pray for the time
when God's own will is done.

Take, eat and be comforted,
 Drink, and remember, too,
 That this is the body and precious blood,
 Shed for you.

In remembrance of me, heal the sick.
In remembrance of me, feed the poor.
In remembrance of me, open the door
And let your brother in.

In remembrance of me, search for truth.
In remembrance of me, always love.
In remembrance of me, don't look above,
But in your heart.
Look in your heart for God.

The People stand. The ushers bring the collection plates to the ministers.

Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP 361

Presider
The Lord be with you. And also with you.

People
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

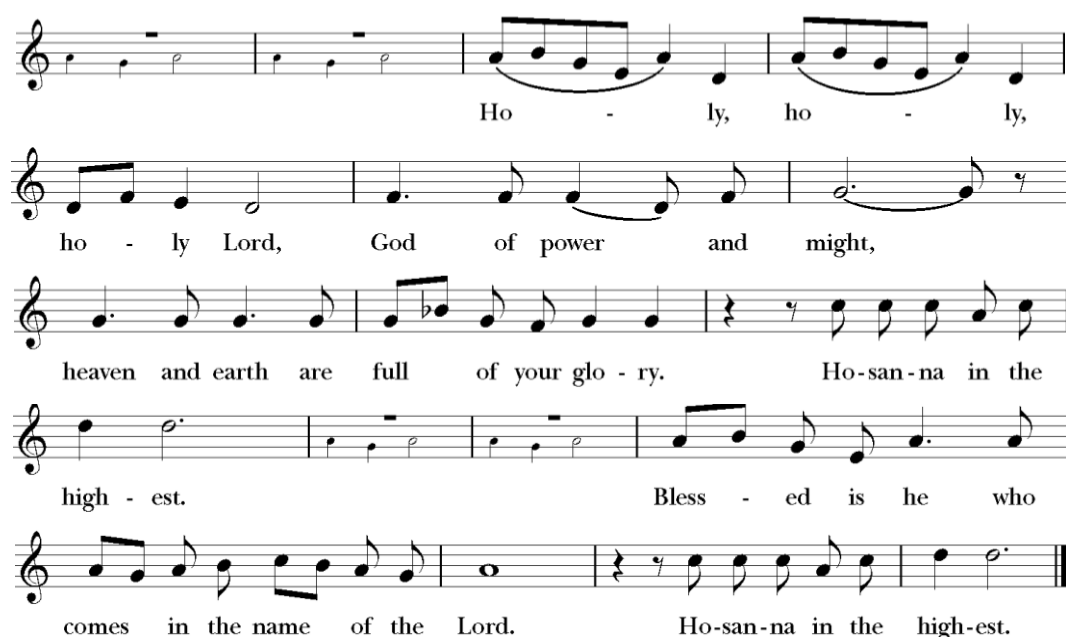
Presider
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

People
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ 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."

Presider Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him.

Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

Great Amen

Mathias/Kruger



Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

The Presider then continues

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Presider

**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,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

BCP 364

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Presider Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

Invitation to Communion

Common Worship

The Presider says

In memory now we travel back two thousand years; in faith Christ comes to us across the ages.

We break bread as he did, and refuse to forget his body broken for us; we pour out wine as he did, and remember his blood poured out for us. We hold out our hands to receive grace; we eat to be nourished with love, and drink to pledge our loyalty; we rise to take up our cross; and serve God in the world. **Amen.**

The ushers guide the people to receive Holy Communion. All who hunger for God, including children, are cordially invited to share the Gifts of God offered at this table. Whoever you are, wherever you are in your life's journey, you are welcome here.

All persons may, but no person must, receive communion in both kinds to receive the full spiritual benefits of communion. Wine is offered by way of a sip from the common cup. You may choose to receive only the host at this time. Gluten-free wafers are available by request to the priest.

Communion Hymn

Unde et Memores

William H. Turton

1. Thou, who at Thy first Eu - cha - rist didst pray That all Thy Church might
2. For all Thy Church, O Lord, we in - ter - cede; Make Thou our sad di -
3. We pray Thee too for wan - d'ers from Thy fold; O bring them back, good
4. So, Lord, at length when sac - ra - ments shall cease, May we be one with

be for - ev - er one, Grant us at ev - 'ry Eu - cha - rist to say
vi - sions soon to cease; Draw us the near - er each to each, we plead,
Shep - herd of the sheep, Back to the faith which saints be - lieved of old,
all Thy Church a - - bove, One with Thy saints in one un - bro - ken peace,

With long - ing heart and soul, "Thy will be done." O may we all one
By draw - ing all to Thee, O Prince of Peace; Thus may we all one
Back to the Church which still that faith doth keep; Soon may we all one
One with Thy saints in one un - bound - ed love; More bless - ed still, in

bread, one bo - dy be, Through this blest sac - ra - ment of un - i - ty.
bread, one bo - dy be, Through this blest sac - ra - ment of un - i - ty.
bread, one bo - dy be, Through this blest sac - ra - ment of un - i - ty.
peace and love to be One with the Trin - i - - ty in un - i - ty.

Post Communion Prayer

Common Worship

Presider Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, we thank you that in this wonderful sacrament you have given us the memorial of your passion: grant us so to reverence the sacred mysteries of your body and blood that we may know within ourselves and show forth in our lives the fruit of your redemption, for you are alive and reign, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The consecrated elements are processed to the Altar of Repose in the Narthex of the Church.

V. Going out as God's People

Stripping of the Altar

The Holy Table and Sanctuary are stripped during the chanting of Psalm 22.

Psalm 22

Deus, Deus meus

Plainsong Psalter

All are invited to sing the Antiphon and Psalm.



They di - vide my gar - ments a - mong them; they cast lots for my cloth - ing.



TONE IV.1

- 1 My Gôd, my God, why have / you forsáken me? *
and are so far from my cry
and from the / words of mÿ dístress?
- 2 O my God, I cry in the daytime, but you / do not ánsver; *
by night as well, / but I find nŏ rest.
- 3 Yet you / are the Hóly One, *
enthroned upon the / praises öf Ísräel.
- 4 Our forefathers / put their trúst in you; *
they trusted, and / you delivéréd them.
- 5 They cried out to you and / were delivered; *
they trusted in you and / were not püt tö shame.
- 6 But as for me, I am a / worm and nó man, *
scorned by all and / despised bý the pëople.
- 7 All who see me laugh / me to scórn; *
they curl their lips and / wag their hëads, sáying,
- 8 "He trusted in the LORD; let / him delíver him; *
let him rescue him, if / he delights íñ him."
- 9 Yet you are he who took me out / of the wómb, *
and kept me safe up/on my möthër's breast.
- 10 I have been entrusted to you ever since / I was bórñ; *
you were my God when I was still / in my möthër's womb.
- 11 Be not far from me, for trou/ble is néar, *
and / there is nŏne tö help.



- 12 Many young / bulls encircle me; *
strong bulls of / Bashan surround me.
- 13 They open / wide their jaws at me, *
like a ravening / and a roaring lion.
- 14 I am poured out like water;
all my / bones are out of joint; *
my heart within my / breast is melting wax.
- 15 My mouth is dried out like a pot-sherd;
my tongue sticks to the roof / of my mouth; *
and you have laid me / in the dust of the grave.
- 16 Packs of dogs close me in,
and gangs of evildoers circle around me; *
they pierce my hands and my feet;
/ I can count all my bones.
- 17 They stare / and gloat over me; *
they divide my garments among them;
they cast / lots for my clothing.
- 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 LÓRD, *
and all the families of the na/tions shall bōw bēfōre him.
- 27 For kingship belongs / to the LÓRD; *
he / rules ovēr thē nātions.
- 28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow / down in wórship; *
all who go down to the / dust fall bēfōre him.
- 29 My soul shall live for him;
my descen/dants shall sērve him; *
they shall be known / as the LÖRD’s fōr ever.
- 30 They shall come and make known to a / people yét unborn *
the saving / deeds that hē hās done. [Ant.]

The lights are dimmed; the People depart in silence.

Notes

- † Cover Art – “Jesus Washing the Feet of His Disciples” by Albert Edelfelt (1854-1905) at the Nationalmuseum in Stockholm. Created in 1898, this Finnish artist was a male illustrator and painter, whose artistic style was mainly Impressionism.
- † Gathering Hymn – Words: Timothy Rees (1874-1939); a distinguished speaker both in English and Welsh and a respected hymnographer. Although a member of the Welsh establishment, he was on the side of the working man, taking a leading role in the promotion of occupational clubs and other activities for the jobless. Music: Cyril Vincent Taylor (1907-1992), the son and grandson of clergy. “No modern hymnal would want to omit this great 20th-century tune!” –[*Psalter Hymnal Handbook*] [©1942, renewal 1970 Hope Publishing Co.]
- † Proclaiming Hymn – Words: James Montgomery (1771-1854). “The secrets of his power as a writer of hymns were manifold. His poetic genius was of a high order, higher than most who stand with him in the front rank of Christian poets. His ear for rhythm was exceedingly accurate and refined. His knowledge of Holy Scripture was most extensive. His religious views were broad and charitable. His devotional spirit was of the holiest type. With the faith of a strong man he united the beauty and simplicity of a child. Richly poetic without exuberance, dogmatic without uncharitableness, tender without sentimentality, elaborate without diffusiveness, richly musical without apparent effort, he has bequeathed to the Church of Christ wealth which could only have come from a true genius and a sanctified heart.” –[John Julian, *Dictionary of Hymnology*, 1907] Music: English folk melody dating to the Middle Ages; adapt. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958) –[by permission of Oxford University Press]
- † Offertory Anthem – A paraphrase of the words of the Last Supper by Ragan Courtney (b. 1941), “I was a relatively new Christian, and all of my writings were erupting out of my newfound relationship with the Lord. I remember being concerned that the lyrics were just a trifle and not at all up to the occasion. Then I heard the setting by Buryl Red (1936-2013) and I wept. His composition ennobled the words.” From *Lift Every Voice & Sing II*; originally in the 1972 musical “Celebrate Life” –[© 1972 Broadman Press; assigned to Van Ness Press, Inc. (ASCAP)].
- † Communion Hymn – Words: William Harry Turton (1856-1938), a layman in the Royal Engineers, published a series of 3 dozen hymns that are “worthy of attention” –[John Julian]; “This hymn was used at St. Mary Magdalene’s, Munster Square, in the Anniversary Service of the English Church Union, June 22, 1881. It is intended to be sung after the Agnus Dei at a choral celebration.” Music: William Henry Monk (1823-1889); as organist and choirmaster at St. Matthias (1852-1889), where he was influenced by the Oxford Movement, he began daily choral services with the choir leading the congregation in music more appropriate to the church calendar, including psalms chanted to plainsong. He composed over 50 hymns.

Maundy Thursday Vigil Readings

The following readings may be used during the Maundy Thursday Vigil. Silence follows each of the paired readings

John 13:16-30
Psalm 113

John 14:15-31
Psalm 116:1-9

John 16:16-33
Psalm 118:10-18

John 13:31-38
Psalm 114

John 15:1-17
Psalm 116:10-19

John 17:1-19
Psalm 118:19-29

John 14:1-14
Psalm 115

John 15:18-16:4a
Psalm 117

John 17:20-26
Psalm 54

John 16:4b-15
Psalm 118:1-9

Then the Gospel of the Watch is read, from Mark 14:26 to the end, without ceremony, followed by silence.

Holy Week and Pascha/Easter

Maundy Thursday The English word maundy in the name for the day is derived through Middle English and Old French *mandé*, from the Latin *mandatum* (also the origin of the English word “mandate”), the first word of the phrase “*Mandatum novum do vobis ut diligatis invicem sicut dilexi vos*” (“A new commandment I give unto you...”.) Maundy Thursday marks the beginning of the Triduum. Originally the Triduum was a single service that spanned Maundy Thursday evening until the break of dawn on Easter Sunday morning. The Maundy Thursday liturgy includes three major liturgical actions: Foot Washing; Holy Eucharist; and the stripping of the Holy Table including the procession of reserved sacrament to the Altar of Repose. The service flows directly into the opportunity to keep vigil in the church, just as Jesus did in the Garden of Gethsemane.

Stations of the Cross Tomorrow, Friday, March 29 at 8:30 AM led by the Confirmation class. This liturgy is a devotion to the Passion of Christ which recalls the series of events at the end of Jesus’ life from his condemnation to his burial. The Stations of the Cross, (also “The Way of the Cross”), imitates the practice of visiting the places of Jesus’ Passion in the Holy Land by early Christian pilgrims.

Clergy Council Good Friday Service Tomorrow, March 29 at 12 noon, hosted this year by Cranford Alliance Church.

Good Friday at Trinity Church Tomorrow, March 29 at 3 PM in the Church, the traditional elements of the liturgy, presented in a new way, and with space for silent contemplation, including the veneration of the cross.

Good Friday Offering Each year, on this day, offerings are invited from across The Episcopal Church to support the four dioceses in the Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East. Funds are used to promote peace and mutual understanding through pastoral care, health care, and educational programs throughout the region. Please make checks out to *Trinity Episcopal Church*, they are sent to the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society.

Paschal Vigil This Saturday, March 30 at 8 PM; the liturgy contains four main parts: The lighting of the Easter Candle from the Easter fire; hearing the great Hebrew stories of the faith while gathered around the Easter fire; the Liturgy of Initiation (everyone will have the opportunity to renew our Baptismal vows); and Holy Eucharist. At the conclusion of this service children of all ages are invited to roast marshmallows and enjoy s’mores around the Paschal fire.

Easter Sunday, the Resurrection of Our Lord March 31, Rite I Holy Eucharist at 8 AM and Rite II Holy Eucharist at 10 AM. Children will participate in an Easter egg hunt on the church grounds during the sermon. As is traditional at Trinity, everyone will sing the ‘Hallelujah Chorus’ at the conclusion of the liturgy.

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