

# TRINITY CHURCH

IN THE CITY OF ASBURY PARK, NJ

## Maundy Thursday

April 2, 2026 ~ 7:00 PM

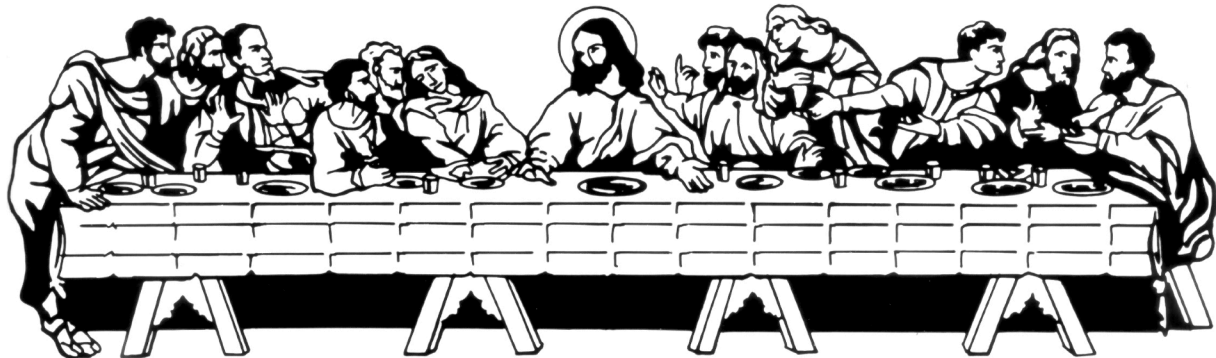
### A Word about Maundy Thursday

The word "Maundy" is from the Latin *mandatum*, meaning *Mandate* or *Commandment*. Before Jesus was crucified, he instituted the Holy Communion at the Last Supper saying, "Do this in remembrance of me." At that Supper he commanded his disciples to continue with this celebration of Holy Communion as a way of remembering what his death accomplished. He also commanded his disciples to serve others by using the image of the washing of the feet of his disciples.

Tonight's Eucharist is the only Eucharist celebrated between Wednesday and the Great Vigil and ties the events of the Last Supper to those of Good Friday. It is appropriately celebrated as a Holy Week liturgy connecting the institution of the Eucharist with the sacrifice on the cross.

Part of the liturgy is the stripping of the altar and the removal of the items from the chancel space. This is to visually call to our attention the stark reality of Jesus' passion (his last days).

This is a dramatic liturgy, full of meaning. We welcome you tonight and hope that you will walk the next three days with us as we prepare for the joy of Easter.



**Prelude** *O du Liebe meiner Liebe and Schmücke Dich*

John Leavitt, arr

*All who can, please stand*

**Processional Hymn 315** "Thou, who at the first Eucharist didst pray"

*Song 1*

## Opening Acclamation

*Celebrant* Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

*People* **God's mercy endures for ever.**

## The Collect for Purity

*Said in unison*

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.

## Trisagion

Archangelsky

*The Trisagion is sung through three times, each time with increasing vigor*

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,

5  
Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

## Collect for Maundy Thursday

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

Almighty God, 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 Lesson: A reading from the Book of Exodus (12:1-14)

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.

*The reader says, The Word of the Lord.*

*All reply, Thanks be to God.*

### **Psalm 116:1, 10-17**

William Crotch

*Sung by the choir*

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?

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 Lesson:** A reading from Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians (11:23-26)

For 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.

*The reader says, The Word of the Lord.*

*All reply, Thanks be to God.*

### **Hymn 439 "What Wondrous Love is this"**

*All who can, please stand  
Wondrous Love*

*Verses 1-2 are sung before the Gospel and verse 3 is sung after.*

## Gospel According to John (13:1-17, 31b-35)

*At the Announcement, all say*     **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. And 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."

*The Reader says*             The Gospel of the Lord  
*All Reply*                     **Praise to you, Lord Christ**

*Verse 3 will now be sung.*

**Sermon**

The Rev. Chase Danford

### **At The 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, and he commanded them to follow his example by washing one another's feet.

Therefore, we invite you who seek to follow in the way of Christ to recall whose servants we are by following the example of our Master. But remember 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."

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."

*Congregation:*

**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.**

I give you a new commandment: Love one another as I have loved you.

*Congregation:*

**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.**

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

*Any who wish to participate in the foot-washing are welcome to come forward. Please sit in a chair and remove your socks and shoes. If able, after your foot has been washed, please kneel to wash the next person's feet. Please let us know if you need any assistance in order to participate.*

**Anthem**     *Mandatum Novum*

Luke Mayernik

*Refrain: Mandatum novum do vobis: ut diligatis invicem, sicut dilexi voc.  
(translation: I give you a new commandment: that you love one another as I have loved you.)*

This is my command: love each other as I have loved you. This is how all will know you as my disciples (John 13:34-35)  
I give you an example; you also should do for others as I have done for you. (John 13: 14-15)  
Whoever observes my commandments loves me. My Father will love those who love me and I will reveal myself to them.  
(John 14: 21)  
He who is the greatest must become a servant, For here I am among you. As one who serves (Matthew 22: 26-28)  
The Son of Man came not to be served but to serve others, And to give his life as a ransom for all (Mark 10: 42-45)  
If you want to be my disciple you must turn from selfishness, Take up your cross, and follow me (Mark 8: 34-38)  
For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, So that everyone who believes in him will have eternal life. (John 3: 16)

## **Prayers of the People**

*All who can, please stand*

*The Leader and People pray responsively*

God, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;  
**That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;  
**That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;  
**That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;  
**That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
**That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;  
**That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Give to the departed eternal rest;  
**Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;  
**May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*You may offer your prayer either silently or aloud.*

*Silence*

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you:" Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where in the Holy Trinity, you live and reign, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **Confession**

*All who can, please kneel*

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

*Leader 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 pronounces the Absolution*

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**

*Greet one another in the name of Christ.*

*Celebrant*      The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People*        **And also with you.**

## **The Holy Communion**

### **Offertory Anthem** *Ubi caritas*

Ola Gjeilo

*Translation:*

Where charity and love are, God is there.  
Christ's love has gathered us into one.  
Let us rejoice and be pleased in Him.  
Let us fear, and let us love the living God.  
And may we love each other with a sincere heart.

# The Great Thanksgiving

All who can please stand

*Eucharistic Prayer B, Book of Common Prayer*

*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 God thanks and praise.**

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, 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:

## Sanctus

Tschesnokoff. DSKing, arr.

*The congregation is invited to sing the part most comfortable for you.*

Men: Ho ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of hosts. Trebles: Ho ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of hosts.

7 ho - ly, Lord God of hosts. All: Heav'n and earth are full of your

13 Glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est, in the high - est.

19 Sung by the Choir: "Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord." Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*The Celebrant proceeds* We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. For in these last days you sent Jesus to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Savior 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 Jesus 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."

Therefore, according to his command, O God,

*Celebrant and People*

**We remember Christ's death,**

**We proclaim Christ's resurrection,**

**We await Christ's coming in glory;**

*The Celebrant continues*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [ \_\_\_\_\_and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

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

Our Father (or Mother/Parent), **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.**

## **At the Breaking of the Bread**

*Celebrant* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

## **Agnus Dei, from Missa Secunda**

*Sung in Latin by the Choir*

Hans Leo Hassler; DSKing, arr.

*translation -*

Lamb of God, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, grant us your peace.

## **The Invitation**

### **At the Communion**



*The sacrament of Holy Communion is a profound and central part of our worship. In it we receive God's promise to set aside all that separates us; we strengthen our union with Christ and one another; and we experience a foretaste of the time when all creation will share the feast God has prepared for us. All who seek a deeper relationship with God in Jesus Christ are invited to join us at the Lord's Table.*

*Follow the usher's direction to communion. Receive the bread in open palm. Wine is available in the silver chalice, and non-alcoholic grape juice in the wooden cup. You may receive the wine by taking a sip or touching your wafer to the wine. For the grape juice, please only touch the wafer to the juice. If you would like a blessing in lieu of communion, indicate so by crossing your arms over your chest. Gluten free wafers are available, please ask the clergy for one if desired. Please let the usher know if you need the Celebrant to come to your pew to administer communion.*

## Communion Anthem *Ave Verum*

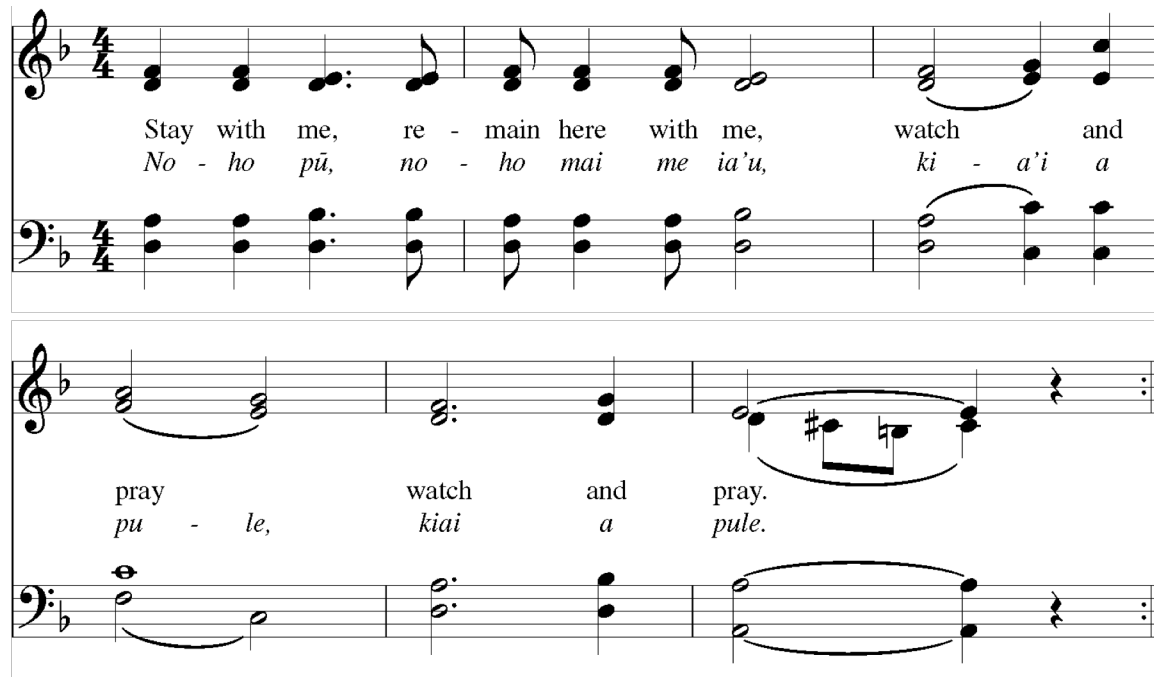
Edward Elgar

Hail the true body, born  
of / from the Virgin Mary:  
You who truly suffered and were sacrificed  
on the cross for the sake of man.

From whose pierced flank  
flowed water and blood:  
Be a foretaste for us  
in the trial of death.

## Communion Hymn "Stay with me"

Jacques Berthier



Stay with me, re - main here with me, watch and  
No - ho pū, no - ho mai me ia'u, ki - a'i a  
pray pu - le, watch kiai and a pray. pule.

## Prayer after Communion

Eternal God, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Blessing

from *A New Zealand Prayer Book*

*Celebrant*

May the peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of God's Son, Jesus Christ our Lord: and the blessing of God Almighty, who creates, redeems, and sanctifies, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.

*During the singing of hymn 329 the remains of the consecrated sacrament are solemnly processed to the chapel altar for the All Night Watch. The Watch will be kept through the night in memory of Jesus' time of prayer and agony in the Garden of Gethsemane, and his question to his disciples, "Could you not watch with me one hour?"*

*A note about the reserved Sacrament and Good Friday: Good Friday is the day we recall Christ's crucifixion. Because every Eucharist is a celebration of the resurrection, the Eucharist is not celebrated on this day. Instead, the reserved sacrament will be consumed during a brief service of prayers at 7 am, following the Night Watch. The Good Friday liturgies will take place at noon and 7 pm.*

## Hymn 329, vv 1-5. "Now, my tongue, the mystery telling"

*Pange Lingua*

*The lights are gradually extinguished.*

## Concluding Maundy Thursday Ceremonies

*Following ancient custom, the sanctuary (the area immediately surrounding the altar) is prepared for Good Friday. It is stripped of linens, candles and all decoration, including the high altar cross. The central altar is washed with water and consecrated wine. The congregation kneels. Designated persons assist in the stripping of the altar while Psalm 22 is chanted.*

*All who can, please kneel*

### Psalm 22

- 1 My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? and are so far from my cry and from the words of my distress?
- 2 O my God, I cry in the daytime, but you do not answer; by night as well, but I find no rest.
- 3 Yet you are the Holy One, enthroned upon the praises of Israel.
- 4 Our forefathers put their trust in you; they trusted, and you delivered them.
- 5 They cried out to you and were delivered; they trusted in you and were not put to shame.
- 6 But as for me, I am a worm and no man, scorned by all and despised by the people.
- 7 All who see me laugh me to scorn; they curl their lips and wag their heads, saying,
- 8 "He trusted in the Lord; let him deliver him; let him rescue him, if he delights in him."
- 9 Yet you are he who took me out of the womb, and kept me safe upon my mother's breast.
- 10 I have been entrusted to you ever since I was born; you were my God when I was still in my mother's womb.
- 11 Be not far from me, for trouble is near, and there is none to 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 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.

### Retiring Procession

*The clergy and congregation leave in silence.*

The Maundy Thursday Night Watch begins immediately in the chapel.  
Please enter and exit through the glass doors.



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