

LITURGY OF  
MAUNDY THURSDAY  
2021

MOW We are welcomed by Minister of the Word, Judith

The Gathering

Introit hymn - Meekness and majesty

The Greeting

President    The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
                 the love of God, and the fellowship  
                 of the Holy Spirit be with you  
All            and also with you.

Words of welcome from Revd Joe

Prayers of Penitence

MOW        Our Lord Jesus Christ says:  
                 'If you love me, keep my  
                 commandments.'  
                 'Unless I wash you, you have no part in  
                 me.'  
                 Let us confess to almighty God  
                 our sins against his love,  
                 and ask him to cleanse us.

Silence is kept.

MOW        Have mercy on us, O God,  
                 in your great goodness;  
                 according to the abundance of your  
                 compassion blot out our offences.  
                 Lord, have mercy.  
All            Lord, have mercy.

MOW        Against you only have we sinned  
                 and done what is evil in your sight.  
                 Christ, have mercy.  
All            Christ, have mercy.

MOW      Purge us from our sin  
              and we shall be clean;  
              wash us and we shall be whiter than  
              snow.  
              Lord, have mercy.  
All         Lord, have mercy.

### Absolution

President    May the Father forgive us by the death  
              of his Son, and strengthen us to live  
              in the power of the Spirit all our days.  
All         Amen.

### Gloria in Excelsis

All         Glory to God in the highest,  
              and peace to his people on earth.  
              Lord God, heavenly King,  
              almighty God and Father,  
              we worship you, we give you thanks,  
              we praise you for your glory.  
              Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
              Lord God, Lamb of God,  
              you take away the sin of the world:  
              have mercy on us; you are seated  
              at the right hand of the Father:  
              receive our prayer.  
              For you alone are the Holy One,  
              you alone are the Lord,  
              you alone are the Most High,  
              Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
              in the glory of God the Father.  
              Amen.

### The Collect

President    Let us pray that we may love one  
              another  
              as Christ has loved us.

Silence is kept.

President    God our Father, your Son Jesus Christ

was obedient to the end and drank the  
cup prepared for him: may we who share  
his table watch with him through the  
night of suffering and be faithful.

All                      Amen.

### Liturgy of the Word

#### Old Testament Reading – read by Judith

##### 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 neighbour 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 judgements: 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.  
Exodus 12 v 1 – 14

At the end of the reading ...

Reader              This is the word of the Lord.  
All                    Thanks be to God.

#### New Testament Reading by Miriam

##### A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians

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. 1 Cor 11 v 23 – 26

At the end of the reading ...

Reader	This is the word of the Lord.
All	Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn - Glory be to Jesus

Gospel Reading by Jim

Reader	Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory. I give you a new commandment, says the Lord: Love one another as I have loved you.
All	Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John  
Glory to you, O Lord

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.

When he had gone out, Jesus said, '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.' John 13 v 1 – 17, 31b - 35

At the end of the Gospel ...

Reader	This is the Gospel of the Lord.
All	Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon – Revd Liz

After the sermon, there is a period of silence.

'A New Commandment'

President	Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters we do also for you: give us the will to be the servant of others as you were the servant of all, and gave up your life and died for us, but are alive and reign, now and for ever.
All	Amen.

Prayers of Intercession – led by Dominic

Reader	In the power of the Spirit let us pray to the Father through Christ the saviour of the world.
	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
All	and humble us.

Silence

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

All            Lord, hear us  
and unite us.

Silence

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

All            Lord, hear us  
and renew our zeal.

Silence

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

All            Lord, hear us  
and fill us with your love.

Silence

Reader      On this night, he 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

All            and give us your peace.

Silence

Reader      On this night, he 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.

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

## Liturgy of the Sacrament

### The Peace

President Jesus says: 'Peace I leave with you;  
my peace I give to you.  
Do not let your hearts be troubled,  
neither let them be afraid.'  
The peace of the Lord be always with you  
All and also with you.

President Let us offer one another a sign of peace.  
Joe to introduce hymn offertory hymn

All may exchange a sign of peace.

Offertory Hymn - Love is his word, love is his way

### Preparation of the Table

President At the Eucharist we are with our crucified  
and risen Lord. We know that it was not  
only our ancestors, but we who were  
redeemed and brought forth from  
bondage to freedom, from mourning to  
feasting. We know that as he was with  
them in the upper room so our Lord is  
here with us now.

All Until the kingdom of God comes  
let us celebrate this feast.

President Blessed are you, Lord, God of the  
universe, you bring forth bread from the  
earth.

All Blessed be God for ever.

President Blessed are you, Lord, God of the  
universe, you create the fruit of the vine.

All Blessed be God for ever.

### The Eucharistic Prayer

President The Lord is here.

All	His Spirit is with us.
President	Lift up your hearts.
All	We lift them to the Lord
President	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All	It is right to give thanks and praise.
President	It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation; in your love you made us for yourself. When we turned away you did not reject us, but came to meet us in your Son.
All	You embraced us as your children and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.
President	In Christ you shared our life that we might live in him and he in us.
All	He opened his arms of love upon the cross and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.
President	On the night he was betrayed, at supper with his friends he took bread, and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to them, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.
All	Father, we do this in remembrance of him: his body is the bread of life.
President	At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine, he gave you thanks, and said: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins; do this in remembrance of me.
All	Father, we do this in remembrance of him: his blood is shed for all.
President	As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory, send your Holy Spirit



that this bread and this wine may be to  
us the body and blood of your dear Son.  
All As we eat and drink these holy gifts  
make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.

President With your whole Church throughout the  
world we offer you this sacrifice of praise  
and lift our voice to join the eternal song  
of heaven:

All Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.

### The Lord's Prayer

Please sit or kneel.

President As our Saviour taught us, so we pray.

All 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.  
Lead us not into temptation  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours  
now and for ever.  
Amen.

### Breaking of the Bread

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

President Every time we eat this bread  
and drink this cup,  
All we proclaim the Lord's death  
until he comes.

The Agnus Dei may be used as the bread is broken.

All           Lamb of God, you take away the sin  
                 of the world, have mercy on us.  
                 Lamb of God, you take away the sin  
                 of the world, have mercy on us.  
                 Lamb of God, you take away the sin  
                 of the world, grant us peace.

### Giving of Communion

President    Jesus is the Lamb of God  
                 who takes away the sin of the world.  
                 Blessed are those who are called to his  
                 supper.  
All           Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,  
                 but only say the word,  
                 and I shall be healed.

### Communion Hymn – Ave Verum Corpus

### Prayer after Communion

Silence is kept.

President    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.  
All           Amen.

### The Conclusion

### The Stripping of the Sanctuary

The holy table and the sanctuary are stripped bare.

During the stripping, Psalm 22 may be read

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?  
Why are you so far from helping me, from the words of my groaning?  
O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer;  
and by night, but find no rest.  
Yet you are holy,  
enthroned on the praises of Israel.  
In you our ancestors trusted;  
they trusted, and you delivered them.  
To you they cried, and were saved;  
in you they trusted, and were not put to shame.  
But I am a worm, and not human;  
scorned by others, and despised by the people.  
All who see me mock at me;  
they make mouths at me, they shake their heads;  
'Commit your cause to the Lord; let him deliver—  
let him rescue the one in whom he delights!'  
Yet it was you who took me from the womb;  
you kept me safe on my mother's breast.  
On you I was cast from my birth,  
and since my mother bore me you have been my God.  
Do not be far from me,  
for trouble is near  
and there is no one to help.  
Many bulls encircle me,  
strong bulls of Bashan surround me;  
they open wide their mouths at me,  
like a ravening and roaring lion.  
I am poured out like water,  
and all my bones are out of joint;  
my heart is like wax;  
it is melted within my breast;  
my mouth is dried up like a potsherd,  
and my tongue sticks to my jaws;  
you lay me in the dust of death.  
For dogs are all around me;  
a company of evildoers encircles me.  
My hands and feet have shrivelled;  
I can count all my bones.  
They stare and gloat over me;  
they divide my clothes among themselves,  
and for my clothing they cast lots.

But you, O Lord, do not be far away!  
O my help, come quickly to my aid!

Deliver my soul from the sword,  
my life from the power of the dog!  
Save me from the mouth of the lion!  
From the horns of the wild oxen you have rescued me.  
I will tell of your name to my brothers and sisters;  
in the midst of the congregation I will praise you:  
You who fear the Lord, praise him!  
All you offspring of Jacob, glorify him;  
stand in awe of him, all you offspring of Israel!  
For he did not despise or abhor  
the affliction of the afflicted;  
he did not hide his face from me,  
but heard when I cried to him.  
From you comes my praise in the great congregation;  
my vows I will pay before those who fear him.  
The poor shall eat and be satisfied;  
those who seek him shall praise the Lord.  
May your hearts live for ever!  
All the ends of the earth shall remember  
and turn to the Lord;  
and all the families of the nations  
shall worship before him.  
For dominion belongs to the Lord,  
and he rules over the nations.  
To him, indeed, shall all who sleep in the earth bow down;  
before him shall bow all who go down to the dust,  
and I shall live for him.  
Posterity will serve him;  
future generations will be told about the Lord,  
and proclaim his deliverance to a people yet unborn,  
saying that he has done it.

## The Watch

The Blessed Sacrament is processed to the altar of repose as the 'Pange lingua' is sung.  
This hymn was written by St Thomas Aquinas (1225–1274).

Of the glorious Body telling  
O my tongue, its mysteries sing,  
And the blood, all price excelling,  
Which the world's eternal king,  
In a noble womb once dwelling,  
Shed for this world's ransoming.

Given for us, for us descending,

Of a virgin to proceed,  
Man with all in converse blending,  
Scattered he the gospel seed,  
Till his sojourn drew to ending,  
Which he closed in wondrous deed.

At the last great supper lying  
Circled by his brethren's band,  
Meekly with the law complying,  
First he finished its command,  
Then immortal food supplying,  
Gave himself with his own hand.

Word made flesh, by word he maketh  
Very bread his flesh to be,  
Humankind the wine-blood taketh:  
And if senses fail to see,  
Faith alone the true heart waketh  
To behold the mystery

The last two verses (overleaf) are sung  
when the Blessed Sacrament is on the altar or repose.

Therefore we, before him bending  
This great sacrament revere;  
Types and shadows have their ending,  
For the new rite is here,  
Faith, our outward sense befriending,  
Makes the inward vision clear.

Glory let us give, and blessing  
To the Father and the Son;  
Honour, might and praise addressing,  
While eternal ages run;  
Ever too his love confessing,  
Who, from both, with both is one. Amen.

### The Gospel of the Watch

When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. Then Jesus said to them, 'You will all become deserters because of me this night; for it is written,  
"I will strike the shepherd,  
and the sheep of the flock will be scattered."  
But after I am raised up, I will go ahead of you to Galilee.' Peter said to him, 'Though all become deserters because of you, I will never desert you.' Jesus said to him, 'Truly I tell

you, this very night, before the cock crows, you will deny me three times.' Peter said to him, 'Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you.' And so said all the disciples.

Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples, 'Sit here while I go over there and pray.' He took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be grieved and agitated. Then he said to them, 'I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and stay awake with me.' And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed, 'My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me; yet not what I want but what you want.' Then he came to the disciples and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter, 'So, could you not stay awake with me one hour? Stay awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.' Again he went away for the second time and prayed, 'My Father, if this cannot pass unless I drink it, your will be done.' Again he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were heavy. So leaving them again, he went away and prayed for the third time, saying the same words. Then he came to the disciples and said to them, 'Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? See, the hour is at hand, and the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand.'