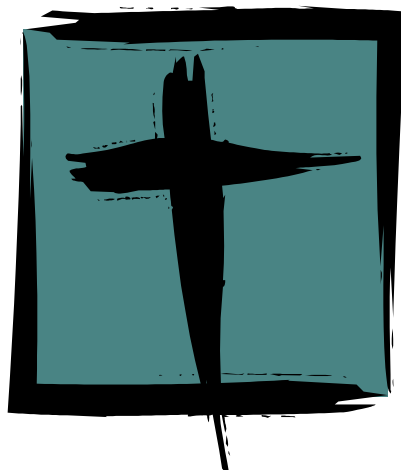




The Liturgy for Maundy Thursday

March 28, 2024

7 p.m.



The Right Reverend Dr. Douglas E. Sparks, *Supply*

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Organ Prelude

As the church bell rings, all stand as the Altar Party enters in silence.

The Celebrant says Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People His mercy endures for ever.

The Celebrant then prays the

Collect for Purity

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.*

The Celebrant says

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these." *Mark 12:29-31*

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Kneel or remain standing.

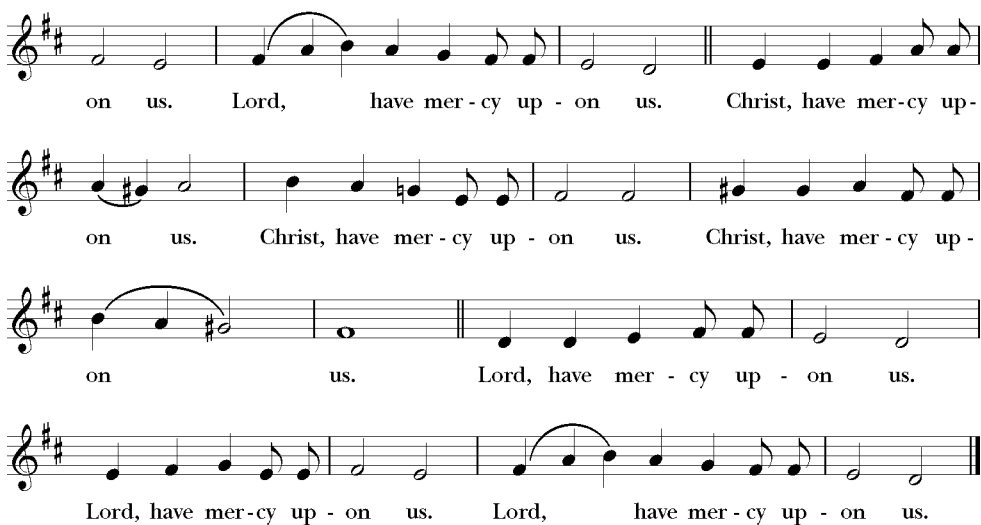
Minister and People

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 grants the Absolution. The following is said three times.

Hymnal – S91 Lord, have mercy upon us





Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Collect of the Day

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.*

A Reading from the Book of Exodus 12:1-4, 11-14

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. 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.

At the conclusion of the reading, the lector says

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Please join in reading

Psalm 116:1, 10-17 found on page 759 in the Book of Common Prayer

- 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.
- 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.

A Reading from the First Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians 11:23-26

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.

At the conclusion of the reading, the lector says

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to John 13:1-17, 31b-35

Narrator The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

Before the Festival of Passover, Jesus knew that his time had come to leave this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them fully.

Jesus and his disciples were sharing the evening meal. The devil had already provoked Judas, Simon Iscariot's son, to betray Jesus. Jesus knew the Father had given everything into his hands and that he had come from God and was returning to God. So he got up from the table and took off his robes. Picking up a linen towel, he tied it around his waist. Then he poured water into a washbasin and began to wash the disciples' feet, drying them with the towel he was wearing. When Jesus came to Simon Peter, Peter said to him,

Peter Lord, are you going to wash my feet?

Jesus You don't understand what I'm doing now, but you will understand later.

Peter No! You will never wash my feet!

Jesus Unless I wash you, you won't have a place with me.

Peter Lord, not only my feet but also my hands and my head!

Jesus Those who have bathed need only to have their feet washed, because they are completely clean. You disciples are clean, but not every one of you.

Narrator He knew who would betray him. That's why he said, "Not every one of you is clean."

After he washed the disciples' feet, he put on his robes and returned to his place at the table. He said to them,

Jesus Do you know what I've done for you? You call me "Teacher" and "Lord," and you speak correctly, because I am. If I, your Lord and teacher, have washed your feet, you too must wash each other's feet. I have given you an example: Just as I have done, you also must do. I assure you, servants aren't greater than their master, nor are those who are sent greater than the one who sent them. Since you know these things, you will be happy if you do them.

Now the Human One has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify the Human One in himself and will glorify him immediately. Little children, I'm with you for a little while longer. You will look for me—but, just as I told the Judean leaders, I also tell you now—"Where I'm going, you can't come."

I give you a new commandment: Love each other. Just as I have loved you, so you also must love each other. This is how everyone will know that you are my disciples, when you love each other.

Narrator The Gospel of the Lord.

Please be seated.

Sermon – Bp. Doug Sparks

At the Foot-Washing

It is suggested that the presider and assistants wash the feet of the first persons to come forward, and that those whose feet are washed then, in turn, wash the feet of those who come after them, thereby giving all the opportunity to follow the example and command of Jesus.

The Celebrant invites the congregation to participate in foot washing by saying the following:

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.”

After the pitchers, basins and towels have been removed, the prayer officiant comes forward to begin the prayers.

Prayers of the People – Form II

Remain standing.

I ask your prayers for God’s people throughout the world; for our Bishop Douglas; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church.

Silence

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Silence

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of God. Pray that they may find and be found by God.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the departed especially *Barb, Elsie, Pat, Herbert, Ann, Doris, and Adam...* Pray for those who have died.

Silence

Members of the congregation may ask the prayers or the thanksgivings of those present.

I ask your prayers for Judy, Lutie, Eileen, Polly, Sharon, Olivia, Nanette, Hal, Cherine, Jane, Shirley, Betty, Elizabeth, Leanne, Scott, Brittany, Malcolm, Kimm, Patty, Kathy, Lucy, Jan, Tom, Sara, Rod, Carol, Tyler, Wanda, Olivia, Ron, Kayla, Pat, Dave, Joan, Murray, Gabe, Gary, Andy, Jackson, Luke, Andrea, Erica, Ethan, Elise & baby, the White, Longenbaugh, Hensley, Rigdon, Likens, Carter, Singrey, Friz, Banich, Bullock, Parker, Eastlund, Milliman, Wease, Woodward and Jagger families. We pray for those in the Armed Forces: Graham, T.J., Ethan & Colton. We pray Diocesan Leadership: Diocesan Convention, the Standing Committee, Commission on Ministry, the Property & Loan Committee, Diocesan Council, Social Outreach Committee, the Finance Committee, and the Diocesan Foundation in the Diocese of Northern Indiana. We pray for The Church of the Province of West Africa in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer. We pray for those affected by illness, natural and manmade disasters. Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at-risk and in fear, that you would hold and protect them. We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.

Silence

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored.

Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Silence

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

The Peace

The Celebrant says to the people

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Holy Communion

All then stand and sing the

Offertory Hymn 315 *Thou, who at thy first Eucharist...*

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer C found on page 369 in the BCP.

The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and says

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 him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People: Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

People: By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

People: Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

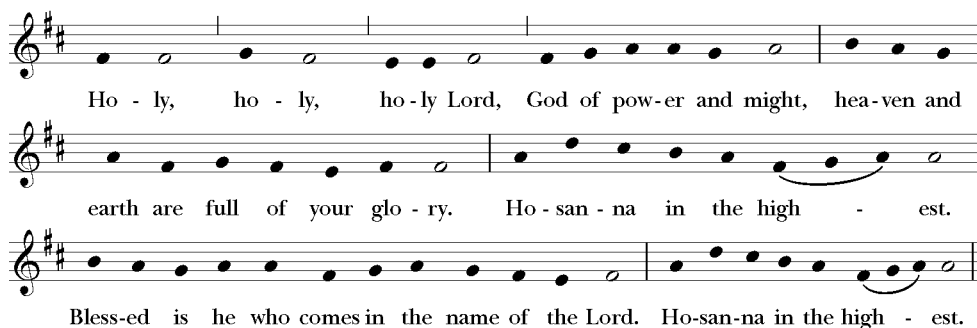
Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

People: By his blood, he reconciled us.

By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Sanctus



The congregation continues to stand or kneel.

The Celebrant continues

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessings, broke the bread and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

People: We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

People: Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. *Amen*

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

The Lord's Prayer

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*.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

The following anthem is sung

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Facing the people, the Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.

Communion Anthem – Reflections of the Cup (I Am the Lamb)... Solo: Joy Craig

I break the bread and pour the wine, but I am filled with dread. For, as I look into the cup, I see what lies ahead.

You celebrate the feast with me, but do not understand the One you see before you is the sacrificial Lamb. (Chorus) I am the Lamb! I am the Lamb! I see the cup before me. I am in the Father's hands. The sacrifice is chosen, and the ransom must be paid. I am the Lamb; there is no other way. Inside the cup I see what will unfold this very night. I hear the footsteps thundering and see the torches' light. I silently endure the kiss of Judas on my face, and watch you fall away in fear as I am led away. (Chorus) A courtyard echoes with the sound of ridicule and scorn. I see a purple robe of shame, a cruel crown of thorns. The angry cries of "Crucify!" now lead me to the streets. I bear the insult of the cross for everyone to see. And as the hammer starts to fall, the nails begin to sing. I'm firmly held in the embrace and torment of the tree. The Father turns His face away. My mother starts to weep. I breathe my last and now the cup holds nothing more to see. (Chorus) I am the Lamb.

Then all say together the

Post-Communion Prayer

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Procession of the Blessed Sacrament to the Altar of Repose and the Stripping of the Altar

All remain kneeling for the singing of

Hymn 329 Now, my tongue, the mystery telling...

The Altar Party removes the remaining consecrated elements to the Altar of Repose (St. Mary's Chapel). The congregation remains kneeling until the stripping of the altar is completed. All Altar Guild Members please join in to help.

All then depart in silence.

Serving tonight:

Chalice Bearer: Ellen Wease, Kathy Lee Crucifer: Will Petro Lectors: Shavawn Parduhn Ushers: Mark & Ellen Wease Altar Guild: Stripping of the Altar at 7 p.m. Assisted by all teams. Gospel Reading: Narrator: Shavawn Parduhn Jesus: Dave Baumgartner Peter: Dave Hummel

***You are invited to join us for worship at
7 p.m. Good Friday
8 a.m. Easter Service Rite I
10 a.m. Easter Service Rite II***