

# ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

April 17, 2025 6:00pm

## MAUNDY THURSDAY



*Tonight we begin the Sacred Triduum (3-day period) leading us to Easter. The eucharist we share this evening is in remembrance of Jesus' last supper with his disciples— although the disciples do not know this. At this meal, Jesus dramatically demonstrated his message of servanthood by washing his disciples' feet. In so doing, he commanded them to "love one another just as I have loved you." ("Maundy" is derived from the Latin word for "commandment.") At the end of this evening's service, the altar is stripped.*

*The liturgy continues tomorrow with the Good Friday services at 11:30am and 6:00pm. On Saturday, you are invited to participate in the Great Vigil of Easter at the Cathedral at 7:00pm. On Easter Sunday we celebrate with services of resurrection at 7:30am and 10am. Join us in experiencing the fullness of this foundational story of our Christian faith.*

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*Thank you for your gifts to the church. An offering bowl can be found at the door.*

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## Holy Week and Easter Services at St. Peter's

**April 18, Good Friday Service, 11:30am**

Supper in the Parish Hall, 5:00pm

Stations of the Cross in Queen Emma Square Park, 6:00pm

**April 20, Easter Sunday, 7:30am and 10:00am**

# Holy Eucharist

*We begin in silence.*

## **Confession and Forgiveness**

*Presider:* Friends in Christ, in this Lenten season we have heard Jesus' call to intensify our struggle against sin, death, and the evil forces of the world that keeps us from loving God and each other. This is the struggle to which we were called at baptism.

Within the community of the church, we are promised that God never wearies of forgiving sin and giving the peace of reconciliation. On this night, let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor, and enter the paschal celebration reconciled with God and with one another.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination. Congregation may remain standing or kneel.*

**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.**

*Presider* 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.**

**Hymn**

*Go to dark Gethsemane*

**Hymnal 1982, #171**

*Presider:* Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

*People:* **His mercy endures for ever.**

## **The Collect of the Day**

*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.**

*All may be seated.*

## **First Reading:**

**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.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

**Thanks be to God.**

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

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.

**Second Reading:**

**I 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.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

**Thanks be to God.**

*All sing*

*Return to God*

*(sung before and after the Gospel)*

David Schack

Re - turn to the Lord, your God, who is  
gra-cious and mer-ci-ful, slow to an-ger, and a-bound-ing in stead-fast love.

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Return to God'. It consists of two staves of music in 4/4 time, with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is written in a soprano clef. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff contains the lyrics 'Re - turn to the Lord, your God, who is' and the second staff contains 'gra-cious and mer-ci-ful, slow to an-ger, and a-bound-ing in stead-fast love.' The music is simple and suitable for congregational singing.

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## **The Gospel:**

**John 13:1-17, 31b-35**

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

### **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. 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."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

**Thanks be to God.**

*All sing*

*Return to God (see page 4)*

## **Homily**

**Pastor Ruth**

### **The Washing of Feet**

*You are invited to share in this act of service by having your feet washed and, if you desire, by washing the feet of another. Pastor Ruth will remain at one of the stations. At the other,*

*you are invited to wash the next person's feet after yours are washed. The following hymn is sung by all during the foot washing.*

### The Servant Song

1. 1. Brother, sister, let me serve you;  
let me be as Christ to you;  
pray that I may have the grace to  
let you be my servant too.
2. We are pilgrims on a journey,  
and companions on the road;  
we are here to help each other  
walk the mile and bear the load.
3. I will hold the Christ light for you  
in the nighttime of your fear;  
I will hold my hand out to you,  
speak the peace you long to hear.
4. I will weep when you are weeping;  
when you laugh I'll laugh with you;  
I will share your joy and sorrow,  
till we've seen this journey through.
5. When we sing to God in heaven,  
we shall find such harmony,  
born of all we've known together  
of Christ's love and agony.
6. Brother, sister, let me serve you;  
let me be as Christ to you;  
pray that I may have the grace to  
let you be my servant too.

*Please stand*

## **The Prayers of the People**

*After each petition, the response is “**hear our prayer.**”*

Holy God, we come to you in prayer for the church, your good creation, and all who are in need.

*A brief silence.*

Heal the wounds of your church, O God. As we remember your commandment to love one another, guide us toward reconciliation within the body of Christ. Bless all who gather around the world and in this community for these holy three days. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Renew the life of your creation. Restore lands suffering from chronic drought or flood, and protect fragile habitats from destruction. Encourage all who strive to build more sustainable systems for life and thriving. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Bring peace and justice among your people. Where there is oppression or fear, bring liberation and hope. Instill wisdom and humility in local and national leaders, and guide them to serve their communities in the way of Jesus. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Console all who suffer. We pray especially for all who are lonely and yearning for community. Assure them of your loving presence. Come alongside all who cry out to you in any need. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

In the bread and cup we share, you show us the way of love poured out for the whole world. Nourish all who hunger in body or in spirit, that they experience the life abundant that flows from you. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

We remember the saints who rest in you. We give thanks for all our beloved dead. Confident of your steadfast love, we commend them to your eternal care. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Receive the prayers of your people and draw all things together in your love, in the name of Jesus, who leads us from death to life.

**Amen.**

## The Peace

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

*Give a nod, a wave, or a peace sign to those around you. The sharing of The Peace takes place as we prepare to receive communion. It is a sign of reconciliation, of the forgiveness we receive in Christ and that which we extend to one another with God's help.*

## The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer from *Enriching our Worship*

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **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.**

Presider It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we say:

*(spoken)*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*The people stand or kneel. The Presider continues*

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people. Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling



among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and 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 friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Teach us to pray as our Lord taught:

**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.**

**Lamb of God** (*spoken*)

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: **have mercy on us.**

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: **have mercy on us.**

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: **grant us peace.**

### **The Breaking of the Bread**

We break this bread  
to share in the Body of Christ.

**We who are many are one body,  
for we all share in the one bread.**

The Gifts of God for the people of God: Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

### **Communion Distribution**

*All baptized are welcome to receive Christ's body and blood. Those who are not baptized are encouraged to come forward for a blessing, signaling this by crossing your arms over one's chest.*

*\* Communion may be received by kneeling or standing at the altar rail.*

*\* Gluten free wafers are available upon request of the server.*

*\* You may partake from the cup by drinking or by intinction (dipping a small portion of the bread, being careful not to touch the wine with your fingers).*

*\* If you wish to receive communion in the pew, please let an usher know.*

*For those joining by live-stream or watching online at a later time, although you are not physically receiving communion, you are invited to spend this time in prayer, acknowledging your desire to be wholly united with Jesus and for your soul to never be separated from him.*

### **Post Communion Prayer (Standing or kneeling)**

*Presider:* Let us pray.

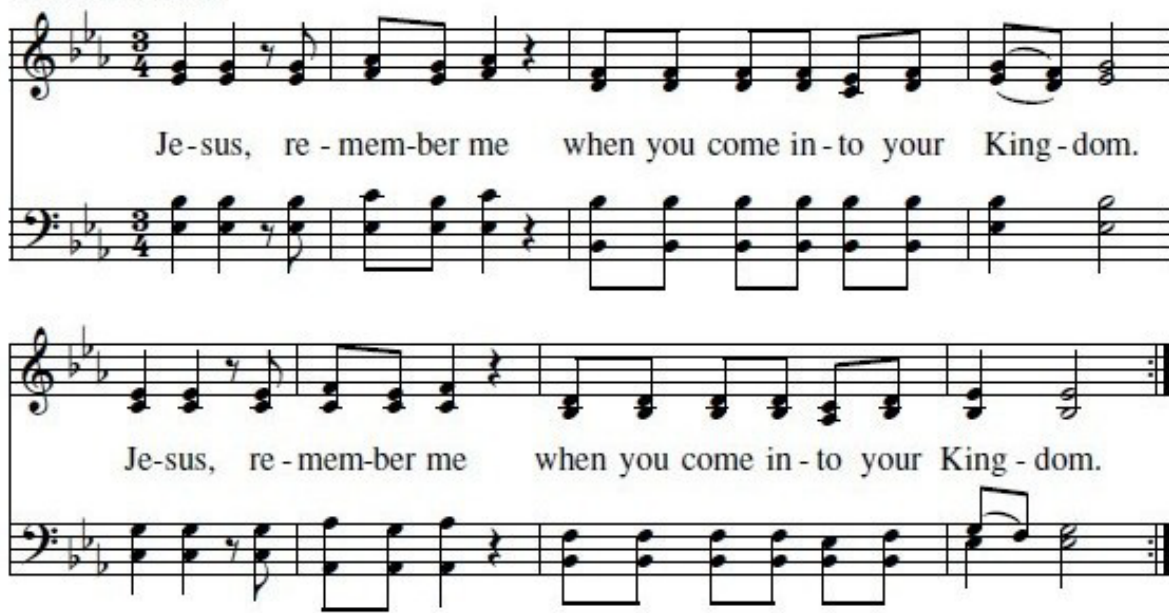
**Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen**

## **Stripping of the Altar**

*Depart in silence to return on Good Friday*

# Jesus, Remember Me

Ostinato Refrain



Je-sus, re - mem-ber me when you come in - to your King - dom.

Je-sus, re - mem-ber me when you come in - to your King - dom.

## Holy Week and Easter Services at St. Peter's

### **April 18, Good Friday Service**

11:30am – Worship in the Sanctuary

5:00pm – Supper in the Parish Hall

~~6:00pm – Stations of the Cross in Queen Emma Square Park~~  
*Cancelled due to heavy thunderstorms forecasted for that evening*

### **April 20, Easter Sunday**

7:30am and 10:00am

*~~ Jazz Vespers resumes on April 24, 6:00pm ~~*

## TODAY'S MINISTERS

**Presider**  
**Organist/Pianist**  
**Live-Streaming**  
**Lectors**  
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The Rev. Ruth Peterson  
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Manny Dayao  
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