

## THE RITE OF FOOT WASHING

April , , : p.m.

*The congregation gathers in silence.*

Reading

John : -

The Rite of Foot Washing

- P. Fellow servants of our Lord Jesus Christ: Christ our Lord, knowing that He was about to be humiliated in death, washed the feet of His disciples and commanded them to love one another by following His example and serving one another in humility. His washing of the disciples' feet served as an example of humility which He wanted them to imitate. The foot washing is a demonstration of His servanthood, how on Good Friday Christ would humble Himself by submitting to death, even death on a cross. It is an enactment of the life He even now lives for us and of the service He provides to us when He feeds us with His body and blood at His holy altar.

*All those who desire this sign of humility and servanthood are invited forward.*

Voluntary

Abide with Me

C. Moklebust

Responsive Reading

- P. The Lord Jesus, when He had eaten with His disciples, poured water into a basin and began to wash their feet saying, "This example I leave you."  
C. **If I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, then surely you must wash one another's feet.**  
P. Jesus said to His disciples, "If there is this love among you, all will know that you are My disciples."  
C. **Faith, hope, and love, let these endure.**

Prayer

- P. O Lord Jesus Christ, You did not come into the world to be served, nor to be merely admired. You are the way and the truth—and it was followers that You sought. Arouse us, O Lord, if we have dozed away into this delusion, save us from the error of wishing to admire You instead of being willing to follow You and to resemble You, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.  
C. **Amen.**

*The congregation may remain seated until the time of the Divine Service.  
In preparation for receiving the blessed sacrament see Martin Luther's  
"Christian Questions with Their Answers" in Lutheran Service Book .*

# MAUNDY THURSDAY

April , , : p.m.

Preservice Music

Ave Verum Corpus

W. A. Mozart

**i** P. In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C. **Amen.**

P. I will go to the altar of God.

C. **To God, my exceeding joy.**

P. Our help is in the name of the Lord.

C. **Who made heaven and earth.**

Confessional Address

P. .... May the almighty and merciful God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, by His Holy Spirit, accomplish this in us.

C. **Amen.**

P. Having heard the Word of God, let us confess our sins, imploring God our Father for the sake of His Son Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

P. O almighty God, merciful Father,

C. **I, a poor miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor sinful being.**

P. God be merciful to you and strengthen your faith.

C. **Amen.**

P. Do you believe that the forgiveness I speak is not my forgiveness but God's?

C. **Yes.**

P. Let it be done for you as you believe.

*The pastors will absolve the penitents individually at the altar rail.*

*Please come forward at the usher's direction.*

P. Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful; He will surely do it. Go in ☩ Peace.

C. **Amen.**

P. The Lord be with you.

C. **And also with you.**

P. Let us pray. O Lord, in this wondrous Sacrament You have left us a remembrance of Your passion. Grant that we may so receive the sacred mystery of Your body and blood that the fruits of Your redemption may continually be manifest in us; who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C. **Amen.**

**i** Old Testament Reading                      Exodus : -                      ESV p.  
Moses came and told the people all the words of the LORD and all the just decrees. And all the people answered with one voice and said, "All the words that the LORD has spoken we will do." <sup>4</sup>And Moses wrote down all the words of the LORD. He rose early in the morning and built an altar at the foot of the mountain, and twelve pillars, according to the twelve tribes of Israel. <sup>5</sup>And he sent young men of the people of Israel, who offered burnt offerings and sacrificed peace offerings of oxen to the LORD. <sup>6</sup>And Moses took half of the blood and put it in basins, and half of the blood he threw against the altar. <sup>7</sup>Then he took the Book of the Cove-

nant and read it in the hearing of the people. And they said, "All that the LORD has spoken we will do, and we will be obedient." <sup>8</sup>And Moses took the blood and threw it on the people and said, "Behold the blood of the covenant that the LORD has made with you in accordance with all these words." <sup>9</sup>Then Moses and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up, <sup>10</sup>and they saw the God of Israel. There was under his feet as it were a pavement of sapphire stone, like the very heaven for clearness. <sup>11</sup>And he did not lay his hand on the chief men of the people of Israel; they beheld God, and ate and drank.

Psalmody (*Sung by the Choir*)                      Psalm : -                      J. Gelineau

Epistle Reading                      Corinthians : -                      ESV p.  
The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a participation in the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a participation in the body of Christ? <sup>17</sup>Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread.

**i** Verse (*Sung by the Choir*)                      John : b  
Holy Gospel                      Mark : -                      ESV p.  
And on the first day of Unleavened Bread, when they sacrificed the Passover lamb, [Jesus'] disciples said to him, "Where will you have us go and prepare for you to eat the Passover?" <sup>13</sup>And he sent two of his disciples and said to them, "Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. Follow him, <sup>14</sup>and wherever he enters, say to the master of the house, 'The Teacher says, Where is my guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?' <sup>15</sup>And he will show you a large upper room furnished and ready; there prepare for us." <sup>16</sup>And the disciples set out and went to the city and found it

just as he had told them, and they prepared the Passover. <sup>17</sup>And when it was evening, he came with the twelve. <sup>18</sup>And as they were reclining at table and eating, Jesus said, “Truly, I say to you, one of you will betray me, one who is eating with me.” <sup>19</sup>They began to be sorrowful and to say to him one after another, “Is it I?” <sup>20</sup>He said to them, “It is one of the twelve, one who is dipping bread into the dish with me. <sup>21</sup>For the Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that man if he had not been

born.” <sup>22</sup>And as they were eating, he took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to them, and said, “Take; this is my body.” <sup>23</sup>And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, and they all drank of it. <sup>24</sup>And he said to them, “This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. <sup>25</sup>Truly, I say to you, I will not drink again of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God.” <sup>26</sup>And when they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

**Hymn** **O Lord, We Praise Thee**

Sermon

**!** Offertory

**H** Offering *Gott sei gelobet und gebeneeiet*

S. Scheidt

**!** Prayer of the Church

### Service of the Sacrament

Preface

Sanctus

Lord's Prayer

Pax Domini

Agnus Dei

**H** Hymns **The Death of Jesus Christ, Our Lord  
Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared**

Anthem **Now My Tongue, the Mystery Telling**

Text: T. Aquinas

Tune: *Chants ordinaires de l'Office Divin*,

**!** Post Communion Collect

Stripping of the Altar (*sit*)

*Deus, Deus meus*

Psalm

*Congregation departs in silence.*