

MAUNDY

Thursday

THE GATHERING

GREETING AND WELCOME

THE QUESTION

REFLECTION

CALL TO WORSHIP

PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of love, we give you thanks for this night Jesus shared with his disciples. Though even now we do not fully understand, we long to follow his example: to serve as he served, to love as he loved. We are sorry for the times we do not do what you command. In your mercy, forgive and cleans us. Lead us again to your table and unite us to Christ, who is the bread of life and the vine from which we grow in grace, Amen.

HYMN 202

An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare

(see end of document)

THE WORD

FIRST READING

Luke 22.7-21, *The Message*

The Day of Unleavened Bread came, the day the Passover lamb was butchered. Jesus sent Peter and John off, saying, "Go prepare the Passover for us so we can eat it together." They said, "Where do you want us to do this?" He said, "Keep your eyes open as you enter the city. A man carrying a water jug will meet you. Follow him home. Then speak with the owner of the house: The Teacher wants to know, 'Where is the guest room where I can eat the Passover meal with my disciples?' He will show you a spacious second-story room, swept and ready. Prepare the meal there." They left, found everything just as he told them, and prepared the Passover meal. When it was time, he sat down, all the apostles with him, and said, "You've no idea how much I have looked forward to eating this Passover meal with you before I enter my time of suffering. It's the last one I'll eat until we all eat it together in the kingdom of God." Taking the cup, he blessed it, then said, "Take this and pass it among you. As for me, I'll not drink wine again until the kingdom of God arrives." Taking bread, he blessed it, broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body, given for you. Eat it in my memory." He did the same with the cup after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant written in my blood, blood poured out for you. "Do you realize that the hand of the one who is betraying me is at this moment on this table?"

THE QUESTION

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THE EUCHARIST

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

GREAT THANKSGIVING AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

...Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with the faithful of every time and place,
forever singing your praises:

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

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

...For every time we come to the Table, we remember that mystery called faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

... we will feast at your table in glory.

Amen.

**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors;

and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

THE COMMUNION OF GOD'S PEOPLE

HYMN 227

Jesus, Remember Me

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We share the sacrament.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

WASHING OF HANDS

SECOND READING

John 13.1-15, *The Message*

Just before the Passover Feast, Jesus knew that the time had come to leave this world to go to the Father. Having loved his dear companions, he continued to love them right to the end. It was supertime. The Devil by now had Judas, son of Simon the Iscariot, firmly in his grip, all set for the betrayal. Jesus knew that the Father had put him in complete charge of everything, that he came from God and was on his way back to God. So he got up from the supper table, set aside his robe, and put

on an apron. Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the feet of the disciples, drying them with his apron. When he got to Simon Peter, Peter said, "Master, you wash my feet?" Jesus answered, "You don't understand now what I'm doing, but it will be clear enough to you later." Peter persisted, "You're not going to wash my feet—ever!" Jesus said, "If I don't wash you, you can't be part of what I'm doing." "Master!" said Peter. "Not only my feet, then. Wash my hands! Wash my head!" Jesus said, "If you've had a bath in the morning, you only need your feet washed now and you're clean from head to toe. My concern, you understand, is holiness, not hygiene. So now you're clean. But not every one of you." (He knew who was betraying him. That's why he said, "Not every one of you.") After he had finished washing their feet, he took his robe, put it back on, and went back to his place at the table. Then he said, "Do you understand what I have done to you? You address me as 'Teacher' and 'Master,' and rightly so. That is what I am. So if I, the Master and Teacher, washed your feet, you must now wash each other's feet. I've laid down a pattern for you. What I've done, you do.

THE QUESTION

REFLECTION

PRAYER

INVITATION TO HAND WASHING

HYMN 205

Live in Charity

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SENDING

THE QUESTION

REFLECTION

PRAYER OF BLESSING

In this night to come, open our eyes, and keep us faithful to Jesus, and by the power of your Holy Spirit bring us to your new day. Amen.

An Upper Room Did Our Lord 202

Prepare



1 An up - per room did our Lord pre - pare for those he
 2 A last - ing gift Je - sus gave his own: to share his
 3 And af - ter sup - per he washed their feet, for ser - vice,
 4 No end there is! We de - part in peace. He loves be -



loved un - til the end: and his dis - ci - ples still
 bread, his lov - ing cup. What - ev - er bur - dens may
 too, is sac - ra - ment. In Christ our joy shall be
 yond our ut - ter - most: in ev - ery room in our



gath - er there to cel - e - brate their ris - en friend.
 bow us down, he by his cross shall lift us up.
 made com - plete: sent out to serve, as he was sent.
 Fa - ther's house Christ will be there, as Lord and Host.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

This text brings together the two New Testament traditions regarding Jesus' final evening with his disciples: the Synoptic account of the Last Supper (Matthew 26:26–29/Mark 14:22–25/Luke 22:14–20) and the Fourth Gospel's report of his washing the disciples' feet (John 13:3–17).

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 MUSIC: English folk melody; harm. John Weaver, 1988
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Jesus, Remember Me

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

The first system of musical notation is written on two staves. The top staff is in treble clef and the bottom staff is in bass clef. Both staves are in the key of B-flat major (two flats) and 3/4 time. The melody is simple and repetitive, consisting of eighth and quarter notes. The lyrics are written below the staves.



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

The second system of musical notation is written on two staves, continuing the melody and lyrics from the first system. It also features a simple, repetitive melody in B-flat major and 3/4 time.

This chant-like setting, intended for repeated singing, comes from the ecumenical monastic community in Taizé, France. Based on the prayer of the penitent thief crucified with Jesus (Luke 23:42), this text is a poignant expression of the desire to be present with Christ in glory.

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MUSIC: Jacques Berthier, 1981
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REMEMBER ME
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Live in Charity

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Ubi caritas

Live in char - i - ty and stead - fast love.
U - bi ca - ri - tas et a - mor,

Live in char - i - ty; God will dwell with you.
u - bi ca - ri - tas De - us i - bi est.

This refrain comes from a Latin hymn associated with the washing of feet on Maundy Thursday. Whether in English or Latin, it is most effective when sung unaccompanied and in parts. In many ways it is a miniature equivalent of "Will You Let Me Be Your Servant" (see no. 727).

TEXT: Latin, 8th cent.; English trans. Taizé Community, 1991

MUSIC: Jacques Berthier, 1979

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