

The Holy Eucharist

April 9, 2020

Maundy Thursday / Year A

St. Antony of Egypt Episcopal Church

Welcome to St. Antony's Livestream Eucharist. Today we welcome the Rev. Craig Vocaleka and the Rev. Joseph Hickey-Tiernan who are with us representing the members of St. Bede's, Port Orchard, and St. Nicholas, Tahuya, who join us in this Livestream Eucharist.

To view the Livestream, go to St. Antony's Facebook Page (<https://www.facebook.com/saintantony/>) a few minutes before 10:15 and wait for the Livestream to appear. You may need to refresh your browser to get the Livestream to appear.

We suggest that you participate in this Eucharist by following along with this bulletin, making the responses as indicated, just like you would during the Eucharist in church. There will be periods of silence for reflection after the New Testament reading and after the sermon.

At the time of Communion, there will be a 30-second silence for meditation on the holy sacrament. You might use this time to reflect on the presence of Christ in the bread and wine that unites all the members of your congregation.

The Word of God

Presider Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People **His mercy endures forever.**

Presider Lord, have mercy

People **Christ, have mercy**

Presider Lord, have mercy

The Collect of the Day

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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.**

Old Testament - Exodus 12:1-10

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.

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.

The New Testament - 1 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.

Hymn, "Bread of the world, in mercy broken"

Hymnal 301

*Bread of the world in mercy broken, wine of the soul in mercy shed,
by whom the words of life were spoken, and in whose death our sins are dead.
Look on the heart by sorrow broken, look on the tears by sinners shed;
and be thy feast to us the token that by thy grace our souls are fed.*

The Gospel - John 13:1-17, 31b-35

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.

"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."

Homily - The Rev. Joseph Hickey-Tiernan

Prayers of the People

Deacon On this holy night we remember the Last Supper of our Lord when he created a new ritual to keep his presence alive with bread and wine, and when he knelt before the disciples and washed their feet as a servant. On this night, then, we pray for the church and for the whole world.

O God, we remember that all things come from you, the giver of life. May the Holy Eucharist be for us a continual renewal of Christ's presence in us and among us.

God, the giver of life,

Grant us our prayer.

O God of love, on this night Jesus washed his disciples' feet: may we follow his example of love and service.

God, the giver of life,

Grant us our prayer.

O God of healing, we remember caregivers, doctors, and nurses who serve the common good in the time of pandemic. Give them courage, we pray, and shield them from harm.

God, the giver of life,

Grant us our prayer.

O God of compassion, on this night Jesus gave us a new commandment to love one another. Help us to be obedient to his commandment and walk in his way of love.

God, the giver of life,

Grant us our prayer.

O God of prayer, on this night Jesus prayed in tears and anguish. Help us to persevere in prayer and not become weary.

God, the giver of life,

Grant us our prayer.

O God of desolation, on this night Jesus was betrayed and taken away from his friends. Help us remember those who suffer loneliness and isolation, especially those separated by quarantine.

God, the giver of life,

Grant us our prayer.

O God of hope, we remember all those in need, especially those we silently hold before you now.

God, the giver of life,

Grant us our prayer.

Holy God, in the sharing of bread and wine you have given us a never-ending reminder of Christ's presence among us and you have challenged us to new heights of service; grant that all humankind may be moved to pity and love for all your children. All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

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**All 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 bring you to eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Hymn, "Let thy Blood in mercy poured"

Hymnal 313

1 Let thy blood in mercy poured, let thy gracious body broken,
be to me, O gracious Lord, of thy boundless love the token.
[Refrain] Thou didst give thyself for me, now I give myself to thee.
2 Thou didst die that I might live; blessed Lord, thou cam'st to save me;
all that love of God could give Jesus by his sorrows gave me. [Refrain]

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

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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 him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. For our sins he was lifted high upon the cross, that he might draw the whole world to himself; and, by his suffering and death, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who put their trust in him.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus, said

**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.**

The people stand or kneel. Then the Presider continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On this night when he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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; 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 shed for you and for many 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.

The Presider continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

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**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.**

Fraction Anthem

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; **have mercy upon us.**
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; **have mercy upon us.**
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; **grant us your peace.**

The Communion

Postcommunion Prayer

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**Eternal God, heavenly Father,
You have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Stripping of the Altar

As Jesus was taken away from the garden and dragged through the darkness to his trial and crucifixion, so we remember the desolation of that evening by stripping the altar and removing the things of grace and beauty, leaving the house of God empty and desolate until the day of resurrection. May we stay with him in thought and prayer in these hours of waiting.

The altar is stripped and the hangings and vessels removed.

The blessing and dismissal are omitted at this service. The ministers depart in silence

