

The Episcopal Parish of Alton



Maundy Thursday
April 17, 2025
7:00 p.m.

The Rev. Garron C. Daniels
Rector XXI

eternal, the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who now liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit ever, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

A reading from the Book of Exodus

12:1-14a

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 door posts 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.

The Word of the Lord. *People: Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 116:1, 10-17

The congregation responds with verses in bold italics

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.

How shall I repay the LORD for all the good things he has done for me?

I will lift up the cup of salvation and call upon the Name of the LORD.

I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people.

Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his servants.

O LORD, I am your servant; I am your servant and the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds.

I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call upon the Name of the LORD.

I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people,

In the courts of the LORD'S house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

A reading from the First Letter of 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.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Hymn #171

Go to dark Gethsemane

The Hymnal 1982

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. When he had gone out, 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.”

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

Sermon

The Rev. Garron C. Daniels+

The Maundy: *The word Maundy means “commandment,” and refers to the new commandment that Jesus gave the disciples that they should love one another just as he loves them. This love was demonstrated when Jesus washed their feet during the Last Supper.*

The washing of feet

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 comes not by power, authority, or even miracle, but by such lowly service. We all need to remember his example, but none

standeth more in need of this reminder than those whom the Lord hath called to the ordained ministry.

Therefore, I invite you who share in the royal priesthood of Christ, to come forward, that I may recall whose servant I am by following the example of my Master. But come remembering his admonition that what will be done for you is also to be done by you 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 ye know these things, blessed are ye if ye do them.”

The following anthem is said during the ceremony of the washing of feet.

The Lord Jesus, after he had supped with his disciples and had washed their feet, said unto them, “Know ye what I, your Lord and Master, have done to you? I have given you an example, that ye should do as I have done unto you.”

Peace is my last gift to you, my own peace I now leave with you; peace which the world cannot give, I give to you.

I give you a new commandment: Love one another as I have loved you.

Peace is my last gift to you, my own peace I now leave with you; peace which the world cannot give, I give to you.

By this shall the world know that ye are my disciples: That ye have love for one another.

This Hymn may be sung during the ceremony of the washing of the feet

Hymn #602 *Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love*

The Hymnal 1982

Prayers of the People

The Leader and people pray responsively.

In peace, we pray to thee, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of thy creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Sean our Presiding Bishop, Brian our Bishop, and our Rector, Garron; and for all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence

The people may add their own petitions.

Hear us, O Lord;

For thy mercy is great.

We thank thee, O Lord, for all the blessings of this life especially for the faithful witness of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St Paul, and of all thy saints.

Silence

The people may add their own thanksgivings.

We will exalt thee, O God our King;

And praise thy Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in thine eternal kingdom.

Silence

The people may add their own petitions

Lord, let thy loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in thee.

We pray to thee also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

The Celebrant and people together say

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;

For we have sinned most grievously against thee;

In thy compassion forgive us our sins,

Known and unknown, things done and left undone;

And so uphold us by thy Spirit

That we may live and serve thee in newness of life,

to the honor and glory of thy Name;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Priest then stands and says,

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and truth faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, and confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: ***And with thy spirit.***

Offertory Sentence *The offering is collected and brought forward during the offertory Music.*

Offertory

Prelude in E minor

F. Chopin

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer I

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People: It is meet and right so to do.

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who for our sins was lifted high upon the cross, that he might draw the whole world to himself; who by his suffering and death became the author of eternal salvation for all who put their trust in him.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Holy, holy, holy Lord: Sanctus

#S114 *The Hymnal 1982*

Celebrant and People

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:

Heaven and earth are full of thy Glory.

Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The people kneel or stand.

Then the Celebrant continues

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion. And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN.**

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

The Lord's Prayer

#S119 *Hymnal 1982*

People and Celebrant

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.

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast.

Jesus, Lamb of God: Agnus Dei

#S158 *The Hymnal 1982*

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
grant us thy peace.

The following prayer may be said. The People may join in saying this prayer

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Celebrant

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.

All baptized Christians are welcome to come forward to receive Communion, and everyone is welcome to come to the rail for a blessing.

If you do not wish to receive either the bread or the wine, please cross your arms across your chest as a silent request for a blessing from the priest.

Communion Anthem

Allegretto (from 7th Symphony)

L.V. Beethoven

Post-Communion Prayer

After communion the Celebrant says

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good

works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

Please sit.

The Stripping of the Altar

All hangings, ornaments, and linens on the Altar and in the Sanctuary are removed.

Psalm 22:1-11 *Please sit or kneel if you are comfortable doing so. Said in unison during the stripping of the Altar.*

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? And are so far from my cry and from the words of my distress?

O my God, I cry in the daytime, but you do not answer; by night as well, but I find no rest.

Yet you are the Holy One, enthroned upon the praises of Israel.

Our forefathers put their trust in you; they trusted, and you delivered them.

They cried out to you and were delivered; they trusted in you and were not put to shame.

But as for me, I am a worm and no man, scorned by all and despised by the people.

All who see me laugh me to scorn; they curl their lips and wag their heads, saying, "He trusted in the LORD; let him deliver him; let him rescue him, if he delights in him."

Yet you are he who took me out of the womb, and kept me safe upon my mother's breast.

I have been entrusted to you ever since I was born; you were my God when I was still in my mother's womb.

Be not far from me, for trouble is near, and there is none to help.

All depart in silence.

Vigil begins at the Altar of repose in the Saint Elizabeth Chapel until 8:00 a.m. Friday.

Jesus repeatedly asked his disciples to stay awake with him while he prayed and watched for his betrayers to come and arrest him. Accordingly, we also take turns staying awake to pray and watch with Jesus.

SERVING TODAY

Celebrant:	The Rev. Garron C. Daniels+
Organist:	Gay Anderson
Crucifer:	Tom Wrausmann
Altar Acolyte:	Marti LoRusso
Acolyte:	Nathalia Baum
Chalice/B.B.:	Susan Lukasik
Lector/Intercessor:	Mimi Almonroeder
Altar Guild:	N. Weiss-Hayes



Good Friday

Noon at Trinity Chapel

Celebrant:	The Rev. Garron C. Daniels+
Acolyte:	Jeff Dunnagan
Lector/Intercessor:	Linda Dunnagan

7:00 p.m. at St. Paul's

Celebrant:	The Rev. Garron C. Daniels+
Organist:	Gay Anderson
Acolyte:	Donna Fisher
Acolyte:	Meg Dorris
Reader 1	Robbie Cupp
Reader 2	Marti LoRusso

Holy Saturday

The Great Vigil of Easter – 7:00 p.m. at St. Paul's

Celebrant:	The Rev. Garron C. Daniels+
Organist:	Gay Anderson
Crucifer:	Dereck Cook
Altar Acolyte and CB:	Nathalia Baum

Acolyte:	Donna Fisher
Chalice/B.B.:	Susan Lukasik
Lector/Intercessor:	Elizabeth Foley
Thurifer:	Chuck Drennan
Altar Guild:	S. Lukasik

Easter Sunday

8:15 a.m. at Trinity Chapel

Celebrant:	The Rev. Garron C. Daniels+
Organist:	Gay Anderson
Acolyte:	Laurna Hutchinson
Lector/Intercessor:	Laurna Hutchinson
Altar Guild:	M. Malloy, S. Goers

10:30 a.m. at St. Paul's

Celebrant:	The Rev. Garron C. Daniels+
Organist:	Gay Anderson
Crucifer:	Tom Wrausmann
Altar Acolyte and CB:	Marti LoRusso
Acolyte:	Destiny Drennan
Chalice/B.B.:	Susan Lukasik
Lector & Intercessor:	Chuck Drennan
Thurifer:	Donna Fisher
Altar Guild:	E. Bumbacher, R. Cupp
Flowering of the Cross:	Everyone

Decorating the St. Paul's sanctuary for Easter services will begin at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, April 19th. Please join the Altar Guild if you are interested in helping.

St. Paul's special tradition of Flowering the Palm Cross will be honored this year on Easter Sunday at 10:00 a.m. Please bring a few fresh-cut flowers from your garden, florist or floral dept. to add to the cross.

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