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The Triduum—Part One

Maundy Thursday

April 2, 2026 – 7:00 p.m.



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*The Church of the Good Shepherd practices inclusion, inspires healing,
and promotes justice as we journey with Christ in love.*

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Welcome, Guests and Newcomers!

This is Christ's House. Come, you who feel weak and unworthy. Come, you who come often and you who have stayed away. Come, you who love Jesus, and you who wish you could. Come, sinners and saints, women, men, and gender non-conforming, gay and straight, young and old. Come, you who are lonely and long for friendship. Come, you who are homeless and you who have a place to rest your heads. Come, you who are citizens of this land and you who are not. Here you are citizens of the kingdom of God. Come join God's people at the feast prepared for you from the beginning of the world.

In addition to our weekly Sunday morning worship, we consistently offer a variety of other opportunities to connect—for people of all ages.

- Our website: goodshepherdfw.org.
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Land Acknowledgment

We acknowledge that the Church of the Good Shepherd sits on a seasonal campground of the [Puyallup \(puyallup-tribe.com\)](https://puyallup-tribe.com) and [Coast Salish People](https://coast.salishpeople.com), who have lived on and stewarded these lands for thousands of years and continue to do so today. We recognize that this land acknowledgement is one small step toward true allyship, and we commit to uplifting the voices, experiences, and histories of the Indigenous people of this land and beyond.

How can you make this Land Acknowledgment more than a performative gesture? Go to the tribe's news website (<https://news.puyalluptribe-nsn.gov/>) and sign up for their newsletter. Notice what issues are important to the Puyallup people and decide how you can begin to forge a learning relationship.

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April 2	7:00 p.m.
Tech Team	Deb Smith, Dina Johnson
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Flowers	Lenten Branches
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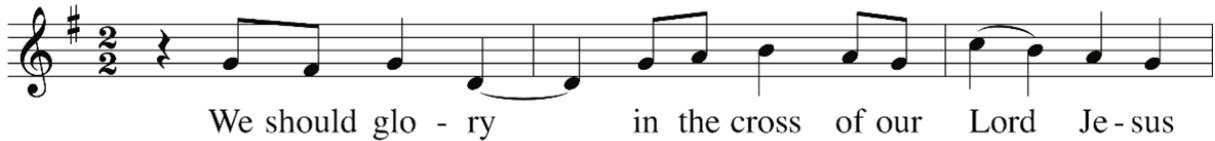
HOLY EUCHARIST: Rite Two

The Liturgy of the Word

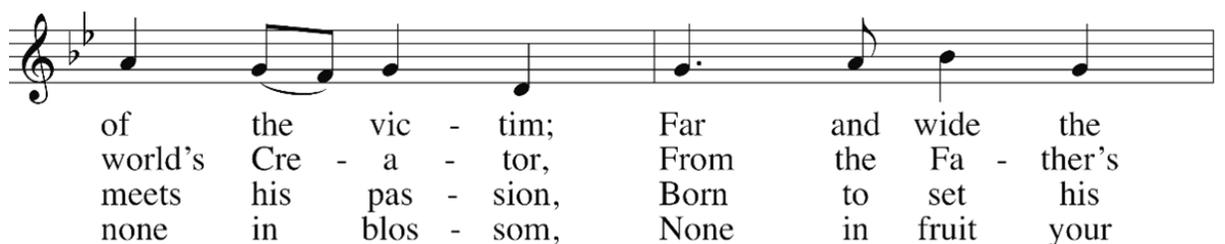
This is part one of the three-part liturgy called the Triduum ("Three Days").

Processional Hymn: Glory in the Cross (Gather 3rd ed. #501)

Refrain



1. Sing, my tongue, the hymn of glo - ry;
2. Tell how, when at length the full - ness
3. With the thir - ty years now end - ed,
4. Faith - ful Cross, true sign of tri - umph,





ech - oes ring: Je - sus Christ, the world's sal - va - tion,
 heav'n - ly home, And was found a - mong us dwell - ing,
 peo - ple free; On the cross the Lamb is lift - ed,
 peer may be; Sym - bol of the world's re - demp - tion,



From the cross now reigns as King.
 Off - spring of the Vir - gin's womb.
 There the sac - ri - fice to be.
 For your bur - den makes us free.

Text: Refrain, from *Rite of Holy Week*, © 1972, ICEL; verses by Venantius Fortunatus, c.530–609; verses 1–3 tr. by Steven R. Janco, b.1961, alt., © 1997, GIA Publications, Inc.; verse 4 tr. by John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt.
 Tune: GLORY IN THE CROSS, 8 7 8 7 8 7 with refrain; Steven R. Janco, b.1961, © 1997, GIA Publications, Inc.

The Opening Acclamation

Presider: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins;

People: **God's mercy endures forever.**

Kyrie (Alan Lynch)



Lord have mer - cy Chri - st have mer - cy



Lord have mer - cy up - on us.

The Collect of the Day

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

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.**

The congregation is seated.

The Lessons

First Lesson (Exodus 12:1–14)

Lector: A reading from the Book of Exodus.

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.

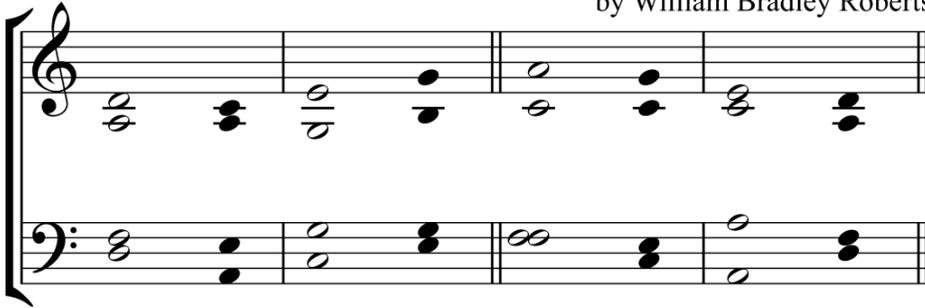
... Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Churches.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 116:1, 10–17

The congregation is invited to sing along with the cantor or choir.

Adapted from *Wondrous Love*
by William Bradley Roberts



Second Lesson (1 Corinthians 11:23–26)

Lector: A reading from Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians.

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 the Churches.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The congregation stands as able.

Gradual Hymn: O Wheat Whose Crushing Was for Bread (*Wonder, Love, and Praise* #760)



1. O wheat, whose crush - ing was for bread, O
2. O fruit whose crush - ing was for wine, O
3. O life whose crush - ing was for love, O

bread whose break - ing is for life, O life, your seem - ing end is
wine whose flow - ing is for blood, O blood, your pour - ing out is
love whose spend - ing was to death, O death, your mourn - ing is our

seed, a seed for wheat, our bread and life.
life, our life in you, O fruit - ful vine.
joy, full joy and birth to last - ing life.

Words: Delores Dufner, OSB (b. 1939). Music: *New Life*, Shirley W. McRae (b. 1933).

The Gospel (John 13:1–17, 31b–35)

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

People: **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.

"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 Judeans 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."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon (*The Rev. Anna Lynn*)

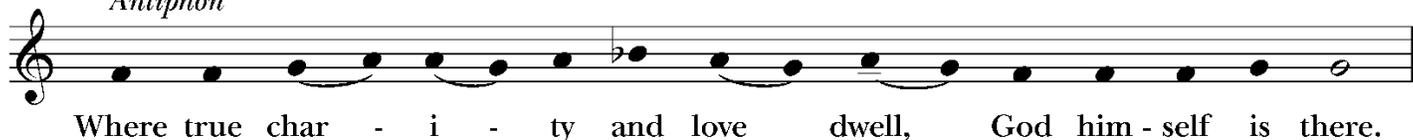
Sermon audio is recorded and made available on our website.

The Washing of Feet

The priest and altar party will be the first to wash feet. Come up as you feel so called. First find a chair where somebody is waiting to have feet washed. Wash that person's feet, and then sit in the chair yourself to have your feet washed by the next person.

Hymn: (The Hymnal 1982 #606)

Antiphon



1 Since the love of Christ has joined us in one bo - dy,
2 As we are all of one bo - dy, when we gath - er
3 Now we pray that with the bless - ed you grant us grace



let us all re - joice and be glad now and al - ways.
let no dis - cord or en - mi - ty break our one - ness.
to see your ex - alt - ed glo - ry, O Christ our God,



And as we hear and love our Lord, the liv - ing God,
May all our pet - ty jeal - ous - ies and ha - tred cease
our bound - less source of joy and truth, of peace and love,



so let us in sin - cer - i - ty love all peo - ple. [Ant.]
that Christ the Lord may be with us through all our days. [Ant.]
for ev - er and for ev - er - more, world with - out end. [Ant.]

Words: Latin: tr. Joyce M. Glover (b. 1923). Copyright © 1982, Joyce M. Glover. Music: *Ubi caritas*, plainsong, Mode 6; acc. David Hurd (b. 1950).

After all have returned to their seats, the congregation stands as able.

The Prayers of the People

Deacon: Loving, listening God, ever-attentive to the voices of those in need, we call on your name so that we might live. Now hear our prayers.

Intercessor: For the church that bears Christ's name, that the world may know we are his disciples by the love that we have for one another.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy,
All: **Hear our prayer.**

For leaders of nations and all persons in positions of authority, that their lives may be marked by Christ-like service and love.

Silence for prayers from the congregation.

Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

For all who are oppressed and living in captivity, that they may escape from evil and death to find the land of freedom you have promised.

Silence for prayers from the congregation.

Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

For those who are hungry and thirsty this day and for those who have too much, that we may learn to share your generous gifts, O God.

Silence for prayers from the congregation.

Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

For those who are dealing with loss or facing death, that the presence of Christ may bless and keep them.

Silence for prayers from the congregation.

Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

Presider: Answer us in the day of trouble, O God, so that we may lift up the cup of salvation in the presence of your people, giving thanks for all your goodness to us; through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

- Prayers from the Presbyterian Church USA, <https://www.pcusa.org/>

The Confession and Absolution

Presider: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

If you are able, please kneel at this time.

Silence

All [led by Presider]:

**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.**

The Peace

The congregation stands.

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

People: **And also with you.**

We exchange a sign of peace with one another.

The Offertory

Presider: Reconciled to one another, let us bring our gifts to God. Let us offer our whole selves on this altar, for it has become a table richly laid for the entire world. Come share joyfully in Christ's eternal feast.

The congregation may remain seated until the final verse of the offertory hymn or until motioned to stand.

**On Maundy Thursday, it is traditional to bring gifts for the poor.
Tonight's offering will go to the Multi-Service Center:
<https://mschelps.org/>**



To make a gift today (not a pledge for 2026) using your mobile device, scan the QR code on the left ... or drop a check in the offering plate ... or mail a check to the Church of the Good Shepherd, P.O. Box 3108, Federal Way, WA 98063.

On the third Sunday of each month, offerings not otherwise designated are contributed to the Rector's and Deacon's Discretionary Funds, which are used to help people in immediate need (parishioners or otherwise) or to assist new, as-yet-unbudgeted ministry opportunities.

We give not to "pay for the show," but as a spiritual practice of participation for the good of the world and of our souls. The Church of the Good Shepherd is able to operate because of the pledges of its members. We strongly encourage all members to make an annual pledge, no matter how large or small. **To make a pledge today for 2026**, use the pledge card found in your pew or go to <https://tinyurl.com/pledgegoodshep2026>.



"Washing Feet" by He Qi

Offertory Hymn: Lord, Who at Your First Eucharist Did Pray (*Worship* 4th ed. #954)



1. Lord, who at your first Eu - cha - rist did pray
2. For all your Church, O Lord, we in - ter - cede;
3. We pray for those who wan - der from your fold;
4. So, Lord, at length when sac - ra - ments shall cease,



That all your Church might be for - ev - er one,
O make our lack of char - i - ty to cease.
O bring them back, Good Shep - herd of the sheep,
May we be one with all your Church a - bove,



Help us at ev - 'ry Eu - cha - rist to say
Draw us the near - er each to each, we plead,
Back to the faith which saints be - lieved of old,
One with your saints in one un - bro - ken peace,



With long - ing heart and soul, "Your will be done."
By draw - ing all to you, O Prince of Peace.
Back to the Church which still that faith does keep.
One with your saints in one un - bound - ed love.



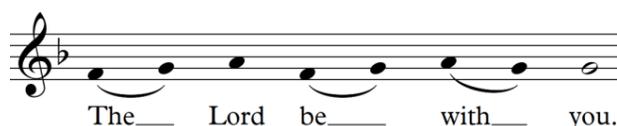
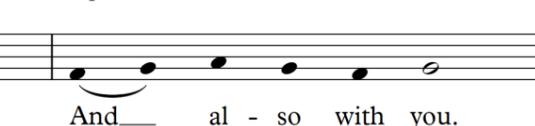
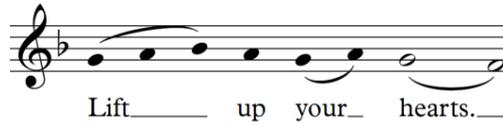
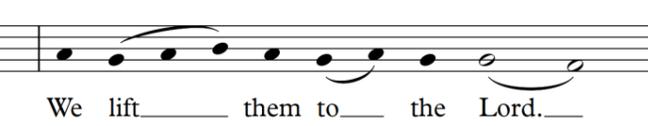
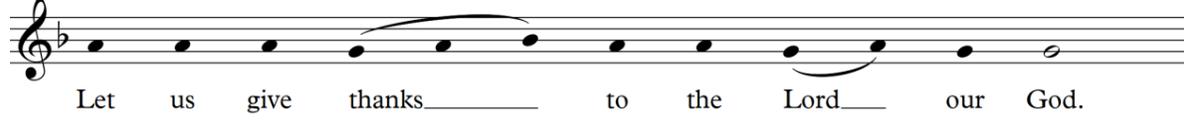
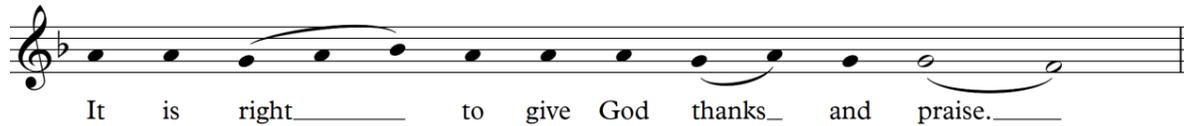
Thus may we all one Bread, one Bod - y be,
Thus may we all one Bread, one Bod - y be,
Thus may we all one Bread, one Bod - y be,
More bless - ed still, in peace and love to be



Through this blest Sac - ra - ment of U - ni - ty.
Through this blest Sac - ra - ment of U - ni - ty.
Through this blest Sac - ra - ment of U - ni - ty.
One with the Trin - i - ty in u - ni - ty.

Text: William H. Turton, 1859-1938, alt.
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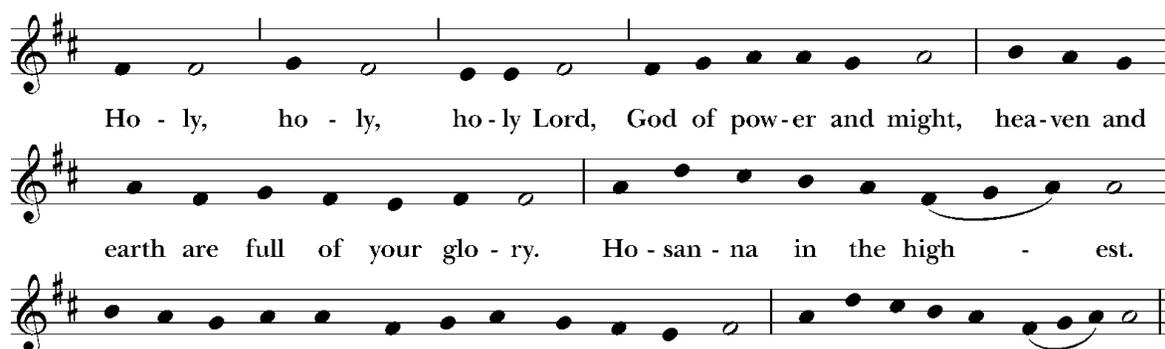
THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE
The Great Thanksgiving
Eucharistic Prayer A (inclusive language)

<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Presider</i></p>  <p style="text-align: center;">The Lord be with you.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>People</i></p>  <p style="text-align: center;">And also with you.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Presider</i></p>  <p style="text-align: center;">Lift up your hearts.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>People</i></p>  <p style="text-align: center;">We lift them to the Lord.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Presider</i></p>  <p style="text-align: center;">Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;"><i>People</i></p>  <p style="text-align: center;">It is right to give God thanks and praise.</p>	

Presider: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, the Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you.

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 (*The Hymnal 1982 #S-124*)



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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The people kneel (or continue standing).

Presider: O God, you are holy and gracious: 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, our Rock and our Foundation. Jesus stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, Jesus 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, 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 shed 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:

Presider and People:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Presider: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Most Holy God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ’s 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 Christ. 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 Reign.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory are yours, Most Blessed One, now and forever.

AMEN.

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

The Lord’s Prayer

**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

Silence is kept.

Presider: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

Fraction Anthem (*The Hymnal 1982 #S-161*)

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

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Presider: 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.

Holy Communion is Christians' weekly participation in the death and resurrection of Christ, so it properly flows from the vows made at our baptism. Even so, all are invited to the table: the baptized of any Christian denomination who have committed to follow Jesus Christ, and any guests at Jesus' table. If you are not baptized and would like to begin to explore the possibility, please reach out to Pastor Josh.

If you require gluten-free bread, tell the priest when he comes to you and it will be provided. To abstain from Holy Communion, cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you would prefer that the priest bless you. In addition, it has always been our understanding that those who receive communion in only one kind (bread or wine) have received communion in the fullest sense.

Communion Music: Ave Verum Corpus (W.A. Mozart)

Alana O'Donnell, soloist

Latin:

Ave, verum corpus
natum de Maria Virgine,
Vere passum immolatum
in Cruce pro homine,
Cujus latus perforatum
unda fluxit (et) sanguine,
Esto nobis praegustatum
in mortis examine

English:

Hail, true body
born of the Virgin Mary,
Who truly suffered, sacrificed
on the Cross for man,
Whose pierced side overflowed
with water and blood,
Be for us a foretaste
In the test of death

A Prayer for Spiritual Communion

Those who cannot be with us on-site to receive Holy Communion may wish to add this private prayer:

In union, O Lord, with the faithful at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I offer you praise and thanksgiving. I present to you my soul and body with the earnest wish that I may always be united with you and with the Body of Christ. And since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I ask you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you and to your Church, and I embrace you with all the affections of my soul. Let nothing ever separate you from me; may I live and die in your love. Amen.

Post-Communion Prayer

The congregation stands as able.

Presider: Let us pray.

All: **Eternal God, you have graciously accepted us as living members of 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 Savior. Amen.**

The congregation is seated once again.

The Stripping of the Altar

While the cantor chants Psalm 22, members of the Altar Guild strip all the furnishings out of the sanctuary.

The procession moves out to the parking lot, and all the people follow.

In the Garden
Matthew 26:36-56

Deacon: Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples, “Sit here while I go over there and pray.” He took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be grieved and agitated. Then he said to them, “I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and stay awake with me.” And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed, “My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me; yet not what I want but what you want.” Then he came to the disciples and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter, “So, could you not stay awake with me one hour? Stay awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.” Again he went away for the second time and prayed, “My Father, if this cannot pass unless I drink it, your will be done.” Again he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were heavy. So leaving them again, he went away and prayed for the third time, saying the same words. Then he came to the disciples and said to them, “Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? See, the hour is at hand, and the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand.”

While he was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; with him was a large crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests and the elders of the people. Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, “The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him.” At once he came up to Jesus and said, “Greetings, Rabbi!” and kissed him. Jesus said to him, “Friend, do what you are here to do.” Then they came and laid hands on Jesus and arrested him. Suddenly, one of those with Jesus put his hand on his sword, drew it, and struck the slave of the high priest, cutting off his ear. Then Jesus said to him, “Put your sword back into its place; for all who take the sword will perish by the sword. Do you think that I cannot appeal to my Father, and he will at once send me more than twelve legions of angels? But how then would the scriptures be fulfilled, which say it must happen in this way?” At that hour Jesus said to the crowds, “Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest me as though I were a bandit? Day after day I sat in the temple teaching, and you did not arrest me. But all this has taken place, so that the scriptures of the prophets may be fulfilled.” Then all the disciples deserted him and fled.

Hymn: Stay with Me (Wonder, Love & Praise #826)

Stay with me, re - main here with me, watch and
No - ho pū, no - ho mai me ia'u, ki - a'i a

pray watch and pray.
pu - le, kiai a pule.

Words: Matthew 26, tr. Malcolm Naea Chun (b. 1954). Music: Jacques Berthier (1923-1994).

All the people depart in silence, to return tomorrow at either noon or 7:00 p.m. for the Good Friday liturgy.

THE TRIDUUM: “Three Days”

Our annual participation in the death and resurrection of Christ is actually one liturgy, taking place over three consecutive evenings.

Part 2: GOOD FRIDAY, April 3

12:00 noon or 7:00 p.m. The Good Friday Liturgy with the Veneration of the Cross. *Our annual remembrance of the death of Jesus focuses on the Cross as an icon of redemptive suffering, tempered by our faith that even death is no obstacle to God. Our offering from this service will benefit the work of Anglican Churches in the Holy Land.*

Part 3: THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER, April 4

8:00 p.m. Gather outside the church. (Bring a bell, drum, or noisemaker to use at the time of the proclamation of Easter.) *This is the night. We light the new Paschal flame. By candlelight, we hear the ancient tales of God’s works of salvation. We come to the water to renew the vows of our baptism. We proclaim Easter! And then all are invited to the table, old and young, sinners and saints, to share in the eternal meal of the Risen Christ. Bring the whole family. Bring kids and little ones in pajamas. Bring parents. Bring friends. Bring anyone and everyone who is in need of Good News!*