

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

ST. PAUL'S ON THE GREEN

Maundy Thursday

APRIL 2, 2026 - 7:30PM

PRELUDE

O Mensch, beweine deine Sünde groß BWV 622 - J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

HYMN IN PROCESSION

standing

Hymn 439

Unison

1 What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What
2 To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing, to
3 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on, and

won-drous love is this, O my soul! What wondrous love is this that
God and to the Lamb, I will sing. To God and to the Lamb who
when from death I'm free, I'll sing on. And when from death I'm free I'll

caused the Lord of bliss to lay a - side his crown for my
is the great I AM, while mil - lions join the theme, I will
sing and joy - ful be, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing

soul, for my soul, to lay a - side his crown for my soul.
sing, I will sing, while mil - lions join the theme I will sing.
on, I'll sing on, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on.

Words: American folk hymn, ca. 1835

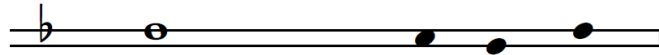
Music: *Wondrous Love*, from *The Southern Harmony*, 1835; alt. acc. Carlton R. Young, (b. 1926)

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION AND COLLECT

The Celebrant intones

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

The People respond



Glory to God for ev - er and ever.

The Celebrant prays the Collect.

O God, in the fullness of time you revealed your love in Jesus your servant. On the eve of his death, as a sign of your covenant, he washed the feet of his disciples and gave himself as food and drink. Give us life at this sacred banquet and joy in humble service, that, bound to Christ in all things, we may pass over from this world to your kingdom, where he lives with you now and always in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

...God for ever and ever.

Amen.

THE LESSON *seated*

Exodus 12:1-4,11-14

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. 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 People.

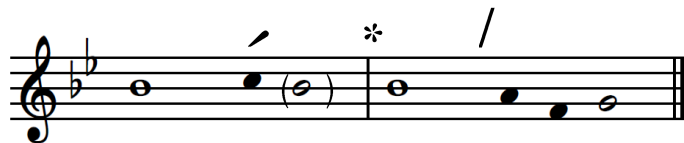
Thanks be to God.

PSALM

The first verse is intoned by the Cantor.

Psalm 116:1, 10-17

All who wish may then join in singing with the Choir.



I love you, O God, because you have heard the voice of my supplicátion, *
because you have inclined your ear to me whenever I called / upon you.

How shall I repay Gód *
for all the good things / done for me?

I will lift up the cup of salvátion *
and call upon the / Name of God.

I will fulfill my vows to Gód *
in the presence / of all people.

Precious in your sight, O Gód, *
is the death / of your servants.

O God, I am your sérvant; *
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 your / holy Name.

I will fulfill my vows to yóu *
in the presence of / all your people,

In the courts of God's hóuse, *
in the midst of you, / O Jerusalem.

THE EPISTLE *seated*

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.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the People.

Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL PROCESSION

standing; all turn toward the Gospel as it is brought among the People

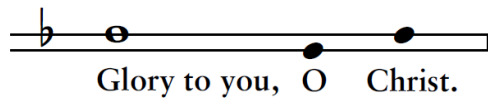
1. As in that up - per room you left your seat and took a towel and
 2. I bow be - fore you, all my sin con - fessed, to hear a - gain the
 3. So in re - mem - brance of your life laid down I come to praise you

chose a ser - vant's part, so for to - day, Lord, wash a - gain my
 words of love you said; and at your ta - ble, as your hon - ored
 for your grace di - vine; Saved by your cross, and sub - ject to your

feet, who in your mer - cy died to cleanse my heart.
 guest, I take and eat the true and liv - ing bread.
 crown, strength - ened for ser - vice by this bread and wine.

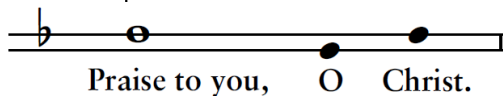
Words: Timothy Dudley-Smith (b. 1926)
 Music: Sursum Corda, Alfred Morton Smith (1879-1971)

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



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."

The Gospel of the Lord.



SERMON

The Rev. Paul Carling

A period of silent reflection follows the sermon.

THE FOOTWASHING *seated*

Please remain seated when the vested ministers stand.

The Celebrant bids the footwashing.

Fellow servants of 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 kingdom of God come not by power, authority, or even miracle, but by such lowly service, and he commanded them to follow his example by washing one another's feet. Therefore, I invite you who share in the royal priesthood of Christ to come forward, that we may follow the example of our Master, remembering the new commandment that he gave this night, "Love one another as I have loved you. By this shall the world know that you are my disciples: That you have love for one another."

Those who wish to participate in this ritual, please follow the direction of the ushers and proceed to one of the footwashing stations in the side aisles—one near the lectern and the other near the pulpit.

First, sit and have your feet washed. Then remain and wash the feet of the next person.

ANTHEM AT THE FOOTWASHING *seated, sung by the Choir*

Mandatum

Peter Latona (b. 1968)

[Refrain] I give you a new commandment, that you love one another, as I have loved you.

After the Lord had risen from supper, he poured water into a basin and began to wash the feet of his disciples: he left them this example.

Jesus said to his disciples:

The Lord Jesus, after eating supper with his disciples, washed their feet and said to them: Do you know what I, your Lord and Master, have done for you? I have given you an example, that you should do likewise. Jesus said to his disciples:

Lord, are you to wash my feet? Jesus said to him in answer: If I do not wash your feet, you will have no share with me. Jesus said to his disciples:

So he came to Simon Peter and Peter said to him: Lord, are you to wash my feet? Jesus said to him in answer: If I do not wash your feet, you will have no share with me.

What I am doing, you do not know now, but later you will come to know. Jesus said to his disciples:

If I, your Lord and Master, have washed your feet, how much more should you wash each other's feet? This is how all will know that you are my disciples: if you have love for one another.

Jesus said to his disciples:

Let faith, hope and charity, these three, remain among you, but the greatest of these is charity. Now faith, hope and charity, these three, remain; but the greatest of these is charity. Jesus said to his disciples:

HYMN AT THE FOOTWASHING

seated

Refrain



God is love, and where true love is



God him - self is there. there.

1 Here in Christ we gath - er, love of Christ our call - ing.
3 Grant us love's ful - fill - ment, joy with all the bless - ed,



Christ, our love, is with us, glad - ness be his greet - ing.



when we see your face, O Sa - vior, in its glo - ry.



Let us fear and love him, ho - ly God e - ter - nal.



Shine on us, O pur - est Light of all cre - a - tion,

Repeat Refrain



Lov - ing him, let each love Christ in one an - oth - er.



be our bliss while end - less a - ges sing your prais - es.

Words: Latin; tr. James Quinn (b. 1919), alt.
Music: *Mandatum*, Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The response to the prayers is

...let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, our Leader and Friend, you draw us together in these signs of service: the washing of feet, and the sharing of bread and wine. As we approach the remembrance of your death, we draw together in prayer for the world you so dearly love.

For this community and all communities that bear Christ's name, that the world may know we are his disciples by the love we have for one another, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For leaders of nations and all persons in positions of authority, that their lives may be marked by Christ-like service, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

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, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

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, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

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

Lord, have mercy.

The Celebrant prays a concluding Collect.

Holy God, source of all love, on the night of his betrayal, Jesus gave us a new commandment: to love one another as he loves us. Write this commandment in our hearts, and give us the will to serve others in obedience to him, the servant of all. We pray this in his name. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Please share a sign of peace with those nearby.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

seated

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MUSIC AT THE OFFERTORY *sung by the Choir*

Ave verum corpus

Sir Edward Elgar (1857 – 1934)

*Ave verum corpus,
Natum de Maria virgine;
Vere passum immolatum
In crucis pro homine.
Cuius latus perforatum
Unda fluxit sanguine.
Esto nobis praegustatum
In mortis examine.
O dulcis, o pie,
O Jesu Fili Mariae.*

Hail, true body,
Born of the virgin Mary;
Who has truly suffered, slaughtered
On the Cross for humanity.
Whose side was pierced,
Pouring out water and blood.
Be a foretaste for us
During our ordeal of death.
O sweet, O holy,
O Jesus Son of Mary.

HYMN AT THE OFFERTORY *standing*

1 Let thy Blood in mer - cy poured, let thy gra - cious
 2 Thou didst die that I might live; bless - ed Lord, thou
 3 By the thorns that crowned thy brow, by the spear-wound
 4 Wilt thou own the gift I bring? All my pen - i -

Bo - dy bro - ken, be to me, O gra - cious Lord,
 cam'st to save me; all that love of God could give
 and the nail - ing, by the pain and death, I now
 tence I give thee; thou art my ex - alt - ed King,

Refrain

of thy bound-less love the to - ken.
 Jes - us by his sor - rows gave me. Thou didst give thy -
 claim, O Christ, thy love un - fail - ing.
 of thy match-less love for - give me.

self for me, now I give my - self to thee.

Words: Greek; tr. John Brownlie (1859-1925)

Music: *Jesus, meine Zuversicht*, melody Johann Crüger (1598-1662); harm. after *The Chorale Book for England*, 1863

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Tonight's prayer is taken from the earliest known version of the Eucharist, the Didache, dating back to the second century.

Celebrant and People chant on a single tone.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

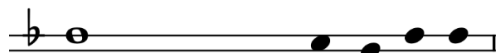
Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Holy God, we give you thanks for your image and very being, planted in our hearts, and for the knowledge, and faith, and immortality you have made known to us in Jesus your servant.



Glory to you fore-ver and ev-er.

Joining now with saints and angels, we lift our voices in chorus of unending praise:

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

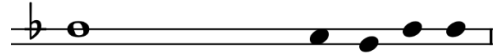
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Setting: David Hurd (b. 1950)

The Celebrant continues until

You are radiant in glory through all you have created, O God.
You give us food and drink for our pleasure,
and that we might give you thanks.
You bless us now with spiritual food and drink,
eternal life in

...Jesus your servant.



Glory to you fore-ver and ev-er.

While Jesus sat at table with his friends,
he took the bread,
blessed it, broke it,
and gave it to them, saying,
"Take and eat; this is my Body, given for you.
Whenever you eat it, you remember me."

As supper was ending,
Jesus took the cup of wine.
Again he gave thanks to you,
gave it to his friends and said,
"Drink this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new creation,
poured out for you and for all.
Whenever you drink it, you remember me.

Gathered now at your banquet O God,
we offer our lives as thanks and praise.
Remember us, your pilgrim people;
deliver us from evil,
and make us complete in your love.
Gather us,
like scattered grain growing on the hillsides,
into your great harvest,
that we may be

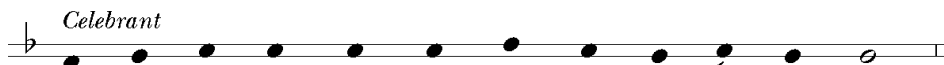
...made one in the wholeness of your love.



Glory to you fore-ver and ev-er, A - men.

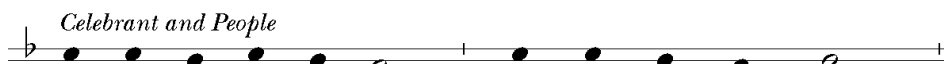
THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant

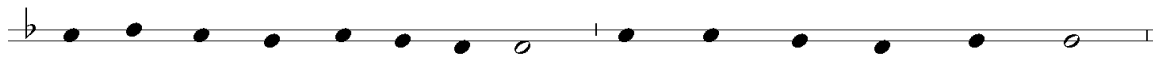


As our Sa - vior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

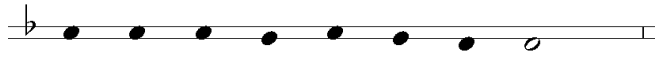
Celebrant and People



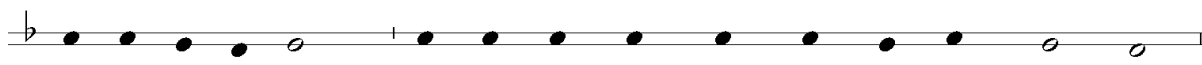
Our Fa - ther in hea - ven, hal - lowed be your Name,



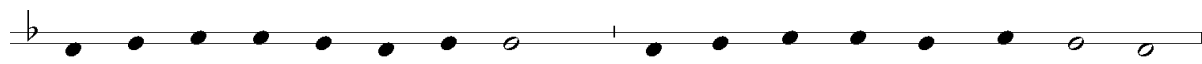
your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in hea - ven.



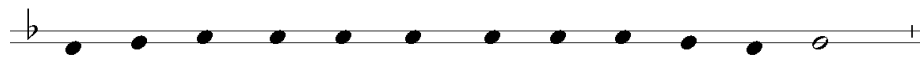
Give us to - day our dai - ly bread.



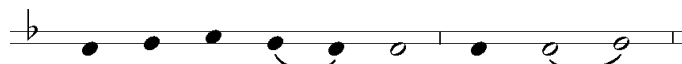
For - give us our sins as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us.



Save us from the time of tri - al, and de - liv - er us from e - vil.



For the king - dom, the power, and the glo - ry are yours,



now and for ev - er. A - men.

Setting: Ambrosian Chant, adapt. Mason Martens

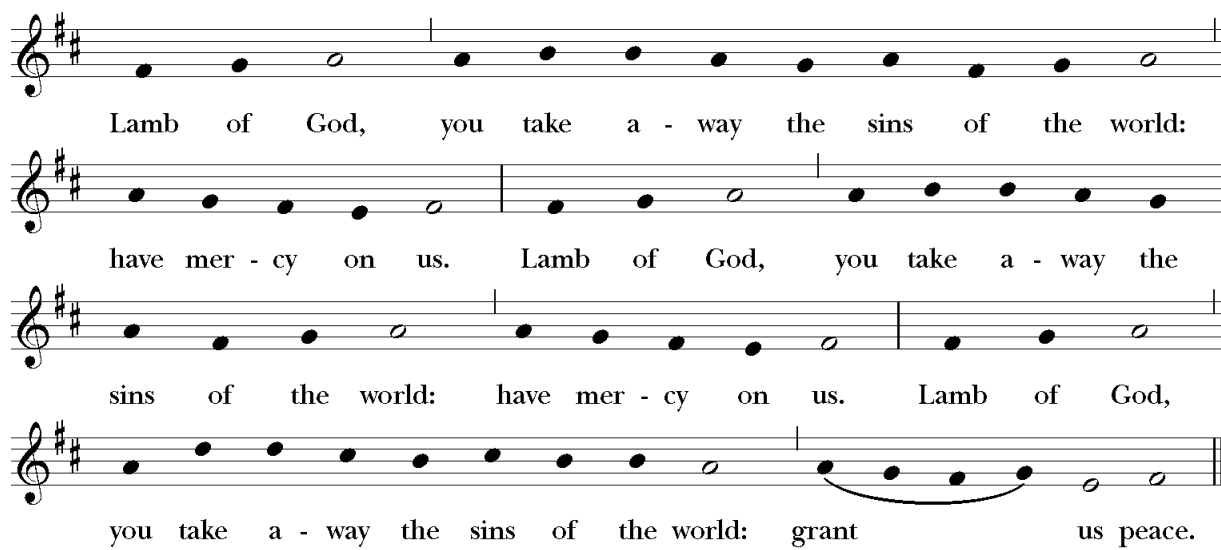
THE COMMUNION

The Celebrant breaks the bread and bids the People to Communion.

Behold what you are. Become what you receive.

Everyone is welcome to receive Communion. Please follow the direction of the ushers. Gluten-free bread is available upon request; non-alcoholic grape juice is available in the blue-dot cups at the side altars. If you don't wish to drink from the chalice, you may simply touch its base when it is brought to you. (For the health of all, we are no longer dipping the bread into the chalice wine by hand.)

All sing as the distribution of Communion begins:



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.

Music: From *New Plainsong*; David Hurd (b. 1950)

MUSIC AT COMMUNION

Ubi Caritas

Ola Gjeilo (b. 1978)

Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.
Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor.
Exultemus, et in ipso iucundemur.
Timeamus, et amemus Deum vivum.
Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero.

Where charity and love are, God is there.
Christ's love has gathered us into one.
Let us rejoice and be pleased in Him.
Let us fear, and let us love the living God.
And may we love each other with a sincere heart.

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION *standing*

God our Father, whose Son our Lord Jesus Christ
in a wonderful Sacrament has left us a memorial of his passion:
Grant us so to venerate the sacred mysteries of his Body and Blood,
that we may ever perceive within ourselves the fruit of his redemption;
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

THE RESERVATION OF THE SACRAMENT

The bread and wine of the Eucharist are now reserved in the Chapel for the vigil to follow and for Communion on Good Friday.

HYMN AT THE RESERVATION *standing*



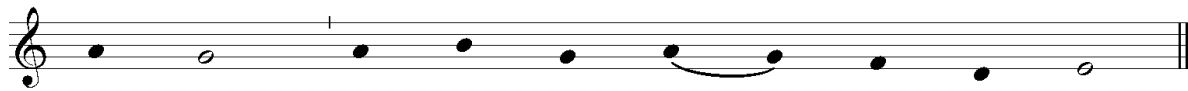
1 Sing, my tongue, the glo - rious bat - tle; of the might - y con - flict
 2 Thir - ty years a - mong us dwell - ing, his ap - point - ed time ful -
 3 He en - dures the nails, the spit - ting, vin - e - gar, and spear, and
 4 Faith - ful cross! a - bove all o - ther, one and on - ly no - ble
 5 Bend thy boughs, O tree of glo - ry! Thy re - lax - ing sin - ews
 *6 Praise and hon - or to the Fa - ther, praise and hon - or to the



1 sing; tell the tri - umph of the vic - tim, to his
 2 filled, born for this, he meets his pas - sion, this the
 3 reed; from that ho - ly bo - dy bro - ken blood and
 4 tree! None in fo - liage, none in blos - som, none in
 5 bend; for a - while the an - cient ri - gor that thy
 6 Son, praise and hon - or to the Spi - rit, ev - er



1 cross thy tri - bute bring. Je - sus Christ, the world's Re -
 2 Sa - vior free - ly willed: on the cross the Lamb is
 3 wa - ter forth pro - ceed: earth, and stars, and sky, and
 4 fruit thy peer may be: sweet - est wood and sweet - est
 5 birth be - stowed, sus - pend; and the King of heaven - ly
 6 Three and ev - er One: one in might and one in



1 deem - er from that cross now reigns as King.
 2 lift - ed, where his pre - cious blood is spilled.
 3 o - cean, by that flood from stain are freed.
 4 i - ron! sweet - est weight is hung on thee.
 5 beau - ty gent - ly on thine arms ex - tend.
 6 glo - ry while e - ter - nal a - ges run.

Words: Venantius Honorius Fortunatus (540?-600?); ver. Hymnal 1982, after John Mason Neale (1818-1866)

Music: Pange lingua, plainsong, Mode 3, Zisterzienser Hymnar, 14th cent.; acc. David Hurd (b. 1950); alt. acc. Hymnal 1940

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 forebears 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 less than human, *
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,
“You trusted in God for deliverance; *
let God rescue you, if God delights in you.”
Yet you, O God, are the one 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.
Many young bulls encircle me; *
strong bulls of Bashan surround me.
They open wide their jaws at me, *
like a ravening and a roaring lion.
I am poured out like water; all my bones are out of joint; *
my heart within my breast is melting wax.
My mouth is dried out like a pot-sherd; my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth, *
and you have laid me in the dust of the grave.
Packs of dogs close me in, and gangs of evildoers circle around me; *
they pierce my hands and my feet; I can count all my bones.
They stare and gloat over me; *
they divide my garments among them; they cast lots for my clothing.
Be not far away, O God; *
you are my strength; hasten to help me.

Jesus went with the disciples to a place called Gethsemane; he said to them, "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."

WATCH BEFORE THE SACRAMENT *led by the Choir and sung by all*

Everyone is welcome to come to the chapel as we sing. A reflective time of prayer begins now and continues until midnight. The watch continues online between midnight and 4am via the church website, and the church opens again for prayer at 4am. The watch will conclude with Morning Prayer at 7am.

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The time signature is 4/4. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The melody is written in the treble staff, and the accompaniment is in the bass staff. The lyrics are written below the treble staff. The music ends with a double bar line and repeat dots.

Stay with me, re - main here with me, watch and pray, watch and pray.

Music: Taizé, Jacques Berthier (1923-1994)
Words: adapted from Matthew 26

UPCOMING HOLY WEEK LITURGIES

GOOD FRIDAY LITURGIES – FRIDAY, APRIL 3

Stations of the Cross – 12:00 pm

Pray with the St. Paul's stations in a service of readings and music.

Solemn Liturgy of Good Friday – 7:30 pm

Service includes the Passion sung by the St. Paul's Adult Choir

THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER – SATURDAY, APRIL 4 – 7:30 PM

Celebrate the principal liturgy of the church year. This service is an extended reflection on the salvation story, culminating in Holy Baptism and the joyous first Eucharist of Easter Day.

EASTER DAY – SUNDAY, APRIL 5 – 9:00 AND 11:00 AM

Alleluia! Christ is risen! Celebrate Easter at St. Paul's on the Green with Holy Eucharist with festive music led by the Adults and Choristers.

EASTER EGG HUNT – SUNDAY, APRIL 5 – 10AM

Kids of all ages are invited to gather on the labyrinth after church for an Easter Egg Hunt.

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