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Greeting

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

and also with you.

Welcome and Introduction

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

The Collects of Maundy Thursday
God our Father,

you have invited us to share in the supper which your Son gave to his Church to proclaim his death until he comes:

may he nourish us by his presence, and unite us in his love; who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Almighty God,
at the Last Supper your Son Jesus
Christ
washed the disciples' feet
and commanded them to love one
another.
Give us humility and obedience to be
servants of others

servants of others
as he was the servant of all;
who gave up his life and died for us,
yet is alive and reigns with you and
the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen

The Gradual Hymn - No. 699 Hail Gladdening Light (Sebasté)

Hail, gladdening Light, of his pure glory poured, who is immortal Father, heavenly blessed, Holiest of holies, Jesu Christ our Lord.

Now we are come to the sun's hour of rest,

the lights of evening round us shine: we hymn the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit divine.

Worthiest are thou at all time to be sung with undefiled tongue, Son of our God, giver of life alone; therefore in all the world thy glories, Lord, they own.

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

Hear the Gospel according to John, chapter 13, beginning at the 1^{st} verse.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

13Now 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.'

12 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. 31 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'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Hymn No. 399 (Folksong)

[Verses 1 and 2]

An upper room did our Lord prepare for those he loved until the end: and his disciples still gather there to celebrate their Risen Friend.

A lasting gift Jesus gave his own: to share his bread, his loving cup. Whatever burdens may bow us down, he by his Cross shall lift us up.

Reflection

Hymn No. 399 (Folksong)

[Verses 3and 4]

And after Supper, he washed their feet

for service, too, is sacrament.

In him our joy shall be made complete

sent out to serve, as he was sent.

No end there is! We depart in peace, he loves beyond our uttermost: in every room in our Father's house he will be there, as Lord and host.

The Intercessions

Merciful Father, accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Peace (please stand)

The Introduction to the Peace for Passiontide and Holy Week
Now in union with Christ Jesus you who were once far off have been brought near through the shedding of Christ's blood; for he is our peace.

Ephesians 2: 17

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

<u>The Offertory Hymn - No. 423</u> (Slane 2)

Jesus, our Master, on the night that they came to take you to prison, to death and to shame, you called to your table the friends that you knew, and asked them to do this in remembrance of you.

Still through the ages your new friends draw near, and know when they do so that you will be here; we know you are present, though just out of view, to meet those who gather in remembrance of you.

When it is over, and all gone away, come back to our thoughts for the rest of the day, and stay with us always, who met here to do the thing you commanded, in remembrance of you.

THE MINISTRY OF THE SACRAMENT

Christ, our passover has been sacrificed for us, therefore let us celebrate the feast.

May the God of Last Suppers be with you.

And also with you.

For each of the people Jesus met, and for us gathered here, and online, Jesus says: 'I love you; you are part of the kingdom's story.

All your stories, all our stories, come together here in bread and wine and the Table of redemption, and all are

Lord Jesus, we pause at this table because all stories and all people are welcome here...

Silent Pause

welcome...

Promise seems to fragile now, hope seems much thinner. We are overwhelmed, and we cannot find the words we need, the questions in our minds are too great, the future is too 'unknowable'. All we have is silence.

Silent Pause

Yet, here we no longer need words. We see in the broken bread and the poured wine, much more than words can convey, and so we break bread with you and share wine with you tonight, and we use the only words left, the angels' song that we might believe through this night:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of towels and basins. Heaven and earth are crammed with your glory. Hosanna in every nook and cranny.

Blessed is the one who owns Gods' name, hosanna in the highest!

Now that the hour is come, Send your Spirit upon the gifts of the bread and the cup.

Come, Lord Jesus, break the bread for us, and so on the night that he was betrayed he took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke 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.

Come, Lord Jesus, pour the wine for us, and so, in the same way, after supper he took the cup; and when he had given thanks to you, he gave it to them, saying, Drink this, all of you, for this is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father...

The Breaking of the Bread
Jesus' disciples recognised him in the breaking of the bread:
may we recognise him in our midst and in each other.



The Communion

The Prayers after Communion
Lord Jesus Christ,
in this wonderful sacrament
you have given us a memorial
of your passion.
Grant us so to reverence
the sacred mysteries of your body
and blood
that we may know within ourselves
the fruit of your redemption,
for you are alive and reign
with the Father and the Holy
Spirit,
one God. now and for ever. Amen

O God,

your Son Jesus Christ has left us this meal of bread and wine in which we share his body and his blood.

May we who celebrate this sign of his great love show in our lives the fruits of his redemption; who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

The Blessing

Christ draw you to himself and grant that you find in his cross a sure ground for faith, a firm support for hope, and the assurance of sins forgiven: and the Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be with each one of you and those whom you love, this night and for evermore.

Amen.

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Prayer 2004, from *The Soft Petals of Grace* by
Thom M Shuman and from *Spring* by Ruth
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Hymn No. 227 (Man of Sorrows)

Man of sorrows! What a name for the Son of God, who came ruined sinners to reclaim:

Alleluia! What a Saviour!

Mocked by insults harsh and crude, in my place condemned he stood; sealed my pardon with his blood:

Alleluia! What a Saviour!

Guilty, helpless, lost were we: blameless Lamb of God was he, sacrificed to set us free: Alleluia! What a Saviour!

He was lifted up to die:
'It is finished' was his cry;
now in heaven exalted high:
Alleluia! What a Saviour!

When he comes, our glorious king, all his ransomed home to bring; then again this song we'll sing:

Alleluia! What a Saviour!