

**ST CUTHBERT'S
SCOTTISH EPISCOPAL CHURCH
COLINTON**

MAUNDY THURSDAY

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Welcome to the service.

PREPARATION

A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another as I have loved you.

Hymn 378 – Jesus calls us here to meet him.

Please stand

COLLECT FOR PURITY

**Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

God is love and we are God's children.
There is no room for fear in love.
We love because God loved us first.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith.

Please sit

God our Father, we confess to you and to our fellow members in the body of Christ that we have sinned in thought, word and deed, and in what we have failed to do. We are truly sorry. Forgive us our sins, and deliver us from the power of evil. For the sake of your Son who died for us, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

God, who is both power and love,
forgive us and free us from our sins
heal and strengthen us by the Spirit
and raise us to new life in Christ our Lord.
Amen.

GLORIA

***Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the highest,
Glory to God in the highest
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.***

***Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the highest,
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us;***

**you are seated at the right hand of the Father;
receive our prayer.**

***Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the highest,***

**For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.**

***Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the highest.***

COLLECT OF THE DAY

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, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: 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 neighbour 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 judgements: 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.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

For 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.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN 4 – A new commandment

Please stand

GOSPEL: John 13:1-17, 31b-35

Hear the good news of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to Christ our Saviour

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.’

Give thanks to the Lord for this glorious Gospel.
Praise to Christ our Lord.

A FEW WORDS

A SYMBOLIC WASHING OF FEET

INTERCESSIONS

THE PEACE

Please stand

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of God's peace.

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

Offertory Hymn 91 – Brother, sister, let me serve you

Please stand

Let us present our offerings to the Lord.

**Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory,
the splendour, and the majesty; for everything in
heaven and on earth is yours. All things come from you,
and of your own we give you.**

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.

Worship and praise belong to you,

Maker of light and darkness.

Your wisdom draws beauty from chaos,

brings a harvest out of sorrow

and leads the exiles home.

In Christ your Son enemies are reconciled,

debts forgiven and strangers made welcome.

Your Spirit frees us to live as sons and daughters

in our Father's house.

We who by Christ's power follow the way of the Cross,
sharing the joy of his obedience, now offer you our praise,
with angels and archangels and the whole company of
heaven singing the hymn of your unending glory:

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.

Glory and thanksgiving be to you, most loving Father,
for Christ in whom the world is reconciled.

Lifted on the Cross, his suffering and forgiveness
spanned the gulf our sins had made. Through that dark
struggle death was swallowed up in victory, that life and
light might reign.

Before he was given up to suffering and death, recalling
the night of Israel's release, the night in which the sons of
Egypt died, your Chosen One, himself the First-Born, freely
offered his life.

At supper with his disciples he took bread and offered you
thanks. He broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying:

"Take, eat. This is my Body: it is broken for you."

At supper, he took the cup, he offered you thanks, and
gave it to them saying:

"Drink this, all of you. This is my Blood of the new
covenant; it is poured out for you, and for all, that sins
may be forgiven. Do this in remembrance of me."

**We now obey your Son's command. We recall his blessed
passion and death, his glorious resurrection and
ascension; and we look for the coming of his Kingdom.
Made one with him, we offer you these gifts and with
them ourselves, a single, holy, living sacrifice.**

Hear us, most merciful Father, and send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this bread and this wine, that, overshadowed by that life-giving power, they may be the Body and Blood of your Son, and we may be kindled with the fire of your love and renewed for the service of your Kingdom.

Help us, who are baptised into the fellowship of Christ's Body to live and work to your praise and glory; may we grow together in unity and love until at last, in your new creation, we enter into our heritage in the company of the Virgin Mary, the apostles, and prophets, St Cuthbert and of all our brothers and sisters living and departed.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be to you, Lord of all ages, world without end.

Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The living bread is broken for the life of the world.

Lord, unite us in this sign.

LORD'S PRAYER

As our Saviour Christ has commanded and taught us, we are bold to say:

**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,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

Most merciful Lord, your love compels us to come in. Our hands were unclean, our hearts were unprepared; we were not fit even to eat the crumbs from under your table. But you, Lord, are the God of our salvation, and share your bread with sinners. So cleanse and feed us with the precious body and blood of your Son, that he may live in us and we in him; and that we, with the whole company of Christ, may sit and eat in your kingdom. Amen.

COMMUNION

**Lamb of God; you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God; you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God; you take away the sins of the world:
Grant us peace.**

INVITATION

The gifts of God for the people of God.
All are welcome to receive.

*All are welcome to receive Communion, or if you would
prefer, please come to the altar rail for a blessing.*

THANKSGIVING AND SENDING OUT

Give thanks to our gracious God.
Whose mercy endures for ever.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Holy God, source of all love, on the night of his betrayal Jesus gave his disciples a new commandment to love one another as he loved them. Write this commandment in our hearts; give us the will to serve others as he was the servant of all, who gave his life and died for us, yet is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Hymn 35 – An upper room did our Lord prepare

Please stand

CONCLUSION

The Stripping of the Altar

The choir will sing ‘In an upper room’ (Chopin), while the holy table and the sanctuary are stripped bare. The stripping of the altar reminds us how Jesus was stripped of clothing and friends, and was left naked and vulnerable with nothing to protect him from the pain to come.

Ministers and people depart in silence.