



MAUNDY THURSDAY
HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II
and the STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR
April 17, 2025 at 7:00 PM

WELCOME



TO ST. JAMES'S

Parking is available in our parking lot and across Walden at Santander Bank.

Hearing devices are available at both entrances to the church.

St. James's is a vibrant, inclusive, fun-loving, child-friendly community of faith. No matter where you are in your journey, we welcome you to join us on ours.

In this service of Holy Eucharist we give thanks to God and hear the Good News of Jesus Christ proclaimed. Educational programs afford parishioners of all ages the opportunity to engage their own beliefs and practices as well as those of others.

Empowered by God we go forth into the wider world to serve others in our lives, schools, and workplaces.

INTROIT Chorale on Drop, Drop, Slow Tears Vincent Persichetti (1915-1987)

1 Drop, drop, slow tears, and bathe those beauteous feet, which brought from heaven the news and Prince of Peace.

2 Cease not, wet eyes, his mercies to entreat; to cry for vengeance sin doth never cease.

3 In your deep floods drown all my faults and fears; nor let his eye see sin, but through my tears.

Small ensemble: Lindsay Fawber, Mary Ann Haar, Mara Suttman-Lea, John Waterman, David Byrne

OPENING HYMN

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

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

Title: Stay with me [Noho pu]

Words: Matthew 26, tr. Malcolm Naea Chun (b. 1954)

Music: Jacques Berthier (1923-1994)

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OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be the God of our salvation:

People **Who bears our burdens and forgives our sins.**

Celebrant Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: 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.**

KYRIE

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up -

on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -

on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -

on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Title: The Holy Eucharist I, Lord have mercy upon us: Kyrie

Music: From Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena, Healey Willan (1880-1968)

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COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant 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, forever and ever.
Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

HEBREW SCRIPTURE

Exodus 12:1-14

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. 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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 116:1, 10-17 (*sung by the choir*)

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.

THE EPISTLE

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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN (*sung three times*)

Taizé Chant

Descant

U - bi ca - ri - tas et a - mor,
 Ai - a nō e loa'a ke a - lo - ha

A

U - bi ca - ri - tas et a - mor,
 Ai - a nō e loa'a ke a - lo - ha

u - bi ca - ri - tas De - us i - bi est.
 Ai - a nō e loa'a ke A - kua nō.

B

u - bi ca - ri - tas De - us i ³ - bi est.
 Ai - a nō e loa'a ke A - kua nō.

Translation: Where true charity and love abide, God is there.

Title: Ubi Caritas, et amor (Where true charity and love abide, God is there.)

Music: Malcolm Naëa Chum

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THE HOLY 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. "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."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, O Christ.**

The People are seated.

THE HOMILY

The Rev. Robert M. Lofberg

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader Gracious God, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

People **That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for Sean, our presiding bishop, Jeff and Laura, our bishops,
and for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world,
Remembering especially the President of the United States;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

In the silence we invite you to offer your own prayers silently or aloud.

The celebrant adds a concluding collect.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Celebrant God has promised forgiveness to all who truly repent, turn to Christ in faith, and are themselves forgiving. In silence we call to mind our sins.

Silence.

Celebrant Let us confess our sins.

People **Merciful God, we have sinned in what we have thought and said, in the wrong we have done, and in the good we have not done. We have sinned in**

ignorance: we have sinned in weakness: we have sinned through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry. We repent and turn to you Forgive us, for our Saviour Christ's sake, and renew our lives to the glory of your name. Amen.

Celebrant Through the cross of Christ, God have mercy on you, pardon you and set you free. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. God strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in life eternal.

People **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

We greet one another in the name of Christ.

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

All are welcome to receive communion.

AT THE OFFERTORY

Ubi Caritas

Maurice Duruflé (1902-1986)

Translation: Where true charity and love dwell, God himself is there.

Since the love of Christ has joined us in one body, Let us all rejoice and be glad now and always. And as we hear and love the living God, So let us in sincerity love all people.

Celebrant God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant continues:

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, God Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. 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:

Celebrant and People

**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.**

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life. On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ 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 he 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 many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, according to his command, O God,

Celebrant and People

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our

Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him and with him and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Celebrant As Jesus taught us, we now pray:

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

**Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.**

THE INVITATION

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

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

THE STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR

Psalm 22 is read by the celebrant during this time. The people kneel.

There is no final blessing or dismissal. The People leave in silence.

PARTICIPANTS IN THE LITURGY

CELEBRANT – The Rev. Robert C. Hooper, III

PREACHER – The Rev. Robert M. Lofberg

ORGANIST & DIRECTOR OF MUSIC – Michelle Horsley

THE ST. JAMES'S CHOIR

LECTOR & INTERCESSOR – Ted Newton

ALTAR GUILD – Elizabeth Gallegos

ON THE COVER – Washing of the Feet and the Last Supper

A painting of Altar of Siena Cathedral in 14th century



ST. JAMES'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

HOLY WEEK & EASTER SCHEDULE

Holy Wednesday, April 16

7:00am Holy Eucharist
followed by breakfast in the
Parish Room

Maundy Thursday, April 17

7:00pm Holy Eucharist followed by the
Stripping of the Altars

Good Friday, April 18

12:00pm Good Friday Liturgy
1:00pm New Testament Reading - Chapel
7:00pm Good Friday Liturgy w/Choir

Holy Saturday, April 19

9:00am Easter Prep in the church
7:30pm Easter Vigil at Christ Church
Cathedral, Hartford

Easter Sunday, April 20

10:00am Festal Eucharist followed
by Easter Egg Hunt for kids and
refreshments for all

WALK THE PATH OF JESUS

During Holy Week and Easter we remember and reenact the events that lead up to the death and resurrection of Jesus and celebrate the central tenant of our faith. Holy Week culminates on Easter Sunday, which celebrates Jesus' resurrection from the dead.

We hope you will join us for Holy Week services at St. James's. Experience the passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus through liturgy, music, and prayer.

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SERVICE SCHEDULE

SUNDAY EUCHARIST

8 a.m. in the chapel

9:30 a.m. in the church

WEDNESDAY EUCHARIST

7 a.m. in the chapel (*Breakfast served in the parish room afterwards*)

GOOD FRIDAY LITURGIES

12:00 & 7:00 p.m. in the church

EASTER SUNDAY

10:00 a.m. Festal Eucharist



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CLERGY

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