

MAUNDY THURSDAY

LOVE ONE ANOTHER



St. Matthews Church

WHERE COMMUNITY
GATHERS AND GROWS

April 14, 2022

Maundy Thursday

Thursday, April 14, 2022

(* indicates the assembly stands
** indicates singing is encouraged)

Gathering

- *Confession and Forgiveness p. 258
- *Hymn 708** *“Jesu, Jesus, Fill Us with Your Love”*
- *Greeting
- *Prayer of the Day
- Flute *“Après un rêve”* G. Fauré

Word

- First Reading Exodus 12:1-4 [5-10] 11-14
- Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19 (see page 4)
- Second Reading 1 Corinthians 11:23-26
- *Gospel Acclamation *“I give you a new commandment...”* p. 260
- *Gospel Reading John 13:1-17, 31b-35
- Reflection
- *Hymn of the Day 659** *“Will You Let Me Be Your Servant”*
- Footwashing
(A symbolic footwashing will take place during the singing of Ubi Caritas)
- *Hymn 642** *“Ubi Caritas”*
- *Prayers of Intercession
- *Peace

Meal

*Offering Hymn 188**	“Create in Me a Clean Heart”
*Great Thanksgiving**	p. 107
*Holy, Holy, Holy**	p. 108
*Thanksgiving at the Table	
*Lord’s Prayer	p. 112
*Lamb of God**	p. 112
*Table Blessing	
*Prayer after Communion	
Stripping of the Altar	p. 261
Psalm 22	

All Depart in Silence

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This evening our Lenten observance comes to an end, and we gather with Christians around the world to celebrate the Three Days of Jesus’ death and resurrection. Tonight we remember Christ’s last meal with his disciples, but the central focus is his commandment that we live out the promise embodied in this meal. As Jesus washed his disciples’ feet, so we are called to give and receive love in humble service to one another. Formed into a new body in Christ through this holy meal, we are transformed by the mercy we have received and carry it into the world. Departing worship in solemn silence, we anticipate the coming days.

Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19

¹I love the LORD, who has ^lheard my voice,
and listened to my ^lsupplication,
²for the LORD has given ^lear to me
whenev- ^ler I called.

¹²How shall I re- ^lpay the LORD
for all the good things God has ^ldone for me?

¹³I will lift the cup ^lof salvation
and call on the name ^lof the LORD.

¹⁴I will fulfill my vows ^lto the LORD
in the presence of ^lall God's people.

¹⁵Precious in your ^lsight, O LORD,
is the death ^lof your servants.

¹⁶O LORD, truly I ^lam your servant;

I am your servant, the child of your handmaid; you have freed me ^lfrom my
bonds.

¹⁷I will offer you the sacrifice ^lof thanksgiving
and call upon the name ^lof the LORD.

¹⁸I will fulfill my vows ^lto the LORD
in the presence of ^lall God's people,

¹⁹in the courts of ^lthe LORD's house,
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. ^lHallelujah!

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Church Fire Plan For everyone's awareness, a copy of the Church Fire Plan for safe exit from the Sanctuary appears in the back of the worship books. Please take a moment to review for your own safety.

Worship Notes

In our prayers: John, Susan, Marie, Grace, Maureen, Frank and Bernice.

Communion: For those wanting to receive, you will be given both bread and wine tonight for Communion. You will be ushered to the front starting with the side aisles. Leave 2 meters distance between you and the person ahead of you. Stop 2 meters from the pastor, at which point the pastor will say, "The body of Christ given for you." Step closer to the pastor and a wafer will be dropped into your outstretched hands with tongs, taking care not to touch you. The wine will be set up in individual cups on tables. Please take a cup and your wafer to consume near to the baptismal area. The cups may be disposed of in a basket on the front pew. If you do not want to partake in the wine, you are welcome to take the wafer back to your pew.

Those seated on the side aisles will come up first, followed by those on the centre aisles. Those in the balconies can come whenever they want (although not using the radio tower staircase). The directional flow will stay the same (up the front aisle, and back down the side aisles). Those on the piano side aisle must circle around the pulpit side to return to their pew as the **choir area is off-limits.**

Alternately, you may choose to bring your own bread and wine and consume these in your seat (at the same time as those at home are invited to).

General Announcements

Church Parking. Members should now park either at our main lot beside the church or in the Parking Garage on Charles Street. Parking at the garage is free on Sundays. Please consider using the parking garage if you are able, in

order to keep space available at the 54 Benton St. parking lot for those who need to park closer. Thank you for understanding!

Leading Worship Today

Minister: Rev. Carey Meadows-Helmer

Assisting Minister: Scott Kuschnereit

Diaconal Minister of Music : Deacon Scott Knarr

Lector: John Heil

Flute: Pauline Finch

Singers: Julia Crnko, Lana Moses

Radio: Gary Pootz

Building Monitor: Don Robins (519-502-2099)

Important Information for today's worship

- **Masks:** According to our church's current protocols, wearing a mask indoors is mandatory.
- **Personal belongings:** You may use the basement coat racks, but please use the Church Street side staircase to descend back down (follow the arrows). Please still exit via the left (Charles St.) staircase and doors.
- **Offering:** Please place your offering in one of the offering plates upon leaving.
- **The Peace** will be shared without physical contact
- **Guides to Worship:** Please place these in the recycling bins in the Narthex upon leaving, or take them home.
- **Exiting:** At the end of the service, all will remain in place until the end of the postlude. Then, following the ushers' guidance, those in the back pews will exit first, going directly out the only official exit: the Benton parking lot doors. Please do not mingle inside, and maintain distancing until you are in

the parking lot. We encourage you to mingle outside while maintaining physical distancing.

- **Washrooms:** Are not sanitized after each usage. Please only use the ones in the Sanctuary basement, follow all signage and maintain physical distancing.
- **Coffee Hour** is cancelled until further notice.
- **Mingling:** Please do not mingle while indoors and respect 2 metre physical distancing at all times. Please refrain from shaking hands or other physical contact with people outside your social bubble.
- **Pastors** will not be greeting at the door or mingling indoors, but will make an effort to come outside asap after the service. If you wish to talk to them, best to call or email at another time. An in-person meeting may be scheduled.
- **Water coolers** are currently disconnected.
- **Property Cleaning and Sanitizing:** Will be increased throughout this time
- **Thank you for helping to keep all of us as safe as possible during this pandemic, by following these directions!**

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