



Maundy Thursday
April 2, 2026, 5:30 p.m.

Welcome!

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive communion. You may receive from the common cup by drinking directly from the cup or handing the host to the Chalice (the person giving you the cup). They will then dip the host in the wine and place it in your hand. You may also choose to just consume the bread and cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you do not wish to receive the wine.

Listening assistance devices are available – ask any usher.

Children's worship bulletins and bags are located in the vestibules.

PRELUDE

Drop Drop, Slow Tears

Leo Sowerby

PROCESSIONAL (*stand as able*)

1982 Hymnal #171

Go to Dark Gethsemane

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People ***His mercy endures for ever.***

THE COLLECT

BCP 357

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People ***And also with you.***

Celebrant Let us pray.

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, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

THE WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST LESSON (*seated*)

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.***

THE RESPONSE (*together*)

Psalm 116:1,10-17



I will lift up the cup of sal - va - tion and call on the name of the Lord.

¹ I love the Lord, because he has heard the voice of my supplication,
because he has inclined his ear to me whenever I called up/on him.

¹⁰ How shall I repay the Lord
for all the good things he has done for me?

¹¹ I will lift up the cup of salvation
and call upon the Name of the Lord.

¹² I will fulfill my vows to the Lord
in the presence of all his people.

REFRAIN

¹³ Precious in the sight of the Lord
is the death of his servants.

¹⁴ O Lord, I am your servant;
I am your servant and the child of your handmaid;
you have freed me from my bonds.

¹⁵ I will offer you the sacrifice of thanks giving
and call upon the Name of the Lord.

REFRAIN

¹⁶ I will fulfill my vows to the Lord
in the presence of all his people,

¹⁷ In the courts of the Lord's house,
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

REFRAIN

THE SECOND LESSON

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 (*stand as able*)

1982 Hymnal #158

Ah Holy Jesus

THE GOSPEL LESSON (*remain standing*)

John 13:1-17,31b-35

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

People ***Glory to you, Lord Christ.***

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."

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

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

SERMON

The Rev. Lisa Erdeljon

A brief silence is observed following the sermon.

CEREMONY OF THE WASHING OF THE FEET

Celebrant Fellow servants of our Lord 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 life of the Kingdom of God come not by power, authority, or even miracle, but by such lowly service. We all need to remember his example, but none stand more in need of this reminder than those whom the Lord has called to the ordained ministry.

Therefore, I invite you who share in the royal priesthood of Christ, to come forward, that I may recall whose servant I am by following the example of my Master. But come remembering his admonition that what will be done for you is also to be done by you to others, for "a servant is not greater than his master, nor is one who is sent greater than the one who sent him. If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them."

This remembrance of Jesus' act of humble service brings us grace - both in receiving and in giving the gift of footwashing. You are invited to come forward and kneel first, to wash feet, and then sit and have your feet washed. The practice is to use the pitcher to pour water on both feet, getting each foot completely wet. Then, use a towel to dry each foot, placing the dirty towel in the provide bin.

After the washing of feet, the celebrant says the following words

Celebrant The Lord Jesus, after he had supped with his disciples and had washed their feet, said to them, “Do you know what I, your Lord and Master, have done to you? I have given you an example, that you should do as I have done.”

People ***Peace is my last gift to you, my own peace I now leave with you; peace which the world cannot give, I give to you.***

Celebrant I give you a new commandment: Love one another as I have loved you.

People ***Peace is my last gift to you, my own peace I now leave with you; peace which the world cannot give, I give to you.***

Celebrant By this shall the world know that you are my disciples: That you have love for one another.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE—FORM I

BCP 383

(remain standing or kneel as able)

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying, “Lord, have mercy.”

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this city, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For seasonable weather, and for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who travel on land, on water, or in the air, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the absolution and remission of our sins and offenses, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Defend us, deliver us, and in thy compassion protect us, O Lord, by thy grace.

Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of St. John and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

To thee, O Lord our God.

Silence

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

CONFESSION (*kneeling*)**BCP 360**

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

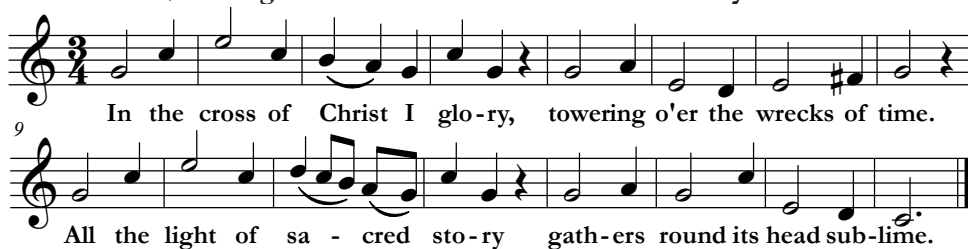
ABSOLUTION (*kneeling*)**BCP 360****THE PEACE****BCP 360**

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (*seated*)**OFFERTORY MUSIC** *Lacrymosa (Requiem)* **W. A. Mozart**

Any offering not designated for a pledge will support SAME (So All May Eat) at Hampton Baptist Church, through the Virginia Peninsula Foodbank.

SAME is an interfaith ministry serving neighbors who are without homes or living in poverty, and St. John's Church is grateful to share in this work.

DOXOLOGY (*standing*)**1982 Hymnal #441 v1**


In the cross of Christ I glo-ry, towering o'er the wrecks of time.
 All the light of sa - cred sto-ry gath-ers round its head sub-lime.

The Great Thanksgiving**EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER D****BCP 372**

Celebrant The Lord 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 him thanks and praise.***

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever.

Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,

Sanctus

Schubert

9 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might.

17 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might.

25 Hea - ven and earth are full, — full — of your glo - ry, Ho -

33 san - na in the high - est Ho - san - na in the high - est.

41 Blessed is he who comes — in the name of the Lord. — Ho -

san - na in the high - est, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit,

born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

*All We praise you, we bless you,
we give thanks to you,
and we pray to you, Lord our God.*

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with St. John and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. *AMEN.*

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*together*)

BCP 364

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

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD (*Silence is kept*)

BCP 364

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People *Therefore let us keep the feast.*

THE DISTRIBUTION

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER (*kneel or stand as able*)

BCP 365

*Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as
living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed
us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send
us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through
Christ our Lord. Amen.*

STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR

Celebrant They divide my garments among them, they cast lots for
my clothing.

*Piece by piece the altar is stripped and the hangings are removed,
underlining our sense of Christ being abandoned at his time of death.*

*The lights are gradually lowered as everything is removed,
until the church is in near darkness. As one final act, the clergy washes the
altar, preparing it for Christ's final act of dying on the cross.*

Celebrant They divide my garments among them, they cast lots for
my clothing.

All depart in silence. There is no dismissal at this service.

PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S SERVICE

LEMs Linda Serwatka, Elizabeth Zimmerman

Ushers Warren Coleman, Greg Brauer

Altar Guild Susan Edmonson, Kay Perry, Linda McMahon

Acolyte Master Linda McMahon

Organist Deborah Carr

Special Music St. John's Choir

St. John's Observes

HOLY WEEK

Friday, April 3, 12 Noon

Good Friday

Behold the cross. Hear the Passion. Keep the silence.

Saturday, April 4, 7:30 p.m.

Easter Vigil

Light the fire. Tell the story. Celebrate the Resurrection.

Sunday, April 5

Easter Sunday

Ring the bells. Sing the joy. Proclaim the Resurrection.

9 a.m.: Family Service

A shorter, child-focused celebration of Easter—simple, joyful, and designed for all ages to hear the story and share in the Resurrection.

10a.m.: Easter Egg Hunt

All children fifth grade and younger are welcome to participate. Have your children bring a basket to collect the eggs!

11a.m.: High Holy Mass

A full, festive celebration of Easter with choir, complete with the Alleluia Chorus and all the joy of the Resurrection.

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