



CHRIST CHURCH

THE ANGLICAN/EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN VIENNA

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

John 13:34

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

Our Lord Jesus Christ says:

“If you love me, keep my commandments.”

John 14:15

“Unless I wash you, you have no part with me.”

John 13:8

Let us confess to almighty God our sins against his love.
Father eternal, giver of light and grace,
we have sinned against you and against our neighbour,
in what we have thought, in what we have said and done,
through ignorance, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We have wounded your love, and marred your image in us.
We are sorry and ashamed, and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us,
forgive us all that is past; and lead us out from darkness
to walk as children of light. Amen

Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

ABSOLUTION

Almighty God,
who forgives all who truly repent,
have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in life eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

GLORIA

During the solo singing of the Gloria (Christina Stevens) hand bells are rung.

Glory be to God on high,
and in earth peace, good will towards men.
We praise thee, we bless thee,
we worship thee, we glorify thee,
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,
O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father almighty.
O Lord, the only-begotten Son Jesu Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,
have mercy upon us.
For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord;
thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,
art most high in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

COLLECT

The celebrant prays the collect set for the day.

God our Father,
your Son Jesus Christ was obedient to the end
and drank the cup prepared for him:
may we who share his table
watch with him through the night of suffering
and be faithful.

Amen.

LESSON

Exodus 12:1-4, 11-14

A reading from the book of Exodus:

¹ The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: ² This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. ³ 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. ⁴ 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.

¹¹ 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. ¹² 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. ¹³ 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. ¹⁴ 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.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

INTERCESSIONS

In the power of the Spirit let us pray to the Father through Christ the Saviour of the World.

Father, on this, the night he was betrayed, your Son Jesus Christ washed his disciples' feet. We commit ourselves to follow his example of love and service.
Lord, hear us
and humble us.

On this night, Christ prayed for his disciples to be one.
We pray for the unity of the Church . . .
Lord, hear us
and unite us.

On this night, Christ prayed for those who were to believe through his disciples' message. We pray for the mission of your Church . . .
Lord, hear us
and renew our zeal.

On this night, Christ commanded his disciples to love, but suffered rejection himself. We pray for the rejected and unloved . . .
Lord, hear us
and fill us with your love.

On this night, Christ reminded his disciples that if the world hated them it hated him first. We pray for those who are persecuted for their faith . . .
Lord, hear us
and give us your peace.

THE PEACE

The celebrant introduces the Peace with a suitable sentence:

Jesus says: 'Peace I leave you; my peace I give you. Do not let your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.'

The peace of the Lord be always with you,
and also with you.
Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

MUSIC

PSALM

Psalm 116.10-19

**The cup of blessing which we bless,
is it not a sharing of the blood of Christ?**

10 I kept my faith, even when I said,
'I am greatly afflicted';

11 I said in my consternation,
'Everyone is a liar.'

**The cup of blessing which we bless,
is it not a sharing of the blood of Christ?**

13 I will lift up the cup of salvation
and call on the name of the Lord,

14 I will pay my vows to the Lord
in the presence of all his people.

**The cup of blessing which we bless,
is it not a sharing of the blood of Christ?**

15 Precious in the sight of the Lord
is the death of his faithful ones.

16 O Lord, I am your servant;
I am your servant, the child of your serving-maid.
You have loosed my bonds.

**The cup of blessing which we bless,
is it not a sharing of the blood of Christ?**

17 I will offer to you a thanksgiving sacrifice
and call on the name of the Lord.

18 I will pay my vows to the Lord
in the presence of all his people,

19 in the courts of the house of the Lord,
in your midst, O Jerusalem.
Praise the Lord!

**The cup of blessing which we bless,
is it not a sharing of the blood of Christ?**

LESSON

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

A reading from Paul's First Epistles to the Corinthians:

²³ 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, ²⁴ 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.' ²⁵ 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.' ²⁶ For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.
I give you a new commandment, says the Lord:
Love one another as I have loved you.
Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

THE GOSPEL

John 13:1-17, 31b-35

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John:
Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ 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. ² The devil had already put it into the heart

of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper ³ Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, ⁴ got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. ⁵ 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. ⁶ He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, 'Lord, are you going to wash my feet?' ⁷ Jesus answered, 'You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand.' ⁸ Peter said to him, 'You will never wash my feet.' Jesus answered, 'Unless I wash you, you have no share with me.' ⁹ Simon Peter said to him, 'Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!' ¹⁰ 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.' ¹¹ 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?' ¹³ You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. ¹⁴ So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. ¹⁵ For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. ¹⁶ Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. ¹⁷ 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. ³² If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. ³³ 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." ³⁴ I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵ 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, O Christ.

THE SERMON

THE WASHING OF THE DISCIPLES' FEET

This year, one person on behalf of the whole community has been invited to have their feet washed.

MUSIC

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us
that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters,
we do also for you:
give us the will to be the servant of others
as you were the servant of all,
and gave up your life and died for us,
but are alive and reign with Father and the Holy Spirit
now and for ever.

Amen.

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