

Maundy Thursday

April 17, 2025
6:00 p.m.



**CHRIST CHURCH
EPISCOPAL**

THE MOTHER CHURCH OF GEORGIA
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Welcome to Christ Church. This evening's service follows the liturgy for Maundy Thursday, beginning on page 272 of the red *Book of Common Prayer* ("BCP"). The music may be found in the blue *Hymnal 1982*; numbers beginning with "S-" are service music, located at the front of the hymnal.

Our celebrant this evening is the Rev. Cathy Zappa,
and our preacher is the Rev. Dr. Bertice Berry.

Tonight's Maundy Thursday liturgy commemorates Jesus' Last Supper, institution of the Eucharist, washing of the disciples' feet, and new commandment (*mandatum novum*) to love one another as he has loved us.

This service includes the opportunity to participate in the reenactment of this "new commandment" with a symbolic footwashing, a practice that goes back at least to the 4th century. During the choral anthem *Ubi caritas*, you may choose to come forward, by yourself or with a partner, to one of the two stations prepared with water, a basin, and towels.

After the *Mandatum*, we gather with Christ at the Lord's Table for Holy Eucharist. On this night when Jesus prayed for the unity of all his disciples, we use Eucharistic Prayer D, which is based on one of the oldest surviving eucharistic liturgies of the early church, used in its current form by churches across the world. The Prayers of the People, which normally follow the Creed, are included in this early form.

Following Eucharist and the Postcommunion Prayer, the chancel area is made bare as we prepare to enter into tomorrow's Good Friday liturgies.



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SAVANNAH

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Entrance Rite

Prelude *Fantasia on 'Ubi Caritas'* Brenda Portman (b. 1980)

Processional Hymnal 446

Praise to the Holiest in the height Newman

Opening Acclamation BCP 351

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

All **His mercy endures for ever.**

Collect for Purity BCP 355

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 Eleison Hymnal S-86

from *New Plainsong Mass* David Hurd (b. 1950)

Collect of the Day

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

First Lesson

Exodus 12:1–4, 11–14

Reader A reading from the Book of Exodus.

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. 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 *Dilexi, quoniam* **BCP 759**

Sung by the choir. chant: Henry Walford Davies (1869–1941)

- 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 upon 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.
- 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 thanksgiving *
 and call upon the Name of the Lord.
- 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.

Epistle

1 Corinthians 11:23–26

Reader A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

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

An upper room did our Lord prepare


O Waly Waly




1. An up - per room did our Lord pre - pare
2. A last - ing gift Je - sus gave his own:
3. And af - ter sup - per he washed their feet,
4. No end there is! We de - part in peace,



for those he loved un - til the end:
to share his bread, his lov - ing cup.
for ser - vice, too, is sac - ra - ment.
he loves be - yond the ut - ter - most:



and his dis - ci - ples still gath - er there
What - ev - er bur - dens may bow us down,
In Christ our joy shall be made com - plete:
in ev - ery room in our Fa - ther's house



to ce - le - brate their ris - en Friend.
he by his cross shall lift us up.
sent out to serve, as he was sent.
Christ will be there, as Lord and Host.

Holy Gospel

John 13:1–17, 31b–35

Deacon 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.”

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Homily

The Rev. Dr. Bertice Berry, *Deacon*

The Mandatum

All stand. The Celebrant says

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.”

All **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.

All **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.

All sit or kneel. You may spend this time in prayer, or you may come forward to participate in the foot washing as a sign of love and service. You may come forward with a neighbor to any available basin, then wash their feet by pouring water over them and then drying them with one of the towels provided. Then they may wash your feet. Alternatively, you may come forward by yourself to participate in foot washing with a deacon.

Anthem at the Foot Washing

Ubi caritas

Maurice Duruflé (1902–1986)

Sung in Latin. Where charity and love are, God is there. Christ's love has gathered us into one. Let us rejoice and be pleased in Him. Let us fear, and let us love the living God. And may we love each other with a sincere heart. Amen.

When the washing of feet is concluded, all stand.

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

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

The Holy Communion

Offertory *If ye love me*

Thomas Tallis (ca. 1505–1585)

If ye love me, keep my commandments.
And I will pray the Father,
And He shall give you another comforter,
That He may 'bide with you forever;
E'en the sp'rit of truth. (*John 14:15–17*)

Presentation of the Gifts

Hymnal 474, v. 4

Were the whole realm of nature mine,
that were an offering far too small;
love so amazing, so divine,
demands my soul, my life, my all.

The Great Thanksgiving, *Eucharistic Prayer D*

BCP 372

Sanctus & Benedictus

Hymnal S-124

from *New Plainsong Mass*

D. Hurd

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

The Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem, *Agnus Dei*
from *New Plainsong Mass*

Hymnal S-161
D. Hurd

All Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion. You may kneel or stand at the altar rail. Please let an usher know if you need to receive from your pew. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. To receive a blessing, you may cross your arms over your chest.

Hymn at Communion
Humbly I adore thee

Hymnal 314
Adoro devote

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant and People

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.

The Stripping of the Altar

Choral Anthem *Miserere mei, Deus* Gregorio Allegri (ca. 1582–1652)

The text of this anthem is Psalm 51, found on page 266 of the *Book of Common Prayer*.

Closing Reading

Matthew 26:47–56

*The congregation leaves the church and departs in silence.
Those who wish to remain in the church for silent prayer may do so.*



CHRIST CHURCH

Holy Week Services

GOOD FRIDAY

Friday, April 18, 2025

12:00 Noon | 6:00 p.m.

3:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY

THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER

Saturday, April 19, 2025

8:00 p.m.

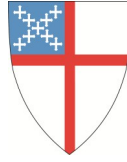
EASTER DAY

THE FEAST OF THE RESURRECTION

Sunday, April 20, 2025

10:30 a.m.

9:30 a.m. Egg Hunt at the Parish House



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The Right Reverend Frank S. Logue, *Bishop of Georgia*

The Reverend Cathy Zappa, *Interim Rector*

The Reverend Samantha K. McKean, *Associate Rector*

The Reverend Patricia Rhoads Davis, *Deacon*

The Reverend Dr. Bertice Berry, *Deacon*

George H. Fergus, *Director of Music*

John Audette, *Director of Children and Youth Ministries*

Suzanne Phillips Smith, *Parish Administrator*

Charles L. Epps, *Sexton*

The Reverend Canon Todd D. Smelser, *Priest Associate*

The Reverend Liam G. Collins, *Priest Associate*

The Reverend Richard "Max" Maxwell, *Priest Associate*

The Reverend David C. Seyle, *United Methodist Pastor-in-Residence*

Vestry

Washington C. Dender, *Senior Warden*; Paul H. Threlkeld, *Junior Warden*;

Lindsey A. Eberle, *Clerk of the Vestry*; Stephen R. Rilee, *Treasurer*;

Catherine M. Gussler, *Assistant Treasurer for Stewardship and Finance*;

Patton Dugas; William C. Gruver;

Elizabeth L. Macfadyen; Rosemary W. Mackey;

Richard C. Nelson; Paul D. Reddick; Sarah B. Smith;

Polly C. Webster; Susan H. Wetmore

Sundays

9:15 a.m. Nursery, located on the 2nd floor of the Parish House at 18 Abercorn

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

The Church building is located at 28 Bull Street, Savannah, Georgia 31401

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Christ Church, the "Mother Church of Georgia," was founded on February 12, 1733 and is a member of the Diocese of Georgia which, in turn, is one of 110 Dioceses which composes The Episcopal Church in the United States of America and abroad. The Episcopal Church is a constituent member of the Anglican Communion, a fellowship within the One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church of those duly constituted dioceses, provinces, and regional Churches in communion with the See of Canterbury. The fellowship upholds and propagates the historic Faith and Order as set forth in the Book of Common Prayer. The current church building was constructed in 1838 and is the third one on the original site.