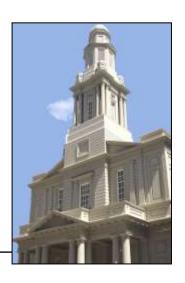
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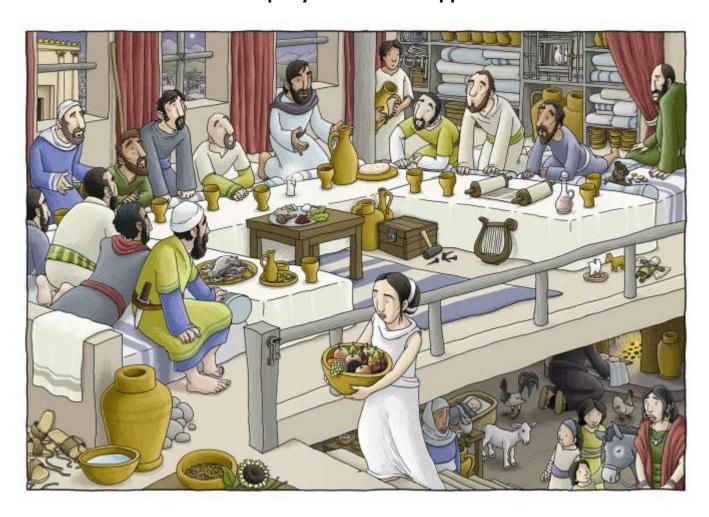
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ORDER OF SERVICE 28th March 2013



Maundy Thursday

We accompany Jesus to the Upper Room



Upper Room—Si Smith

Welcome to St Andrew's on The Terrace

Wherever you are on your faith's journey, wherever you have come from and wherever you are going to, whatever you believe, whatever you do not believe, you are welcome here.

Please join in the congregational responses printed in **bold italics**.

Please note your nearest fire exit.

The church and hall have been earthquake strengthened.

In an earthquake: drop, cover and hold.

WELCOME

The time is near. Our Lenten walk with Jesus approaches its ending – the moment of stark understanding of power and powerlessness...

Tonight we remember the last meal Jesus shared with his friends.

CALL TO WORSHIP

On their own, the bread and wine are nothing.

To become a foretaste and a promise of love made real and a world made whole, they need a story and a blessing and a people who believe...

REFLECTIVE PRAYER

HYMN

(ii)

(i)
Christ, let us come with you to the upper room where the feast is laid, to the bread and wine where our peace is made -- Christ, let us come with you!

Teach us your serving love: to become as friends, to become as one that the world believe what your life has done --

teach us your serving love.

Christ, Let us come with you

Jesus, forgive us all that we use your name though we stand apart, we refuse your prayer to be one at heart -- Jesus, forgive us all.

(iii)

(iv)
Christ of the open hands,
you have brought us close
to be loved and fed,
you have touched our life,
now you walk ahead -Christ, let us come with you!

REMEMBERING THE COMMUNITY OF JESUS

They gathered in an upper room to share a meal.

And the names of the apostles were these:

Simon, called Peter; his brother Andrew;

James and his brother John - the beloved -

Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector;

James the son of Alphaeus; Thaddeus,

Simon the patriot, and Judas Iscariot.

There were women in the group too: Mary, called Magdalene, And Joanna, the wife of Herod's steward Chuza, and Susanna, and many others who provided for them out of their resources.

For the community around Jesus,
For the gospel light they lit and passed down,
We give thanks.

For those who went before us and passed the light onto us, Especially those we remember now,

We give thanks.

MEDITATION

The Heart's Journey

MUSIC *John 19: 41*

At the place where Jesus was crucified, there was a garden, and in the garden a new tomb, in which no one had ever been laid.

PRAYERS of CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Acknowledgement and Alienation

In small ways, in our busy lives

We confess that sometimes we close our ears to the voices of the many we close our eyes to the evidence of injustice all around us we close our mouths when we should speak up, speak out.

Unthinkingly

we flick to a less disturbing channel

drown out the anthems of the dispossessed

ignore the cries for justice sprayed on freshly-painted walls.

Sincerely

we resolve to do more, do better, be better to listen more intently, speak more patiently give generously of our gifts and time.

Ruefully

we confess we've once again got wrapped up in our smaller worlds ignored the bigger picture; just... not got around to it. Again.

And again we're sorry. Again we repent.

And again, we are forgiven.

We lay down the burden of things undone. We let go of the times we've taken shortcuts, treated earth as an infinite warehouse of resources; when we've settled for being less than we can be when we've lived for the moment, not in it.

We forgive each other. We forgive ourselves.

And again, we are forgiven.

Reconciliation & Homecoming

True love, divine love, is sure and steady, absorbing our hurt never deflected by it, accepting tragedy and redeeming it, involved with us, closer to us than breathing, exposed and vulnerable to everything we do.

True love, divine love, gladly accepts the truths of our hearts, runs with delight to embrace us, favours us at the banquet of joy.

Jesus embodied that love and calls us to embody it too. Aware of the gift of forgiveness, seeking to embody the Gospel of unconditional love, with the Spirit of Christ resonating within us, let us say, each to all, *I forgive you*

And let us hear clearly the word to the Body of Christ: *I forgive you.* So let us be assured that we are forgiven forgiven by our fellow-pilgrims, released from all that hurts us.

Amen. Thanks be to God.

TAIZÉ CHANT

Da Pacem Cordium (Give peace to every heart)

THE PEACE

We meet together to share this meal, may it express our love for one another our commitment to each other and point us beyond ourselves to the needs of the world.

The peace of God be with you.

And also with you.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

St Andrew's is an open community and all are invited to Christ's table. Wherever you are on your faith's journey, wherever you have come from and wherever you are going to, whatever you believe, whatever you do not believe, you are welcome to participate in the communion. This sacred meal is for all people.

COMMUNION PRAYER

We give great thanks for you, community of Jesus who sustained him in his life, who travelled the path with him, who supported him from your resources.

We give great thanks for you who reached to him for healing, who challenged him with questions, who shared your table with him, who claimed your place at his.

We give great thanks to you who drank in every word who told out his good news and touched him in his leaving and walked with him towards death.

And so, with thanksgiving and celebration we praise you

you, who found the stones of your life turned to bread the bitter cup of your sorrow turned to wine

Those whose names have been lost to the wind whose stories have been fragmented whose voices echo in the voices of the dispossessed today, calling us to listen

We remember you.

Jesus, on this night you took the loaf, made from grain harvested with sweat and oppression, beaten and sifted, ground and kneaded, baked and given with love – and declared it holy.

On this night, you took the cup, made from the careful harvest of fruit, crushed, filtered, fermented and poured with love – and declared it holy.

As we come again to that sacred night, that sacred meal

we also lift the bread, bless it, break it and claim that this bread is broken and this wine is poured and given with mystery and mercy.

You ask us to remember you – your body, your humanness, your life.

We remember.

SHARING THE BREAD AND WINE

The bread of life. The cup of blessing.

TAIZÉ CHANT

Eat this bread; drink this cup. Come to me and never be hungry. Eat this bread; drink this cup. Trust in me and you will not thirst.

PRAYERS FOR THE WORLD and LIGHTING CANDLES

those who are detained without trial

Holy wisdom of God tonight we recall the meal Jesus shared, and as we remember him and the community around him, we also remember his standing with those who are powerless and without justice.

And so tonight we pray for them —

those imprisoned for conscience or for faith those being tortured

children kidnapped as child soldiers those who have 'disappeared' those who are abused and exploited

those who are refugees those whose lives are in turmoil because of natural disasters those who lack food and shelter those left to die alone.

As Jesus entered the time of his suffering

so we remember those who most closely know this experience. Amen

You are invited to light a candle and name the person/people/situation you pray for tonight.

TAIZÉ CHANT

Within our darkest night You kindle a fire that never dies away, never dies away...

CLOSING WORDS AND BLESSING

When you are in doubt, be still, and wait.

When doubt no longer exists for you, then go forward with courage.

So long as mists envelop you, be still;

be still until the sunlight pours through and dispels the mists—as it surely will.

Then act with courage.

And the blessing of God—Creator, Companion, Comforter—be with you and all you love this night

in the shadows of Good Friday and the Sabbath silence keeping alive the confidence and hope of Easter morning

the promise of a stone rolled away and a world reborn **Amen**.

We depart in silence

RECESSIONAL—Kol Nidrei

EASTER SERVICES at St Andrew's on The Terrace

Friday 29 March, 10.00 am — Good Friday "A Time to Weep"

Sunday 31 March, 10.00 am — Easter Sunday "Resurrection of a Dream"

ALL WELCOME



Maundy Thursday service sources and resources

Words

It Would Not Have Been God's Table— Cheryl Lawrie Reflective Prayer—Tim Haley

The Heart's Journey Through the Seasons— Joyce Rupp & Macrina Wiederkehr Prayers Of Confession & Absolution:

Acknowledgement & Alienation—Bronwyn Angela White Reconciliation & Homecoming – Jim Cotter

Now, In Shared Quietness—Anne E Treadwell Closing Words

Go Forward With Courage—Ponca Chief White Eagle (1800s - 1914) Blessing—Bronwyn Angela White

Music

Christ, Let Us Come With You—Shirley Erena Murray / Colin Gibson
John 19: 41—Andrew Lloyd Webber (played by Julian Lloyd Webber)
We begin again (no information available)
Taizé chants—Jacques Berthier
Da Pacem Cordium

Eat This Bread
Within Our Darkest Night

Kol Nidrei, Op. 47—Bruch (played by Chicago Symphony Orchestra)