Maundy Thursday  
April 9, 2019 - 6:30 PM

Welcome to your Spiritual Home! We invite you to prepare for worship wherever you are, just as you would at Church: with a few moments of prayer, quiet, and meditation before we begin.

Special greetings to our Visitors! We want your experience to be as enjoyable as possible. If you have questions, please visit our website, or contact us at visitor@christchurchcharlotte.org.

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### Welcome and Announcements

**César Franck**

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1. Praise to the **holiest** in the height, and in the depth be praise; in all his words most wonderful, most sure in all his ways!

2. O loving wisdom of our God! When all was sin and shame, a second Adam

3. O wisest love! that flesh and blood, which did in Ad - am fail, should strive a fresh a - gainst the foe, should strive, and should prevail;

4. and that the highest gift of grace should flesh and blood refine: God’s presence and his very self, and essence all divine.

5. Praise to the holiest in the height, and in the depth be praise; in all his words most wonderful, most sure in all his ways!

THE WORD OF GOD

Illumination

The Lenten Acclamation

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.
People: His mercy endures for ever.

The 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.

Hymn 439, What wondrous love is this

Wondrous Love

Unison

1 What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What
2 To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing, to
3 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on, and

What won-drous love is this, O my soul! What won-drous love is this that God and to the Lamb, I will sing. To God and to the Lamb who when from death I'm free, I'll sing on. And when from death I'm free I'll

cau sed the Lord of bliss to lay a-side his crown for my is the great I AM, while mil-lions join the theme, I will sing and joyful be, and through e-ter-ni-ty I'll sing

soul, for my soul, to lay a-side his crown for my soul. sing, I will sing, while mil-lions join the theme I will sing.
on, I'll sing on, and through e-ter-ni-ty I'll sing on.

Words: American folk hymn, ca. 1835  Music: Wondrous Love, from The Southern Harmony, 1835
Priest: 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 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.” Jesus said, “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.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Reverend Joan Kilian

The Washing of the Feet

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.

Tonight, we cannot share together in the normal experience foot-washing that would accompany our liturgy, but I invite those of you who have others in your household to take a few moments now, or at the end of this liturgy, to share in the royal priesthood of Christ by washing one another’s feet, following the example of Christ. Remember 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.”

Hymn 606, Where true charity and love dwell

Ubi caritas

Antiphon: Where true charity and love dwell, God himself is there.

1. Since the love of Christ has joined us in one body, let us all rejoice and be glad now and always. And as we hear and love our Lord, the living God, so let us in sincerity love all people. [Ant.]

2. As we are all of one body, when we gather let no discord or enmity break our oneness. May all our petty jealousies and hatred cease that Christ the Lord may be with us through all our days. [Ant.]

3. Now we pray that with the blessed you grant us grace to see your exalted glory, O Christ our God, our boundless source of joy and truth, of peace and love, Forever and forever more, world without end. [Ant.]
The Prayers of the People

On this holy day we gather as the body of Christ, and are reminded of Jesus’ call to continue to love and serve one another. On this holy day, then, let us pray for the church and the world, saying:
Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For the whole church of God, that it may grow in unity and servanthood:
Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For our congregation, that in these holy days we may grow in love for one another and for all people:
Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For those who in the days to come will be baptized, that they may rejoice in their passage through death into life: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For all the leaders and people of the world, that reconciliation and peace may overcome conflict and oppression: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For the hungry in body or spirit, that they may be fed:
Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For the sick and those in pain, for the lonely and the forgotten, for the dying and all who mourn, that they may know the full extent of God’s love for them:
Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

In thanksgiving for the saints and martyrs and for all the faithful departed who join us in the fellowship of grace: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

O God, into your love we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Peace (standing)

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

Illumination and Stripping of the Altar

Psalm 22, versus 1-11

Shea Watts

1 My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? * and are so far from my cry and from the words of my distress? scorned by all and despised by the people.

7 All who see me laugh me to scorn; * they curl their lips and wag their heads, saying,

8 "He trusted in the Lord; let him deliver him; * let him rescue him, if he delights in him."

9 Yet you are he who took me out of the womb, * and kept me safe upon my mother’s breast.

10 I have been entrusted to you ever since I was born; * you were my God when I was still in my mother’s womb.

11 Be not far from me, for trouble is near, * and there is none to help.
The Easter offering will be given to Loaves and Fishes, Urban Ministry/Men's Shelter, and Crisis Assistance Ministry, to help in their aid to our most vulnerable neighbors in need during the COVID-19 crisis. Thanks to a very generous parishioner, we have a matching gift of up to $5,000 of the total received. We urge you to give as generously as you are able. Visit www.christchurchcharlotte.org/outreach for updates on how these agencies and the larger faith community are responding to the COVID-19 crisis. Please note or select "Easter" on your gift via checks, online, or text-to-give. Thank you very much for your generosity.

Please join us for weekend events:

**Good Friday, April 10**
12 Noon - Good Friday Service (Online)
9:00 AM - 2:00 PM Virtual Stations of the Cross - Youth Council members will record themselves reading Stations of the Cross. These readings will be posted to social media throughout the day.
Instagram @ChristChurchCltYouth and @ChristChurchClt, and Facebook @ChristChurchCharlotte.
Stations of the Cross for Families (online) - video service for families to watch any time on Good Friday, with associated activities to do together. www.christchurchcharlotte.org/holy-week.

**Easter Sunday, April 12**
8:45 AM Festive Worship Service (Online)
All are invited to worship online with us at www.christchurchcharlotte.org/live or on Facebook Live @ChristChurchCharlotte

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