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Maundy Thursday

The Reverend Brian Lennstrom, Presider

April 1, 2021

5:00 pm



The Collect

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider 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.

People Amen.

The Lessons

First Reading

A reading from 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.

Psalm

Psalm 78:14-20, 23-25

He led them with a cloud by day, *
and all the night through with a glow of fire.

He split the hard rocks in the wilderness *
and gave them drink as from the great deep.

He brought streams out of the cliff, *
and the waters gushed out like rivers.

But they went on sinning against him, *
rebellious in the desert against the Most High.

They tested God in their hearts, *
demanding food for their craving.

They railed against God and said, *
“Can God set a table in the wilderness?”

True, he struck the rock, the waters gushed out,
and the gullies overflowed; *
but is he able to give bread
or to provide meat for his people?”

So he commanded the clouds above *
and opened the doors of heaven.

He rained down manna upon them to eat *
and gave them grain from heaven.

So mortals ate the bread of angels; *
he provided for them food enough.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 11:23-32

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. Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be answerable for the body and blood of the Lord. Examine yourselves, and only then eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For all who eat and drink without discerning the body, eat and drink judgment against themselves. For this reason many of you are weak and ill, and some have died. But if we judged ourselves, we would not be judged. But when we are judged by the Lord, we are disciplined so that we may not be condemned along with the world.

Third Reading

Luke 22:14-30

When the hour came, Jesus took his place at the table, and the apostles with him. He said to them, "I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer; for I tell you, I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God." Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he said, "Take this and divide it among yourselves; for I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes." Then he took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." And he did the same with the cup after supper, saying, "This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood.

But see, the one who betrays me is with me, and his hand is on the table. For the Son of Man is going as it has been determined, but woe to that one by whom he is betrayed!" Then they began to ask one another, which one of them it could be who would do this. A dispute also arose among them as to which one of them was to be regarded as the greatest. But he said to them, "The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those in authority over them are called benefactors. But not so with you; rather the greatest among you must become like the youngest, and the leader like one who serves. For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one at the table? But I am among you as one who serves. "You are those who have stood by me in my trials; and I confer on you, just as my Father has conferred on me, a kingdom, so that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and you will sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

Meditation

The Reverend Brian Lennstrom

Anthems

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."

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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.

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

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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.

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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

- Reader With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."
- Reader 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.
People Lord, have mercy.
- Reader For our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.
People Lord, have mercy.
- Reader For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.
People Lord, have mercy.
- Reader For this city, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.
People Lord, have mercy.
- Reader For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.
People Lord, have mercy.
- Reader For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.
People Lord, have mercy.
- Reader 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.
People Lord, have mercy.
- Reader For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.
People Lord, have mercy.
- Reader For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.
People Lord, have mercy.
- Reader That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.
People Lord, have mercy.
- Reader In the communion of saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.
People To thee, O Lord our God.
- Presider Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who for our sins was lifted high upon the cross, that he might draw the whole world to himself; who by his suffering and death became the author of eternal salvation for all who put their trust in him.