

Maundy Thursday is observed on the Thursday before Easter. It marks the Last Supper of Jesus with his disciples before His betrayal, death and resurrection.

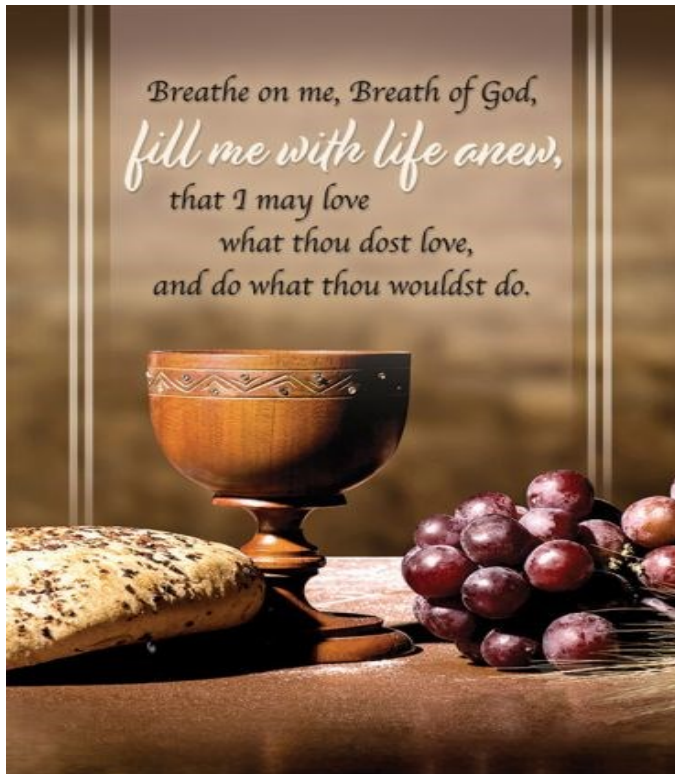
The name "Maundy Thursday" is derived from the Latin word *mandatum* meaning "commandment." On this day, we remember Jesus' command, as He washed the feet of His disciples, to "Love one another as I have loved you" (John 13:34). The other observance on Maundy Thursday is that of the Holy Communion. Christians take communion to remember Jesus' giving of bread and wine to His disciples at the Last Supper.

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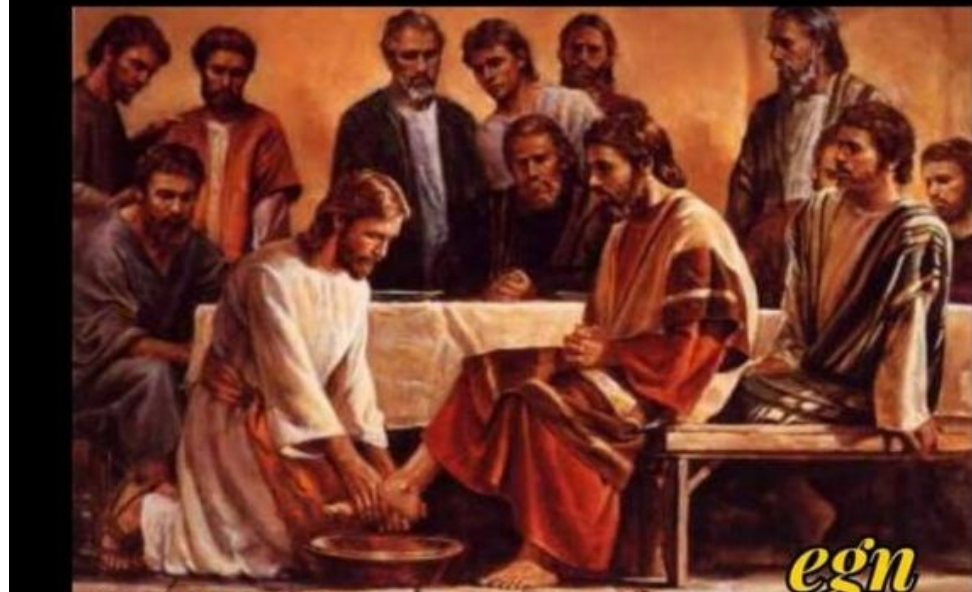


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I give you a new commandment:
"Love one another as I have loved you,
so you also should love one another.
This is how all will know that you
are my disciples, if you have
love for one another."



Breathe on me, Breath of God,
fill me with life anew,
that I may love
what thou dost love,
and do what thou wouldst do.



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Maundy Thursday
Starlyn Church, Organist

Welcome

Song "Abide With Me" #577

Confession and Forgiveness

**Most merciful God,
we confess that we are captive to sin
and cannot free ourselves.
We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us.
Forgive us, renew us, and lead us,
so that we may delight in your will
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

Words of Assurance

Prayer of the Day

Holy God, source of all love, on the night of his betrayal, Jesus gave us a new commandment, to love one another as he loves us. Write this commandment in our hearts, and give us the will to serve others as he was the servant of all, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Gospel John 13:1-17 NT pg 874

Song "Tell Me the Story of Jesus" #343

Scripture Psalm 130 OT pg 502

Message "Seeing Another as Other"

Song "Come, Share the Lord" #260

The Lord's Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Closing Song "Have Thine Own Way, Lord" #414

Benediction

Maundy Thursday is the fifth day of Holy Week leading up to Easter, which remembers the Last Supper with Jesus and His disciples. We call this event the "Last Supper" because it is one of Jesus' final meals with His disciples before He is crucified. They had gathered for Passover Supper, which set an important context for what Jesus did at the Last Supper.

(The Passover meal remembers when God liberated His people from captivity after striking Egypt with the tenth and final plague. For the tenth plague, God told Moses that every firstborn son would die unless their families had marked their door frames with the blood of a "lamb without blemish" (Exodus 12:5). Moses directs the Jews to kill a lamb and mark their doors with blood. As promised, God "passes over" the homes marked with blood and spares the firstborn sons of His people. After suffering this final plague, Pharaoh releases the Israelites from their captivity as slaves.)

