

Prayer After Communion

Life-giving God, on this holy night we give thanks for the sacrament that we have shared. May we now be refreshed and renewed for the journey ahead. Darkness and confusion cannot separate us from your love, nor the powers of the world shake our faith. Jesus is the light of the world. Amen.

Hymn* 543 Here, O my Lord

Too soon we rise; the symbols disappear.
The feast, though not the love, is past and gone;
the bread and wine remove, but thou art here,
nearer than ever still our shield and sun.

We have no help but thine, nor do we need
another arm but thine to lean upon;
it is enough, O Lord, enough indeed;
our strength is in thy might, thy might alone.

Exit to sanctuary

LIGHT AND DARKNESS (Sanctuary)

Prelude Abide With Me

Welcome and Introduction

Opening Prayer

Hymn* 358 There is a redeemer

Jesus Washes the Disciples' Feet John 13:3-11

Washing, That We May Understand (responsive)

Jesus washes – and welcomes you... Jesus is the servant in his Father's house. Amen.

Special Music As I Have Done Mary Ann

Blest If You Do These Things John 13: 12-17, 19-20

Hymn* 226 Great God, your love 1-4

THE FLOCK IS SCATTERED

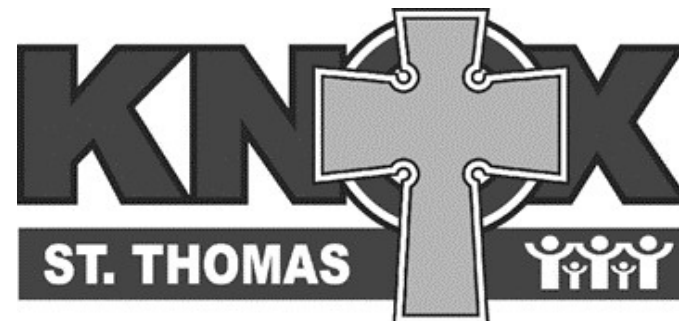
Even Though I Must Die with You Matthew 26:31-35

Gethsemane Matthew 26:36-46

Betrayal Matthew 26:47-56

Peter's Denial of Jesus Matthew 26:57-58, 69-75

Congregation departs



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Maundy Thursday
April 17th, 2025

Rev. Donna Kerrigan

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Family Dinner 5:30 pm
Welcome and Announcements
Blessing before Dinner

WE CELEBRATE THE LAST SUPPER

Invitation to the Sacrament 6:30 pm
Welcome and Introduction
Opening Prayer
Hymn* 534 All who hunger

All who hunger, gather gladly;
holy manna is our bread.
Come from wilderness and wandering,
Here in truth, we will be fed.
You that year for days of fullness,
all around us is our food.
Taste and see the grace eternal.
Taste and see that God is good.

All who hunger, never strangers;
seeker, be a welcome guest.
Come from restlessness and roaming.
Here in joy, we keep the feast.
We that once were lost and scattered
In communion's love have stood.
Taste and see the grace eternal.
Taste and see that God is good.

All who hunger, sing together,
Jesus Christ is living bread.
Come from loneliness and longing,
Here in peace, we have been led.
Blest are those who from this table
Live their days in gratitude
Taste and see the grace eternal.
Taste and see that God is good.

Preparing Ourselves for the Sacrament (*responsive prayer*)
As we prepare to celebrate Jesus' Last Supper, we remember the need for reconciliation, in our lives and in our world: We are commanded to love and serve God with our whole heart, and mind, and strength;

But day-to-day cares have distracted us.

We are called to love our neighbour as ourselves;

But sometimes we've been judgmental and refused to forgive or to reconcile.

We want to act justly, be kind, and live in a peaceful world;

But we've been silent while others experienced unjust and unkind behaviours, which do not make for peace.

We know that, with our busy lives and uncertain faith, we've not always lived up to our calling as Christ's disciples.

We're sorry we let so many opportunities slip by. Forgiving God, hear our sorrow and gather us into your heart.

Words of Assurance

The Lord's Prayer (*trespasses*)
Prologue to the Lord's Supper Matthew 26:14-19
Hymn* 543 Here, O my Lord

Here, O my Lord, I see thee face to face;
here would I touch and handle things unseen;
here grasp with firmer hand eternal grace
and all my weariness upon thee lean.

Here would we feed upon the bread of God;
here drink with thee the royal wine of heaven;
here would we lay aside each earthly load;
here taste afresh the calm of sin forgiven.

This is the hour of banquet and of song'
this is the heavenly table for us spread;
here let us feast, and, feasting, still prolong
this fellowship in thee, our living bread.

The Institution of the Lord's Supper