



St. Luke's Cathedral

Maundy Thursday

March 28th, 2024

Welcome!



The Cathedral Church of St. Luke
in the
City of Portland
and the
Episcopal Diocese of Maine

*Whoever you are,
and wherever you may be on the journey of the Spirit,
the Episcopal Church welcomes you.*

Holy Eucharist, Rite II
7:00PM in the Nave & Livestreamed

Welcome to St. Luke's Cathedral!

We are a faith community with ancient worship and modern thought, catholic traditions and progressive theology. We proclaim a Biblical perspective for thinking people, a respect for reason, science, and a diversity of perspective. This empowers compassion and care for both the wider community and one another. Our commitment to welcome and inclusion is central to our mission modeled on the Kingdom of God and proclaimed by Jesus Christ. We are part of the 1.7 million-member **Episcopal Church** in the United States, and the 85 million-member worldwide **Anglican Communion**.

St. Luke's Territorial Acknowledgement

St Luke's acknowledges that we are worshiping on "unceded territory taken by force and previously occupied by the **Wabanaki people**." (*Amended City Charter, Portland, Maine*). Some of the resources that built this cathedral came from industry related to the slave trade in the Eighteenth and Nineteenth Centuries. We join our fellow residents in honoring the Wabanaki knowledge and culture that continues to thrive in the Tribal Nations. We ask for Blessing and Peace upon all indigenous peoples that have called, and always will call, this place—"The Dawnland"—HOME.



Our Mission

Today, St. Luke's welcomes every person to share in the Episcopal Church's mission "to restore all people to unity with God and each other in Jesus Christ." As a cathedral, St. Luke's is the seat of the bishop and the chief mission church of the Diocese and people of Maine. St. Luke's first service was held on Christmas Day in 1868, and continues over 150 years of reaching out to the city and people of Portland.

Service Participants

<i>Preacher</i>	The Reverend Suzanne Roberts <i>M.D., Associate Priest</i>
<i>Celebrant</i>	The Reverend George Stevens, <i>Interim Dean</i>
<i>Assisting</i>	The Reverend Rebecca A. Grant, <i>Deacon</i>
<i>Music Leader & Organist</i>	Christian M. Clough, <i>Canon for Liturgy & Music</i>
<i>Lector & Prayers Leader</i>	James Hornor
<i>Head Verger</i>	Eleanor Roberts
<i>Live Streaming</i>	Sam Allen, Jack Swanton
<i>Contributing Ministries</i>	Ushers, Acolytes, Vergers, Flower Guild, Altar Guild, Kneeler Guild, Cathedral Choir

We invite you to pray this evening for...

members of our parish family

Garrison Murrell, Sarah Braik, Margo

members of our extended parish family

Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, Karen Keiter (*granddaughter of Betsey Delense*), Heather Blais (*daughter of the Rev. Rebecca Grant*), Liz and Elmer (*friends of Rebecca Grant*), Bethany, Wisly Clairis, *school director*, and all students and teachers at St. Simon and St. Jude in Duny, Haiti

*Today's liturgy celebrates **Women's History Month** with music featuring words or music by women writers and composers. Biographical information about these creators is found following the liturgy portion of this booklet. One observes that, though women arguably contribute more to, and historically have participated more fully in, the spiritual life of the Church than men, finding creative materials by them requires an inordinate amount of searching, especially considering the percentage of the population who are women!*

The people are encouraged to sing all music printed in the bulletin.

When the tower bell rings, please stand as you are able.

Processional Hymn

1 Thou, who at thy first Eu-cha-rist didst pray that all thy Church might be for e - ver one,
 2 For all thy Church, O Lord, we in - ter - cede; make thou our sad di - vi-sions soon to cease;
 3 So, Lord, at length when sac - ra-ments shall cease, may we be one with all thy Church a - bove,

grant us at ev - ery Eu-cha-rist to say with long-ing heart and soul, "Thy will be done."
 draw us the near - er each to each, we plead, by draw-ing all to thee, O Prince of Peace;
 one with thy saints in one un-bro - ken peace, one with thy saints in one un-bound-ed love;

O may we all one bread, one bo - dy be, through this blest sac - ra-ment of u - ni - ty.
 thus may we all one bread, one bo - dy be, through this blest sac - ra-ment of u - ni - ty.
 more bless-èd still, in peace and love to be one with the Trin - i - ty in U - ni - ty.

Words: William Harry Turton (1856-1938). Copyright © by Hope Publishing Company, Carol Stream, IL 60188. All Rights Reserved. Used by permission
 Music: *Song 1*, 10 10. 10 10. 10 10, melody and most of the bass by Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625); harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958), alt.

Celebrant
People

Blessed be the God of our salvation:
Who bears our burdens and forgives our sins.

Celebrant
People

May God be with you.
And also with you.

Celebrant

Let us pray.

The Collect

Celebrant

Almighty Creator, 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.

Please sit.

First Lesson

Exodus 12:1-14

Reader A reading from the twelfth chapter of Exodus.

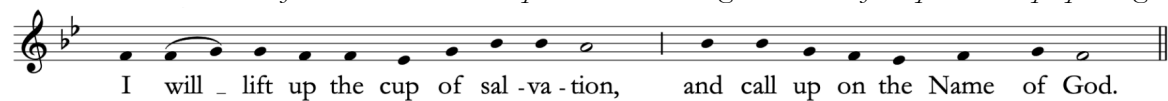
The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. If a 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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 116.1, 10-17 at the Gradual

The choir introduces the refrain, which all then repeat. The choir sings the verses of the psalm; the people sing the refrain where indicated.



I love you, O God, because you have heard the voice of my supplication,
because you have inclined your ear to me whenever I called upon you. **Refrain**

How shall I repay God for all the good things done for me? **Refrain** [*Verse 11 is the refrain.*]

I will fulfill my vows to God in the presence of all people.
Precious in your sight, O God, is the death of your servants. **Refrain**

O God, I am your servant; I am your servant and the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds.
I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call upon your holy Name. **Refrain**

I will fulfill my vows to you in the presence of all your people,
In the courts of God's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. **Refrain**

tr. *The Saint Helena Psalter*, Copyright © The Order of Saint Helena, All rights reserved. Used by permission.
Music: Plainsong Tone VIII.3

The Second Lesson

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Reader A reading from the eleventh chapter of Paul's first letter to the Corinthians.

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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.



Words & Music: Jacques Berthier (1923-1994), Copyright © Les Presses et Ateliers de Taizé, G.I.A. Publications, Inc. sole North American agent,
reprinted & streamed under OneLicense.net #A-713087
Copyright © 1982-84 Les Presses et Ateliers de Taizé, GIA Publications, Inc., sole North American agent.

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.
People **Glory to you, O Christ.**

The Gospel *John 13:1-17, 31b-35*

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 son of Simon 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.

"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 Jewish authorities 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."

Gospeller The Gospel of our Savior.
People **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please sit.

The Homily

The Reverend Suzanne Roberts, *M.D., Associate Priest*

At the conclusion of the Homily, a period of silence is observed.

The Washing of Feet

Those wishing to participate in the washing of feet are invited to come forward.

The choir sings

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.”

Refrain

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.

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

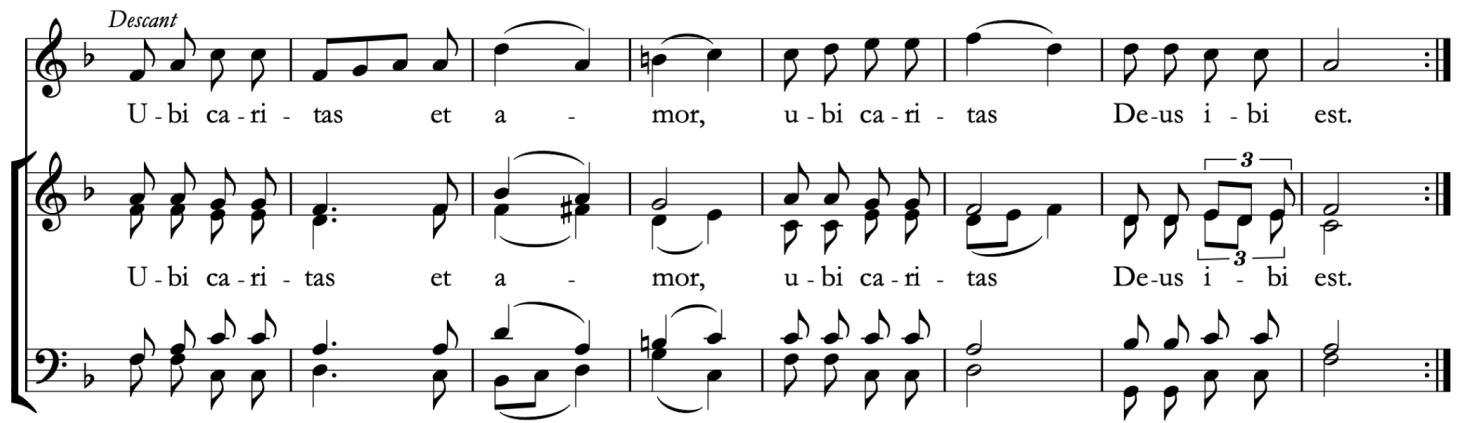
By this shall the world know that you are my disciples: That you have love for one another.

Final Refrain:

Peace is my last gift to you, my own peace I now leave with you; peace which the world cannot give. My peace I leave with you.

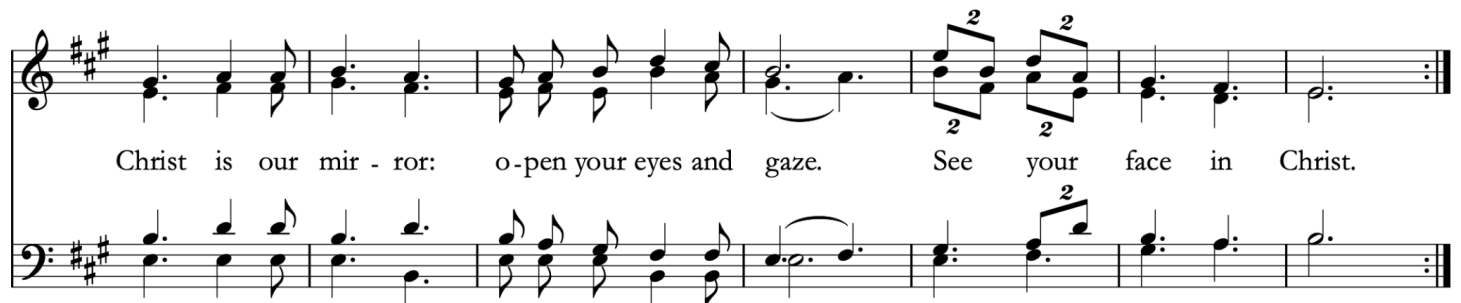
Words: *The Book of Common Prayer* (1979) Music: Douglas Major (b. 1953)

Descant



U - bi ca - ri - tas et a - mor, u - bi ca - ri - tas De - us i - bi est.

Words & Music: Jacques Berthier (1923-1994), Copyright © 1982-84 Les Presses et Ateliers de Taizé, GIA Publications, Inc., sole North American agent, reprinted & streamed under OneLicense.net #A-713087



Christ is our mir - ror: o - pen your eyes and gaze. See your face in Christ.

Words: Odes of Solomon, para. Donald Schell
Music: Mark Howe, Copyright © 2006 Mark Howe, reprinted & streamed under OneLicense.net #A-713087

The Prayers of the People

Form VI

Leader In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

People For all people in their daily life and work;
For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

Leader For this community, the nation, and the world;

People **For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

Leader For the just and proper use of your creation;

People **For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

Leader For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
People **For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

Leader For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
People **For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

Leader For Michael our Presiding Bishop, and Thomas our Bishops; and for all bishops and other ministers;
People **For all who serve God in his Church.**

Leader For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

The Leader reads the names from the parish prayer list, printed on the inside cover of your bulletin.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Leader Hear us, Lord;
People **For your mercy is great.**

Leader We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

The People may add their own thanksgivings

Leader We will exalt you, O God our King;
People **And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

Leader We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Leader Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
People **Who put their trust in you.**

Please kneel or stand as you are able.

Deacon We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.
All **Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;**
in your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Concluding Collect

Celebrant O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever.
People **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant May the peace of Christ be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

Please be seated.

Parish Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory

Celebrant

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, as an offering and sacrifice to God.



Go to St. Luke's

A free will offering in support of the mission and ministry of the Cathedral is taken at this time.

All quarters in the offering plate go to support lunches for the school children in Duni, Häiti.

Online giving is available at <stlukesportland.org/give/>.

The choir sings

Antiphon: Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.

Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor.

Exultemus et in ipso iucundemur.

Timeamus, et amemus Deum vivum.

Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero. [Antiphon]

Antiphon: Where dearthness and love are, God is there.

The love of Christ has gathered us into one.

Let us rejoice, and let us delight in him.

Let us fear, and love the living God.

And out of a sincere heart let us esteem each other. [Antiphon]

Setting: *Quatre Motets sur des thèmes grégoriens*, No. 1, Maurice Duruflé (1902-1986), after plainsong mode 6 hymn for Maundy Thursday

Please stand as you are able.

1 I come with joy to meet my Lord, for - giv - en, loved, and free,
2 I come with Chris - tians far and near to find, as all are fed,
3 As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each proud di - vi - sion ends.
4 And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His pres - ence, al - ways near,
5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound, we'll go our dif - ferent ways,

1 in awe and won - der to re - call his life laid down for me.
2 the new com - mu - ni - ty of love in Christ's com - mun - ion bread.
3 That love that made us makes us one, and stran - gers now are friends.
4 is in such friend - ship bet - ter known: we see, and praise him here.
5 and as his peo - ple in the world, we'll live and speak his praise.

Words: Brian A. Wren (b. 1936), alt. Music: *Land of Rest*, CM, American folk melody; adapt. and harm. Annabel Morris Buchanan (1889-1983)
Words Copyright © 1971 Hope Publishing Co., reprinted & streamed under OneLicense.net #A-713087

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

Celebrant

The Lord be with you.

People

And also with you.

Celebrant

Lift up your hearts.

People

We lift them to Lord.

Celebrant

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Celebrant

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, God Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. For our sins he was lifted high upon the cross, that he might draw the whole world to himself; and, by his suffering and death, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who put their trust in him.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, Ho - ly, ho - ly,
ho - ly, Lord, God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are full,
full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na
in the high - est. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Music: from *Deutsche Messe, D 872*, Franz Schubert (1797-1828), arr. Richard Proulx (1937-2010)
Copyright © 1985 GIA Publications, Inc. Reprinted & streamed under OneLicense.net #A-713087

Please stand or kneel as you are able.

Celebrant

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

Celebrant

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.

People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Celebrant

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever.

People

AMEN.

Celebrant

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name,

thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People

Therefore let us keep the feast.

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us. Je - sus, bear - er
of our sins: have mer - cy on us. Je - sus, re - deem - er,
re - deem - er of the world: give us your peace, give us your peace.

Music: from *Deutsche Messe, D 872*, Franz Schubert (1797-1828), arr. Richard Proulx (1937-2010).
Copyright © 1985 GIA Publications, Inc. Reprinted & streamed under OneLicense.net #A-713087

Celebrant

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion of the People

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. As the Iona Community says, "Come to this table, you who have much faith and you who would like to have more; you who have been here often and you who have not been here in a long time; you who have tried to follow Jesus and you who have failed. Come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here."

Ushers will assist you to approach by the center and return by the side aisles. You are welcome to receive the bread and/or the wine when presented; we believe that the divine presence is fully present in both the bread and the wine, and you may refuse either. For example, you may choose to receive only the bread, and then walk away; or, if you would like, you may touch the chalice with your hand, and not actually consume any wine. If you would like to receive the blessing of the Church, but not communion, indicate to the clergy by crossing your arms when approached. If you are not able to come forward, please motion to an usher, and communion will be brought to you.

The choir sings

Tantum ergo sacramentum Veneremur cernui,
Et antiquum documentum Novo cedat ritui;
Praestet fides supplementum Sensuum defectui.

Genitori Genitoque Laus et jubilatio,
Salus, honor, virtus quoque Sit et benedictio;
Procedenti ab utroque Compar sit laudatio. Amen.

*So let us devoutly revere this great sacrament,
and the old covenant may give way to the new rite;
may faith grant assistance to the deficiency of our senses.*

*To the Father and the Son praise and jubilation,
laud, honor, and virtue be, and blessing
equal praise be to him who proceeds from the two. Amen.*

Words: attr. Thomas Aquinas (1225?-1274)

Setting: *Quatre Motets sur des thèmes grégoriens*, No. 4, Maurice Duruflé (1902-1986), after *Pange lingua*, Mode III, for Maundy Thursday

1 Now, my tongue, the mys - tery tell - ing of the glo - rious Bo - dy sing,
2 Given for us, and con - de - scend - ing to be born for us be - low,
3 That last night at sup - per ly - ing mid the twelve, his cho - sen band,
4 Word made flesh, the bread he tak - eth, by his word his Flesh to be;
*5 There - fore we, be - fore him bend - ing, this great Sac - ra - ment re - vere;
*6 Glo - ry let us give and bless - ing to the Fa - ther and the Son,

1 and the Blood, all price ex - cell - ing, which the Gen - tiles' Lord and King,
2 he with us in con - verse blend - ing dwelt, the seed of truth to sow,
3 Je - sus, with the Law com - ply - ing, keeps the feast its rites de - mand;
4 wine his sa - cred Blood he mak - eth, though the sens - es fail to see;
5 types and shad - ows have their end - ing, for the new - er rite is here;
6 hon - or, thanks, and praise ad - dress - ing, while e - ter - nal a - ges run;

1 once on earth a - mong us dwell - ing, shed for this world's ran - som - ing.
2 till he closed with won - drous end - ing his most pa - tient life of woe.
3 then, more pre - cious food sup - ply - ing, gives him - self with his own hand.
4 faith a - lone the true heart wak - eth to be - hold the mys - ter - y.
5 faith, our out - ward sense be - friend - ing, makes our in - ward vi - sion clear.
6 ev - er too his love con - fess - ing who from both with both is One.

The Hymnal 1982 – #329 “Now, my tongue, the mystery telling”

Words: Att. St. Thomas Aquinas (1225?-1274); ver. *Hymnal 1940*, rev. Copyright © The Church Pension Fund, reprinted & streamed under OneLicense.net #A-713087

Music: *Pange lingua*, 87. 87. 87, plainsong, Mode 3, *Zisterzienser Hymnar*, 14th cent.; acc. Jackson Hill (b. 1941)

Please stand as you are able.

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant

Let us pray.

People

**Almighty and ever living God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, send us out to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Savior.
To Christ, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.**

Please be seated.

The Stripping and Washing of the Altar

The choir sings Psalm 22

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me, and are so far from my cry and from the words of my distress?
O my God, I cry in the daytime, but you do not answer; by night as well, but I find no rest.
Yet you are the Holy One, enthroned upon the praises of Israel.
Our forebears put their trust in you; they trusted, and you delivered them.
They cried out to you and were delivered; they trusted in you and were not put to shame.
But as for me, I am a worm, and less than human, scorned by all and despised by the people.
All who see me laugh me to scorn; they curl their lips and wag their heads, saying,
“You trusted in God for deliverance; let God rescue you, if God delights in you.”
Yet you, O God, are the one who took me out of the womb and kept me safe upon my mother’s breast.
I have been entrusted to you ever since I was born; you were my God when I was still in my mother’s womb.
Be not far from me, for trouble is near, and there is none to help.
Many young bulls encircle me; strong bulls of Bashan surround me.
They open wide their jaws at me, like a ravening and a roaring lion.
I am poured out like water; all my bones are out of joint; my heart within my breast is melting wax.
My mouth is dried out like a pot-sherd; my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth,
and you have laid me in the dust of the grave.
Packs of dogs close me in, and gangs of evildoers circle around me;
they pierce my hands and my feet; I can count all my bones.
They stare and gloat over me; they divide my garments among them; they cast lots for my clothing.
Be not far away, O God; you are my strength; hasten to help me.
Save me from the sword, my life from the power of the dog.
Save me from the lion’s mouth, my wretched body from the horns of wild bulls.
I will declare your Name to my people; in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.
May all who fear you, O God, give praise; may the offspring of Israel stand in awe, and all of Jacob’s line give glory.
For you do not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty, neither do you hide your face from them,
but when they cry to you, you hear them.
My praise is of you in the great assembly; I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship you.
The poor shall eat and be satisfied, and those who seek you shall praise you: “May your heart live for ever!”
All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to you, and all the families of the nations shall bow before you.
For yours is the royal power, O God; you rule over the nations.
To you alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; all who go down to the dust fall before you.
My soul shall live for you; my descendants shall serve you; they shall be known as yours for ever.
They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn the saving deeds that you have done.

tr. *The Saint Helena Psalter*, Copyright © The Order of Saint Helena, All rights reserved. Used by permission. Anglican chant: Samuel Wesley (1766-1837)

The people depart in silence.

You are invited to pray at the Altar of Repose in All Saints’ Chapel (through the doors to the left of the main altar).

You are welcome to join participants leading an all night silent vigil this evening until Friday morning at 8:00AM in the Cathedral Nave.

A MUSICAL CELEBRATION of WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

Notes on women contributors featured in today's liturgy

Prelude: Jeanne Demessieux (France, 1921-1968) was declared in 1944 “the greatest organist of all generations” by her teacher Marcel Dupré, at the time perhaps the most famous organist in the world. She was the first female organist to sign a record deal. As David Allen wrote in the *New York Times* in a centenary tribute, “Demessieux seemed destined to take a top liturgical position, at Dupré’s St.-Sulpice or even at Notre-Dame. But shortly after her debut, Dupré, who appears to have been fed unfounded rumors that Demessieux had been disloyal, cut off contact with his pupil and resolved to sabotage her career”, and she remained at her parish church until 1962, when she became “titulaire” (chief organist) at the Madeleine in Paris. She died prematurely from cancer at 47. Her reputation suffered from changing tastes in interpretation of Baroque repertoire, and from obscurity resulting from the difficulty of many of her own compositions, which limited the frequency of their performances. She has recovered some in recent years with the rerelease of her own recordings, and new performances by contemporary organists.

[<https://www.nytimes.com/2021/11/02/arts/music/classical-music-jeanne-demessieux.html>]

Psalm: The Order of Saint Helena is a monastic community for women in the Episcopal Church, and has been at the forefront of work to make worship language more representative of the diversity of people who use it. They publish *The Saint Helena Psalter* and *The Saint Helena Breviary*, a book for daily prayer, see <www.osh.org/breviary>. These apps are available: OSH Daily Office & OSH Compline. For more, see our bulletin of 3 March 2024, available on <stlukesportland.org>.

Presentation Hymn: Annabel Morris Buchanan (1888-1983) “was an American composer and folklorist. The author of the book *Folk Hymns of America* (1938) as well as myriad journal articles, Buchanan (along with John Powell) helped found the White Top Folk Festival (hosted in Grayson County, Virginia, from 1931 to 1939), which promoted music of the people in the Appalachian Mountains. Buchanan’s documenting practices are credited for preserving many folk songs that might have otherwise gone on unrecorded.”

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Annabel_Morris_Buchanan]

HOLY WEEK RESOURCES

All Night Vigil This Evening: Following the conclusion of this evening’s service, we invite you to join participants holding an all night silent vigil lasting until Friday morning at 8:00AM in the Cathedral Nave.

Bring Bells for the Easter Vigil & Easter Day Services: Please bring bells to ring at the Easter Acclamation and at other festive points during the liturgies this coming Saturday, March 30th (*The Great Vigil of Easter*) & Sunday, March 31st (*Easter Day*)

The Way of the Cross (Stations of the Cross): On Good Friday, at 1:00PM, following the Proper Liturgy for Good Friday at which he will preach, The Rev’d Christopher Worthley invites you to join him in walking and praying the Way of the Cross, following the 14 Stations that hang year-round in the nave of the Cathedral. The Way of the Cross is a contemplative devotion in remembrance of Christ’s passion, a series of events at the end of Jesus’ life from his condemnation to his burial. The devotion imitates the practice of visiting the places of Jesus’ passion in the Holy Land by early pilgrims. The first stations outside the Holy Land were built in Bologna, Italy, in the 5th century. This particular devotion, traditionally conducted on Fridays in Lent, was encouraged by followers of St. Francis and became common in the 15th century. The version we will use for this simple, spoken liturgy that moves throughout the nave is taken from *The Book of Occasional Services* of the Episcopal Church. This is a unique opportunity to dwell intentionally in the in-between experience that is Good Friday, a time to be with, and walk quietly with, our Savior. Please join us!

Our Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held between the Easter services at 10:30 am in the Bishop’s Garden, inside the gate adjacent to the State Street entrance to the cathedral; in case of rain, in Emmanuel Chapel, at the back of the nave. Everyone is welcome to this fun-filled celebration!



Join us for Holy Week at the Cathedral Church of St. Luke

Website

stlukesportland.org

Physical Address

143 State Street, Portland, ME 04101

Mailing Address

P.O. Box 4141, Portland, ME 04101

Phone: 207-772-5434

Email: office@cathedralofstluke.org

HOLY WEEK SERVICE SCHEDULE

Sunday March 24th—Palm Sunday

7:30AM Liturgy of the Palms & Holy Eucharist (Emmanuel Chapel)

10:00AM Liturgy of the Palms & Holy Eucharist (nave & livestreamed)

Thursday March 28th—Maundy Thursday

7:00PM Holy Eucharist with Foot-Washing (nave & livestreamed)

Friday March 29th—Good Friday

12:00 noon Solemn Liturgy of Good Friday (nave & livestreamed)

ca. 1:30PM The Way of the Cross (Stations of the Cross) (nave)

7:00PM Solemn Liturgy of Good Friday (nave & livestreamed)

Saturday March 30th—Easter Eve

7:00PM Great Vigil and First Eucharist of Easter (nave & livestreamed)

Sunday March 31st—Easter

9:00AM Festal Eucharist with brass & timpani (nave & livestreamed)

10:30AM Easter egg hunt (Bishop's Garden, rain location: Emmanuel Chapel)

11:00AM Festal Eucharist with brass & timpani (nave & livestreamed)



website: stlukesportland.org

e-mail: office@cathedralofstluke.org

Cathedral Church of St. Luke

143 State Street, Portland, Maine 04101 (*street address*)

(207) 772-5434

mailing address: P.O. Box 4141, Portland, ME 04101-0341

Staff

Bishop of Maine

The Rt. Rev. Thomas J. Brown

Interim Dean

The Rev. George Stevens <GStevens@cathedralofstluke.org>

Parish Administrator & Communications Specialist

Avery T. Schott <office@cathedralofstluke.org>

Canon for Liturgy & Music

Christian M. Clough <CClough@cathedralofstluke.org>

Associate Priest

The Rev. Suzanne Roberts, M.D. <suz@maine.rr.com>

Deacon

The Rev. Rebecca Grant <RGrant@cathedralofstluke.org>

Director of Christian Education

Sarah Dowling <SarahBDowling@gmail.com>

Finance Administrator and Bookkeeping

Nina Andersen <NAndersen@cathedralofstluke.org>

St. Luke's Food Pantry Executive Director

Mary Brighthaupt <mbrighthaupt@cathedralofstluke.org>

Security & Groundskeeper

Catherine Worthley

Sexton

Curtis Maurand

Housekeeping

Donna Cirriello

Volunteer Clergy

The Rev. Christopher Worthley

<christopher.worthley@aya.yale.edu>

Vestry

Wardens

Senior Warden Sam Allen (2025)

Junior Warden (Acting) Fred Fowler

Treasurer

Tim Wilkins

Clerk

John Bancroft

Vestry Members

Class of 2025 Dan McDonald, Oscar Mokeme, Michael Thorne

Class of 2026 Nancy Brain, Jamie Moore, Randi Hogan

Class of 2027 Stanley Kuziel, Eleanor Roberts, Mary Linneman