

which will be celebrated for all eternity. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION



We hear an extended meditation on the passion of Christ:

This final part of this service is sometimes referred to as *Tenebrae*. We hear two readers read alternately a version of the passion of Christ, John chapter 18-19. After each section, they will put out one of the 15 candles, and after each pair of passages we are invited to sing one verse of the hymn, as set out below. Light from your mobile - or one of the clip lights - may be helpful.

Maundy comes from the Latin word for 'command,' and refers to Jesus' commandment to the disciples to 'Love one another as I have loved you.' Today we remember the Last Supper, from which we have Communion.

...should die for the people.

1 Glory be to Jesus,
who in bitter pains
poured for me the life-blood
from his sacred veins.

...to Caiaphas the high priest.

2 Grace and life eternal
in that blood I find;
blest be his compassion,
infinitely kind.

...by what death he was to die.

3 Blest through endless ages
be the precious stream
which from endless torments
did the world redeem.

...and gave up his spirit

7 Lift we, then, our voices, swell the mighty flood,
louder still and louder, praise the precious blood!

After two further passages we depart via the centre of church.

...Now Barabbas was brought

4 Abel's blood for vengeance
pleaded to the skies,
but the blood of Jesus
for our pardon cries.

...over to them to be crucified.

5 Oft as it is sprinkled
on our guilty hearts
Satan in confusion
terror-struck departs

...for my clothing they cast lots

6 Oft as earth exulting
lifts its praise on high,
angel hosts rejoicing
make their glad reply.

God is light, in whom there is no darkness at all.

Jesus Christ is the light of the world.

And this is the judgment, that the light has come into t

and we loved darkness rather than light.

The darkness deepens, and the Lord grows troubled.

Can we watch with him?

Can we be the friends at His table who share his bread

Can we be the companions who journey with him to t

**Come, let us worship, let us watch,
and let us give thanks for such great love. Amen.**

We stand to sing: (A&M 157)

When I survey the wondrous cross
on which the Prince of glory died,
my richest gain I count but loss,
and pour contempt on all my pride.

2 Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast
save in the death of Christ, my God!
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his blood.

3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet,
sorrow and love flow mingled down.
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
or thorns compose so rich a crown?

You did not run from the darkness,
You did not hide from your accusers,
You did not fade into safe obscurity.
You stepped with determination into the darkness,
Willingly giving yourself to whip and fist, to wood and nails.

We praise you, Gracious Lord,
for what you were prepared to endure to reconcile us with God.

We praise you, Gracious Lord,
for your words of forgiveness, and the invitation to paradise.

Forgive us that allow ourselves to become too familiar with this story.
That we take your suffering too lightly,
and receive your grace too cheaply.

**As we watch with you, while the darkness encroaches,
Let us remember what this journey means,
and count again the cost of love. Amen.**

We listen to God's Word: Exodus 12: 1-14 (page 68)

We hear God's Word preached:

We turn to God in prayer:

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:
**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven,
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.**

We sing God's praise:

1 I hear the Saviour say,
"Thy strength indeed is small

Jesus paid it all,

3 For nothing good have I
Whereby Thy grace to claim
- I'll wash my garments white
In the blood of Calvary's Lamb.

4 And when, b
I stand in Him
"Jesus died m
My lips shall s

We remember Jesus' Last Supper as we receive Communion

The time arrived for Jesus to be lifted up;
When all had been prepared,
and he shared His last meal with his friends,
The Lord took the loaf, blessed it, broke it, and gave it to us.
**When you eat the bread, remember me.
This is my body broken for you.**

When the meal was finished,
The Lord took the cup, blessed it, and gave it to the disciples.
**When you drink the wine, remember me.
This is my blood shed for you.**

Now, as we gather at this table, we eat bread; we drink wine;
and we remember the One who died to bring us life.
**And we will keep sharing this meal
until he returns. Amen.**

**Jesus,
Lamb of God,
have mercy on us.**

**Jesus,
bearer of our sin,
have mercy on us.**

**Jesus,
redeemer of the world,
grant us your peace.**

*When you come forward
to the step, please cup
one hand to receive the
bread and wine together.*

Maundy Thursday – Malco

Here is the source of every
The all-transforming presence
Replenishing our every element
Remaking us in his creative
For here the earth herself
gives bread and wine,
The air delights to bear his
The fire dances where the
The waters cleanse us with

And here He shows the full
To us whose love is always
In vain we search the heavens
The God of love is kneeling