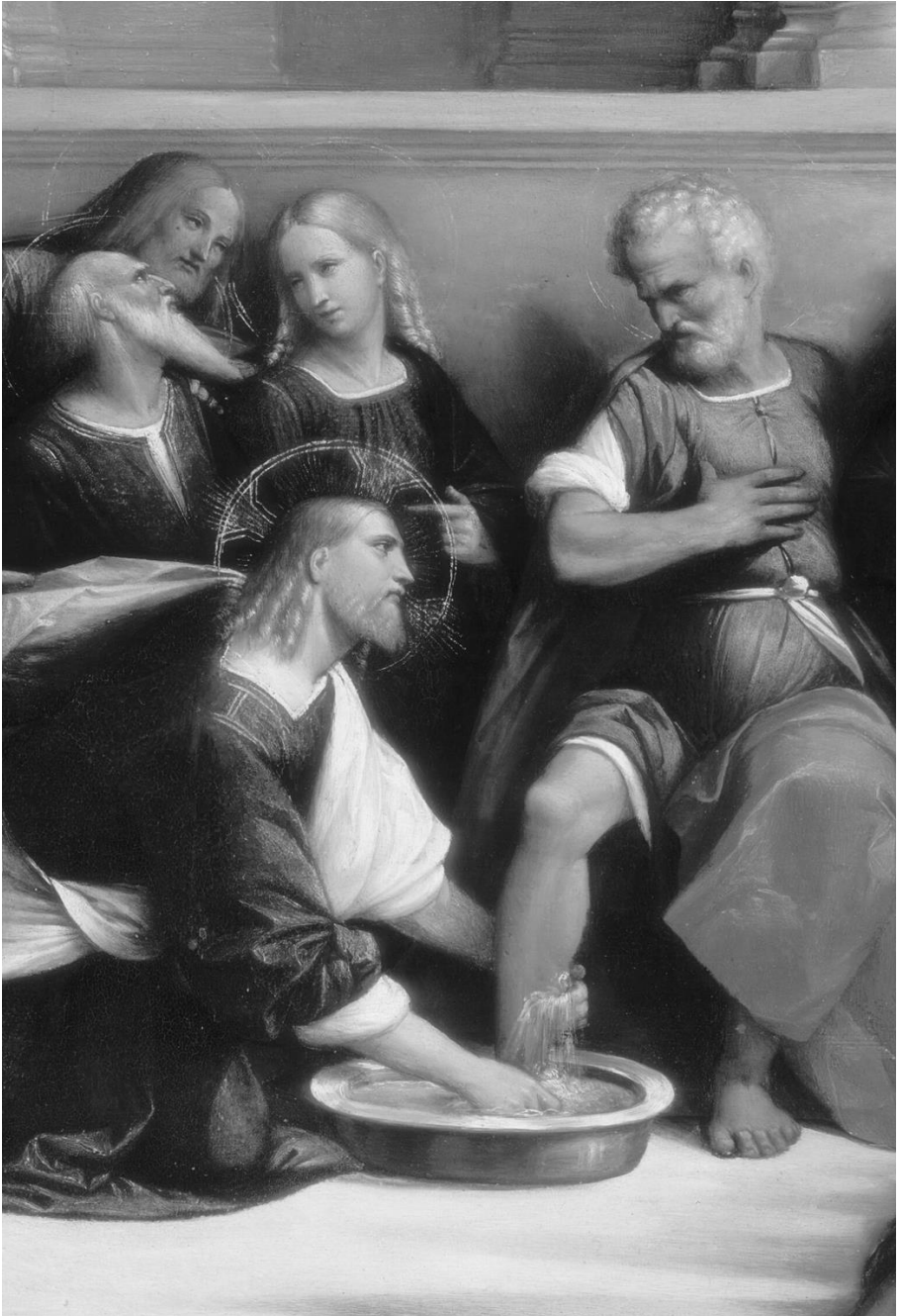




Christ Church  
SHELBURNE

| *The Solemn Liturgy of the*  
**Last Supper**



## WELCOME

*We're glad that you are here in God's house. This booklet contains everything you need to follow the service. If Anglican worship is unfamiliar to you, that's okay. Prioritize taking it all in with an open heart. Children of all ages are welcome at Christ Church. They are treasures from God. Feel free to move around the church during the service, if that's helpful for keeping your children engaged.*

## ABOUT THE SERVICE

*Today is Maundy Thursday. On this day, Jesus celebrated his final meal with his disciples. At dinner, he gave them the "new commandment" to love one another, and demonstrated this love by taking the role of a servant and washing his disciples' feet. ("Maundy" refers to this new "mandate" for Jesus' disciples.) Jesus also identified the bread and the wine at the table as his Body and Blood which would be offered on the cross the next day, and commanded his disciples to continue celebrating that ritual meal a memorial of his passion and death. This is the Holy Eucharist, which is the church's principal act of worship. After supper, Jesus went to the Garden of Gethsemane to pray, and there he was betrayed by his disciple Judas and arrested.*

*In our Holy Week services, we become participants in the humility, suffering, sacrifice, and ultimate resurrection of Christ by re-enacting these events. The priest, as a symbol of Christ, will wash the disciples' feet. A loaf of bread from our holy table will be consecrated and taken to the Altar of Repose at the back of the church, to be taken and broken at our Good Friday service tomorrow, just as Jesus awaited his betrayal and his cross by praying in the Garden of Gethsemane.*

*It is customary, as much as possible, to fast between the end of the Maundy Thursday service and the first Easter service, especially on Good Friday. The services of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter morning are considered one continuous service, which is why they do not conclude with a blessing and you are asked either to leave in silence or to remain in quiet prayer.*

God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

O Lord, open thou our lips;

*And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.*

O God, make speed to save us;

*O Lord, make haste to help us.*

I love the LORD, because he has heard the voice of my supplication, because he has inclined his ear to me whenever I called upon him. The cords of death entangled me; the grip of the grave took hold of me; I came to grief and sorrow. Then I called upon the Name of the LORD: "O Lord, I pray you, save my life." Gracious is the LORD and righteous; our God is full of compassion. The LORD watches over the innocent; I was brought very low, and he helped me. Turn again to your rest, O my soul. for the Lord has treated you well. For you have rescued my life from death, my eyes from tears, and my feet from stumbling. I will walk in the presence of the LORD in the land of the living. I believed, even when I said, "I have been brought very low." In my distress I said, "No one can be trusted." How shall I repay the LORD for all the good things he has done for me? I will lift up the cup of salvation and call upon the Name of the Lord. I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people. Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his servants. O LORD, 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 the Name of the Lord. I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people, In the

courts of the LORD’S house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. Praise the LORD, all you nations; laud him, all you peoples. For his loving-kindness toward us is great, and the faithfulness of the Lord endures for ever.

Lesson ✦ John 13:1-35 Sitting

The Word of the Lord.  
*Thanks be to God.*

Rite of Footwashing Priest

Fellow servants of our Lord Jesus Christ: On the night before his death, Jesus set an example for his disciples by washing their feet, an act of humble service. He taught that strength and growth in the life of the kingdom of God come not by worldly power and authority, but by such lowly service.

Therefore, I invite you, who share in the royal priesthood of Christ, to come forward, that we may recall whose servants we are by following the example of our Master. Come now remembering his admonition that what will be done for you is also to be done by you to others. Engrave on your hearts and mirror in your actions Jesus’ words: “A servant is not greater than his master, nor is one who is sent greater than the one who sent him. If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them.”

*Members of the congregation may then approach to have their feet washed by the priest. While washing the feet, the priest repeats the words of Jesus:*

Do you understand what I have done to you? If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another’s feet.

A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another.

Hymn

*During the footwashing*

Sister, let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to you;  
pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant too.

We are pilgrims on a journey, fellow-travellers on the road;  
we are here to help each other walk the mile and bear the load.

I will hold the Christ-light for you in the nighttime of your fear;  
I will hold my hand out to you, speak the peace you long to hear.

I will weep when you are weeping; when you laugh I'll laugh with you;  
I will share your joy and sorrow, till we've seen this journey through.

When we sing to God in heaven, we shall find such harmony,  
born of all we've known together of Christ's love and agony.

Brother, let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to you;  
pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant too.

Hymn

*During the footwashing*

Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Jesus' love;  
the fellowship of Christian minds is like to that above.

Before God's gracious throne we pour our ardent prayers;  
our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our comforts and our cares.

We share each other's woes, each other's burdens bear,  
and often for each other flows the sympathizing tear.

When for a while we part, this thought will soothe our pain:  
that we shall still be joined in heart and some day meet again.

One glorious hope revives our courage by the way,  
while each in expectation lives and longs to see the day  
when from all toil and pain, and sin we shall be free,  
and perfect love and friendship reign through all eternity.

Introit ✦ Psalm 67

*Priest & people respond*

May God be merciful to us and bless us, *show us the light of his countenance and come to us*. Let your ways be known upon earth, *your saving health among all nations*. Let the peoples praise you, O God; *let all the peoples praise you*. Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, *for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations upon earth*. Let the peoples praise you, O God; *let all the peoples praise you*. The earth has brought forth her increase; *may God, our own God, give us his blessing*. May God give us his blessing, *and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him*.

Entrance

*Priest, then all together*

✦ Blessed is the kingdom of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *Amen*.

*Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Penitential Rite

*(Priest)* Our Lord Jesus Christ said: Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God is one Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength. This is the first and great commandment. And the second

is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.

*(All) Lord, have mercy upon us, and write both these, your laws, in our hearts, we beseech you.*

*Holy God, holy and mighty, holy immortal one, have mercy upon us.*

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*(Minister) Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.*

*(All, kneeling) Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker and judge of us all: We acknowledge and lament our many sins and offenses, which we have committed by thought, word, and deed against your divine majesty, provoking most justly your righteous anger against us. We are deeply sorry for these our transgressions; the burden of them is more than we can bear. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may evermore serve and please you in newness of life, to the honour and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

*(Priest) Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, † pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

*(Minister) Hear what comforting words our Saviour Christ says to all who truly turn to him: Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. God so loved the world, that he gave*

his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. Hear also what Saint Paul says: This saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. Hear also what Saint John says: If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous, and he is the propitiation for our sins.

Collects

*Priest*

The Lord be with you.

*And also with you.*

Let us pray: Almighty and everlasting God, in your tender love for us you sent your Son our Savior Jesus Christ to take upon himself our nature, and to suffer death upon the Cross, giving us the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may both follow the example of his patience, and also be made partakers in his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

O Lord Jesus Christ, in this wonderful Sacrament you have given us a memorial of your passion: Grant us, we pray, so to venerate the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood, that we may ever perceive within ourselves the fruit of your redemption; who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Lesson ✦ Exodus 24:3-11

*Sitting*

The Word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*



Gradual ✦ Psalm 22:21-25

Reader & people respond

I will declare your Name to my brethren; *in the midst of the congregation I will praise you*. Praise the LORD, you that fear him; *stand in awe of him, O offspring of Israel*; all you of Jacob's line, give glory. *For he does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty*; neither does he hide his face from them; *but when they cry to him he hears them*. My praise is of him in the great assembly; *I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him*. The poor shall eat and be satisfied, and those who seek the LORD shall praise him: *"May your heart live for ever!"*

Epistle ✦ 1 Corinthians 11:17-29

The Word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

Passion ✦ Luke 23:1-49

Standing

The Lord be with you.

*And also with you.*

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Saint Luke.

*The customary response is not said.*

Sermon

*Please be seated after the priest makes the sign of the cross.*

## Hymn

*During the offering*

Cross of Jesus, cross of sorrow, where the blood of Christ was shed,  
perfect Man on thee did suffer, perfect God on thee has bled!

Here the King of all the ages, throned in light ere worlds could be,  
robed in mortal flesh is dying, crucified by sin for me.

O mysterious condescending! O abandonment sublime!  
Very God Himself is bearing all the sufferings of time!

Cross of Jesus, cross of sorrow, where the blood of Christ was shed,  
perfect Man on thee did suffer, perfect God on thee has bled!

## Intercession

*The priest brings the bread and wine into the midst of the people, to later present them at the altar with the people's prayers. The priest bids the people to pray. Then the minister reads several petitions. After each the priest and people say,*

Let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

## Offertory Sentence

*Priest, then all together*

Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for everything in heaven and on earth is yours; yours is the Kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as Head above all. All things come from you, O Lord.

*And of your own have we given you.*

## Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

*And also with you.*

Lift up your hearts.

*We lift them up unto the Lord.*

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

*It is right and just so to do.*

It is truly right and just, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, O Lord, Holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, Creator and Preserver of all things.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; and on the night before he suffered, he instituted these holy mysteries; that we, receiving the benefits of his passion and resurrection, might be made partakers of his divine nature. Therefore, with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, we praise and magnify your glorious Name, evermore praising you and saying,

*Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord most high. † Blessed is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.*

## Prayer of Consecration

*Priest*

Blessing and glory and thanksgiving are yours ...

*The priest continues the prayer, which concludes,*

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

*Amen.*

## Lord's Prayer

Priest, then all together

And now as our Savior Christ hath commanded and taught us, we are bold to pray:

*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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.*

## Peace

Once we were far off, but now in Christ Jesus we have been brought near through the shedding of Christ's blood, for he is our peace. The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*And also with you.*

## Preparation for Communion

Kneeling

*We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own right-eousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.*

*Lamb of God, that takes away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, that takes away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, that takes away the sin of the world, grant us thy peace.*

## Holy Communion

*Then the priest and minister distribute Holy Communion at the altar rail. Everyone is welcome to approach the altar—believers and non-believers, and members of all denominations. Holy Communion is about renewing our participation in the death and resurrection of Jesus which we initiate in baptism and continue by faith. If you have not been baptized or do not believe in Jesus, you may still come forward. Just cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you would prefer to receive a blessing rather than the Body and Blood of Christ.*

## Hymn

Now, my tongue, the mystery telling, of the glorious body sing,  
and the blood, all price excelling, which the nations' Lord and King,  
once on earth among us dwelling, shed for this world's ransoming.  
That last night, at supper lying, with the twelve, his chosen band,  
Jesus, with the law complying, keeps the feast its rites demand;  
then, more precious food supplying, gives himself with his own hand.  
Word made flesh, by word he maketh very bread his flesh to be,  
wine his blood for whoso taketh; and if senses fail to see,  
faith alone the true heart waketh to behold the mystery.  
Therefore we, before him bending, this great sacrament revere;  
types and shadows have their ending, for the newer rite is here;  
faith, our outward sense befriending, makes our inner vision clear.  
Glory let us give, and blessing, to the Father and the Son;  
honour, thanks, and praise addressing while eternal ages run,  
and the Spirit's power confessing, who from both with both is one.

## Procession to the Garden

*Standing*

Go to dark Gethsemane, ye that feel the tempter's power.  
Your Redeemer's conflict see; watch with him one bitter hour;  
turn not from his griefs away, learn of Jesus Christ to pray.

Follow to the judgement hall; view the Lord of life arraigned.  
O the wormwood and gall! O the grief his soul sustained!  
Shun not suffering, shame, or loss; learn of him to bear the cross.

Calvary's mournful mountain climb; there, adoring at his feet,  
mark that miracle of time—God's own sacrifice complete.  
“It is finished!” hear him cry; learn of Jesus Christ to die.

## Prayers

*Priest*

Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, Lord Christ; give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for your love's sake. *Amen.*

Be present, O merciful God, and protect us through the silent hours of this night, so that we who are wearied by the changes and chances of this fleeting world, may repose upon thy eternal changelessness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

## Betrayal of Jesus ✦ Matthew 26:30-46

*After the reading and a period of silence,  
a sharp noise represents the moment of Jesus' betrayal.*

## Stripping of the Altar

*Then the altar will be stripped for tomorrow's service. Regular attendees may approach the altar to help. The congregation may remain in the church in prayerful silence during the stripping of the altar and afterward. You are encouraged to spend time praying before the reserved Body of Christ at the Altar of Repose before you leave. The candles will be extinguished once the last member of the congregation has left.*

*The service continues tomorrow at 12:00 noon.*

## UPCOMING HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Friday, 12:00 noon	<i>The Solemn Liturgy of Good Friday</i>
Sunday, 7:00 AM	<i>The Vigil of Easter (Sunrise Service)</i>
Sunday, 8:00 AM	<i>Easter Breakfast (in the Hall)</i>
Sunday, 10:30 AM	<i>Easter Communion</i>

## REGULAR SERVICES

Sunday, 8:00 AM	<i>Traditional, no music</i>
Sunday, 10:30 AM	<i>Contemporary, with music</i>