

# Maundy Thursday

## Jesus' last night

Last Supper,  
foot washing  
betrayal  
arrest

# Opening Prayer

- *Priest* Bless the Lord. All our sins HE forgives.  
*People* HIS mercy endures for ever.
- *Priest* The Lord be with you.  
*People* And also with you.

## This night – different how?

- *Priest* Tonight begin Three Days most important: remembering our Lord suffering, dying, and resurrection.

Last Supper ⇨ Cross ⇨ Easter sunrise

His way we follow. His truth we explore. His Life Presence we experience.

# This night – different how?

- **Scott:**

This night Christ Himself like a Lamb from God sacrificed Himself, willing let other people betray him.

# This night – different how?

- **Lee:**

This night Christ gathered his disciples. Where: room upstairs.

Why: give us the Eucharist, our holy feast:

Breaking bread & cup drinking, we proclaim here His sacrifice and arrive –will!-- His table in heaven.

# This night – different how?

- **Sharon:**

This night Christ washed his disciples their feet.

Why:

showing we must love, honor, serve each other.

# Ron: Reading from John, chapter 13

- Ron will read scripture text.
- Parts of the story
  1. Jesus loves his people, knows someone will betray him.
  2. Jesus washes his disciples' feet.
  3. Peter doesn't want Jesus to serve him like that, but Jesus insists.
  4. Jesus explains foot-washing.
  5. Jesus gives a new commandment:  
Love each other, as I loved you.

# Short reflection

- **Emily**

- Jesus cares for bodies. Washes feet. Asks us wash feet.
- Jesus makes a humble service into a very holy action.
- We are doing a lot of washing these days.
- May all our washing be holy  
for the love of all people in our families and communities.

# Remembering the rest of the story

- **Jesus stays faithful. Others fail.**
- prayer in garden,
- Betrayal & arrest,
- All disciples run away
- judgment by religious leaders
- Pontius Pilate
- Peter denies Jesus.



# Some verses from Psalm 22

- **Rob**

My God! YOU left me alone . WHY?! I suffer, but YOU far ... not saving me.

<sup>2</sup> All day long I pray, shout ↗ YOU, but YOU ignore me. don't answer.

All night long I continue pray, shout-shout ↗ YOU. Rest I can't. — never.

<sup>3</sup> YOU truly **Holy One**, enthroned. Israel praises YOU.

<sup>4</sup> Our ancestors trusted YOU. Them YOU rescued!

<sup>5</sup> They shout-shout ↗ trusted YOU.

They disappointed? NO! Them YOU saved! success!

<sup>6</sup> But I myself like a worm, Feel human? No. less.

He insults me; <sup>other</sup> he curses me.

<sup>7</sup> All people look <sup>at</sup> me. They disgusted, shake-head, gossip:

“Himself he offered ↗ the Lord,

God likes him so much???

Let God rescue & help him.” ...

<sup>14</sup> I'm weak. like water poured finished. My bones fall-apart.

My heart like WAX melts.

<sup>15</sup> ... YOU, my God, YOU left me lying in dust-grave. Finished.

This night – different how?

• **Ron:**

This night we calm...

waiting...

awake, watching...

praying...

This night – different how?

- **Emily:**

These 3 days most challenging, ourselves we willingly offer.  
Why: we trust dying in Christ, we surely with Him live will!

THE END

*(Spend the night prayerfully,  
remembering betrayal.)*