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# St. John the Evangelist Anglican Church

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***April 2, 2026, 6:30 p.m.***

***Service of Worship***

***Maundy Thursday***

*Celebrant: The Reverend Georgina Harris*

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## **WELCOME**

We are glad you have joined us for worship this evening. We ask that you please turn all cell phones and other electronic devices to silent or "off". Thank you.

### **The Anglican Church**

As Anglicans we believe that God is eternal, the earth maker, the pain bearer, the life giver; source of all that is and shall be; father and mother of us all. We learn that God is one, yet revealed as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer - a Holy Trinity.

Everyone is welcome at St. John's, whether you were raised Anglican, or followed another faith, or you have no faith background at all. We hope you find what you are looking for in our service today.

As we proceed through the service, this bulletin will help you recognize when to stand and when to sit, when to speak and when to sing, when to pray silently and when to pray aloud. We invite you to read aloud with us anytime the bulletin says **All**.

### **Land Acknowledgement**

The community of St. John's acknowledges that we live, work and worship on the ancestral and unceded land of the Coast Salish Peoples: The Musqueam, Squamish, and Tseil-Waututh Nations. May the reconciling love of Christ be reflected in our words and in our actions.

*Please stand as you are able as the Ministry Team enters in silence.*

## ***The Gathering of the Community***

Celebrant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**All And also with you.**

Celebrant Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

**All Christ has prepared a feast of love.**

## ***Confession and Pardon***

Celebrant Beloved, Christ showed us his love  
by becoming a humble servant.

**All Most merciful God,  
we your Church confess  
that often our spirit has not been that of Christ.  
Where we have failed  
to love one another as he loves us,  
where we have pledged loyalty to him with our lips  
and then betrayed, deserted, or denied him,  
forgive us, we pray;  
and by your Spirit make us faithful  
in every time of trial;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.  
In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!  
Glory to God. Amen.**

## ***Collect of the Day***

Celebrant God of Love

**All**            **During Holy Week,  
we give you thanks for this night  
Jesus shared with his disciples  
Between the public parade  
and the charade  
is this intimate hour.  
Though even now we do not fully understand,  
we long to follow his example:  
to serve as he served,  
to love as he loved.  
Jesus promised  
that if we know these things and do them,  
we will be blessed.  
Help us, then, to know and to do  
all Jesus taught.  
Though we betray and deny,  
we still come seeking blessing,  
for this much we do know:  
we cannot live unless you bless us. Amen**

*Please be seated and be attentive to the word.*

***The First Reading:*** Read by Howard Dallimore

A reading from the Book 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 neighbour 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 judgements:

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.

Exodus 12:1-14

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

**All Thanks be to God.**

## **Psalm 116:1, 10-17**

*Please remain seated as we say the Psalm together*

**All**            **I will lift up the cup of salvation.  
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.  
I will lift up the cup of salvation.**

**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 lift up the cup of salvation.**

**I will fulfil 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.  
I will lift up the cup of salvation.**

**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 lift up the cup of salvation.**

**I will fulfil 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. Hallelujah!**

Deacon        **Glory to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Spirit:**

**All**            **As it was in the beginning, is now,  
and will be for ever. Amen.**

***The Second Reading:*** Read by Diane Johnson

A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

For 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.

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

**All Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

*We turn to face the Deacon as they read the Gospel from the centre of the sanctuary.*

***The Gospel***

Deacon                      The Lord be with you.

**All                              And also with you.**

Deacon                      The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to John.

**All                              Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

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 Jews 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."

John 13:1-17, 31B-35

Deacon                      The Gospel of Christ.

**All                              Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

*Silence is kept.*

## ***Meditation on the Towel***

**Celebrant** During Holy Week we enter into the passion or suffering of Christ, we journey with him and the disciples in the busy, overrun city of Jerusalem at a time of festival. Holy week is full of sights, sounds and smells. Tonight is no exception. Jesus with his friends and followers are eating the Passover Meal, rich roasted lamb, matzah cracker bread dipped in oil and delicious sauces, bitter herbs and sweet charoset. Wine is flowing, through the evening the guests become more relaxed as a third and then fourth glass of wine is consumed. Jesus gets up from his place of honour, takes off his clothes and ties a towel around his waist and proceeds to do the worst job of the lowest slave of the house, he begins to wash the disciples' feet.

**Deacon:** Tonight is all about the towel, a simple cloth, used to clean and dry all the dirt away. Hold the towel you were given this evening. Feel its texture.

Earlier in Holy Week, Jesus was at another meal, and Mary of Bethany chose to break a jar of pure nard, beautiful perfume, and anoint Jesus in a supreme act of love, weeping and wiping his feet with her hair. Tonight, at this last meal with his friends, the smell of the perfume lingers. Smell the towel you are holding. Imagine being able to smell the perfume on Jesus as he bows to wash your feet. The smell of holiness, the smell of divinity lingers in the air.

### *Silence*

**Celebrant:** The towel you are holding is pure white. It is able to absorb all that is thrown at it, all the dirt and water, it takes it away from you so that you are clean again. This is what Jesus does for you, takes upon himself all that sin, all those wrongs, those things that mar our character, he is not afraid to face up to the smell and the dirt.

Do you know what I have done for you? Jesus says.

*Silence*

Deacon: Tonight is not the only night we encounter a towel or cloth. On Good Friday, Veronica will step forward in the crowd on the route to Golgotha to wipe away the sweat, blood, tears and phlegm from Jesus' face. Bring your towel up to your face, imagine the relief of having your face wiped clean after being spat at.

Do you know what I have done for you? Jesus says.

*Silence*

Celebrant: And then, after they've brought Jesus' body down from the cross, the women will wrap Jesus in cloths with a separate one for his head as they gently lay him in the tomb, preparing to return in the morning with the spices for embalming.

*Silence*

Deacon: On Easter Day, bring out your towel again, and remember how the head cloth was folded separately from the other cloths in the tomb.

Jesus leaves the towel behind, perhaps as a reminder to us.

Do you know what I have done for you? Jesus says. (1)

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## **Intercessions** - Led by Alison Brookfield

*You are invited to sit, kneel, or stand, whichever is most comfortable for you for the prayers of the people.*

Reader In the power of the Spirit let us pray to the One who through Christ became the saviour of the world.  
Holy One,  
on this, the night an innocent was betrayed,  
your Son Jesus Christ washed his disciples' feet.  
We commit ourselves to follow his example of love and service.  
Lord, hear us

### **All and humble us.**

Reader On this night, Christ prayed for his disciples to be united as one.  
We pray for the unity of your Church.  
Lord, hear us

### **All and unite us.**

Reader On this night, Christ prayed for those who were to believe through his disciples' message.  
We pray for the mission of your Church.  
Lord, hear us

### **All and renew our zeal.**

Reader On this night, Jesus commanded the disciples to love, but suffered rejection himself.  
We pray for the rejected and unloved.  
Lord, hear us

### **All and fill us with your love.**

Reader On this night, Jesus reminded the disciples that if the world hated them, the world hated him first.  
We pray for those who are persecuted for their faith.  
Lord, hear us

### **All and give us your peace.**

Reader On this night, God's Son accepted the cup of death, and looked forward to the new wine of the life everlasting.

Reader We remember those who have died in the peace of Christ.  
Lord, hear us

**All and welcome all your children into paradise. Amen**

### ***Invitation to the Table***

Celebrant Friends, this is the Table of the Lord.

**All From the night of his arrest  
through succeeding generations,  
Jesus' disciples have continued  
to come to the Table for this holy meal.  
as he did that night in Jerusalem,  
so ever since in all times and places,  
Christ meets us here.  
We are included in this feast,  
whether we are filled with faith  
or emptied by doubt;  
whether we are first among saints,  
last among scoundrels,  
or somewhere in between.  
in bread broken and cup poured out,  
we remember the full extent of Christ's love for us.  
And give thanks.**

Celebrant Come, let us join the whole communion of saints  
as we keep the feast!

## The Great Thanksgiving/Eucharistic Prayer 1 (DoNW)

Celebrant  
**All**

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Celebrant  
**All**

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant  
**All**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant

It is indeed right that we should praise you,  
gracious God,  
for you created all things.  
You formed us in your own image:  
You created us.  
When we turned away from you in sin,  
you did not cease to care for us,  
but opened a path of salvation for all people.  
You made a covenant with Israel,  
and through your servants Abraham and Sarah  
gave the promise of a blessing to all nations.  
Through Moses you led your people  
from bondage into freedom;  
through the prophets  
you renewed your promise of salvation.

Therefore, with them, and with all your saints  
who have served you in every age,  
we give thanks and raise our voices  
to proclaim the glory of your name.

**All**

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

Celebrant

Holy God, source of life and goodness,  
all creation rightly gives you praise.  
In the fullness of time,  
you sent your Son Jesus Christ,  
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 healed the sick  
and ate and drank with outcasts and sinners;  
he opened the eyes of the blind  
and proclaimed the good news of your kingdom  
to the poor and to those in need.  
In all things he fulfilled your gracious will.

On the night he freely gave himself to 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."

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."

Gracious God,  
his perfect sacrifice  
destroys the power of sin and death;  
by raising him to life  
you give us life for evermore.  
Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**All**                    **Christ has died.**  
**Christ is risen.**  
**Christ will come again.**

Celebrant            Recalling his death, proclaiming his resurrection,  
and looking for his coming again in glory,  
we offer you, Father, this bread and this cup.  
Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts,  
that all who eat and drink at this table  
may be one body and one holy people,  
a living sacrifice in Jesus Christ, our Lord.  
Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all glory is yours, almighty Father,  
now and for ever.

**All**                    **Amen.**

### ***The Lord's Prayer***

Celebrant            As our Saviour taught us to pray, let us say,

**All**                    **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.**  
**Save us from the time of trial,**  
**and deliver us from evil.**  
**For the kingdom, the power,**  
**and the glory are yours,**  
**now and forever. Amen.**

## ***The Breaking of the Bread***

Celebrant We break this bread,

**All Communion in Christ's body once broken.**

Celebrant Let your Church be the wheat  
which bears its fruit in dying.

**All If we have died with him,  
we shall live with him;  
if we hold firm,  
we shall reign with him.**

## ***The Communion***

Celebrant The Gifts of God, for the people of God.

**All Thanks be to God.**

*Please be seated as the Communion is prepared.*

*All who love God and desire Christ are welcome to receive communion. Gluten-free wafers are available. Please let the Eucharistic Administrator know if you wish to receive one. Please note intinction, (dipping the bread into the wine), is not permitted.*

## ***Prayer after Communion***

*Please stand as you are able.*

Celebrant O Lord our God

**All We rise from this table  
knowing a love beyond our deserving.  
Thank you for giving us a place at your table;  
For serving us the bread of life;  
For offering even to us, the cup of salvation.  
In humility and hope,  
we go now from this night  
to your promised day.  
In Christ we pray. Amen**

## ***Stripping of the Altar***

*The Altar Guild will begin stripping the Altar for Good Friday in silence.*

*The community remains seated as Psalm 22 is read.*

### ***Psalm 22***

**All            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, a nobody.  
                  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,  
He trusted in the Lord; let God deliver him.**

**Let God rescue him if God delights in him.**

**Yet you are God 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 roaring lion.**

**All**

**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 potsherd;  
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 Lord;  
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 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 forever!"**

**All**            **All the ends of the earth shall remember  
                  and turn to the Lord,  
                  and all the families of the nations  
                  shall bow before him.**

**For kingship belongs to the Lord;  
                  he rules over the nations.**

**To him alone all who sleep in the earth  
                  bow down in worship;  
                  all who go down to the dust fall before him.**

**My soul shall live for him;  
                  my descendants shall serve him;  
                  they shall be known as the Lord's forever.**

**They shall come and make known  
                  to a people yet unborn  
                  the saving deeds that he has done.**

*Silent reflection*

### ***Dismissal***

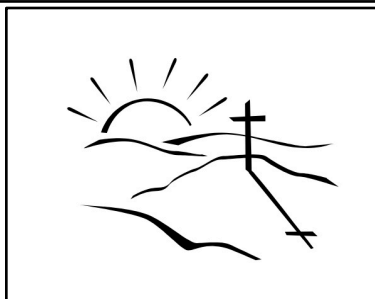
*The celebrant will dismiss the congregation.*

## ***Good Friday Service***

**Friday, April 3, 2026**

**11:00am**

*Join us for a traditional Good Friday Service,  
then walk the Stations of the Cross  
in silent meditation.*



## ***Easter Sunday Service***

***Rejoicing the Resurrection of our Lord!***

**Sunday, April 5, 2026**

**10:00am**

*We welcome you to join us Sunday,  
when He is Risen!*

*We invite you to bring a few flowers*