



The Anglican Parish of
**Holy Trinity Lara with
Christ Church Little River**



Thursday 28th March 2024

Maundy Thursday

Holy Trinity

Holy Communion with Foot Washing 7:00pm

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Zoom <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82715954960>

Holy Trinity Church Lara *with* Christ Church Little River.

We gather in this sacred space on the traditional lands of the Kulin nations,
and we respectfully acknowledge the current, past and emerging elders
of the Wadawurrung people.

All baptised Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

If you would prefer a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest.

Low-gluten altar breads are available, please let us know if you require one.

Hymns

TIS 650 Brother, Sister, let me serve you

TIS 534 Love is his word, love is his way

TIS 536 An upper room did our Lord prepare

*(TIS: Together in Song, EW: Essential Worship Kevin Mayhew, AHB: Australian Hymn Book,
MP: Mission Praise, ATE: All Together Everybody, HM: Hillsong Music)*

Sentence:

Jesus said, 'If I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to
wash one another's feet.'

John 13.14

Prayer of the day:

O God,
your love was embodied in Jesus Christ,
who washed the disciples' feet on the night of his betrayal:
wash us from the stain of sin,
so that, in hours of danger, we may not fail,
but follow your Son through every trial,
and praise him always as Lord and Christ,
to whom be glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

reading from the Book of Exodus 12.1-14

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.

Hear the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalms 116.1-2, 11-18

I love the Lord, because he heard my voice: **the voice of my supplication;**

Because he inclined his ear to me: **in the day that I called to him.**

How shall I repay the Lord: **for all his benefits to me?**

I will take up the cup of salvation: **and call upon the name of the Lord.**

I will pay my vows to the Lord: **in the presence of all his people**

Grievous in the sight of the Lord: **is the death of his faithful ones.**

O Lord, I am your servant, your servant and the child of your handmaid: **you have unloosed my bonds.**

I will offer you a sacrifice of thanksgiving: **and call upon the name of the Lord.**

I will pay my vows to the Lord: **in the presence of all his people,**

In the courts of the house of the Lord: **even in your midst, O Jerusalem. Praise the Lord.**

A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians 11.23-26

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.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John Chapter 13.1-17, 31b-35

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.

When he had gone out, Jesus said, '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.'

For the gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Washing of Feet

Friends in Christ,

We have heard that on the night before his death, Jesus set an example for his disciples by washing their feet, an act of humble service.

I therefore invite you to come forward, that we may recall whose servants we are and remember his teaching, that what is done for us is also to be done for others.

*You are invited to come forward to have your feet washed,
and to do the same for someone else.*

Prayers of the People

Merciful God, on this, the night he was betrayed, your Son Jesus Christ washed his disciples' feet. As we commit ourselves to following his example of love and service, teach us humility.

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

On this night, Jesus prayed for his disciples to be one. As we grieve for the divisions in the church, unite us.

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

On this night, Jesus prayed for those who would come to believe through the disciples' message. As we take up the mission of the church, renew our zeal.

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

On this night, Jesus commanded his friends to love, but he suffered rejection himself. As we open our hearts to the rejected and the unloved, fill us with your love.

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

On this night, Jesus reminded his people that, if the world hated them, it had hated him first. As we face our own fears, we pray for those who are persecuted for their faith; give us your peace.

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

On this night, Jesus loved his friends to the very end, As we open our hearts to all who face darkness tonight, we pray for the sick, those who mourn, those trapped by violence, addiction, or pain: give healing and hope.

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Faithful God, these are the prayers of your Church. We offer them trusting and hoping in you. Hear and help us, challenge and change us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Stripping of the Sanctuary

After the administration of the Holy Communion, the congregation sit or kneel while the linen, ornaments and hangings are removed from the Sanctuary. During this time the lights are extinguished to remind us of the desolation of Jesus.

A watch is kept for an hour following the end of the service.

People depart quietly from the sacred space.

A Message from Roxanne

Dear Friends,

Today marks the beginning of The Three Great Days, the Triduum. From the Eucharist of the Last Supper on Maundy Thursday, Christian worship is a continuum through to the climax of Easter Morning. This holiest time of the year contains different emphases but still reflects the rhythm and story of Jesus Christ.

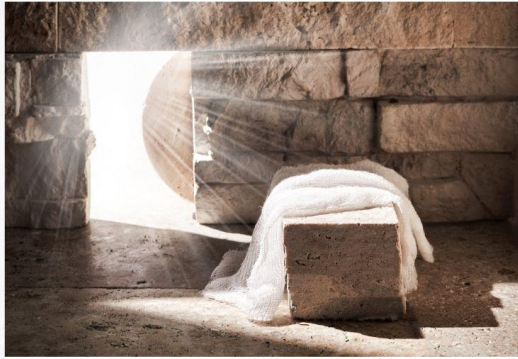
The Watch that follows this evening's liturgy pulls together the themes expressed in the service: the theme of love and service expressed in the Gospel and focussed in the ceremony of the washing of the feet, the institution of the Last Supper as expressed in the New Testament lesson, and the approaching death and resurrection of Jesus as expressed in the stripping of the Sanctuary.

Tonight, you are invited to keep watch in the church in response to Jesus' request, "Could you not stay awake with me one hour?" and the church will remain open for an hour after the service.

My prayer for the Triduum is that you all experience the love of Jesus as you make your way to the foot of the cross.

Grace and Peace to you all, Roxanne.

EASTER SERVICES



**MAR
29**

Good Friday

10:00am The Lord's Passion @ Holy Trinity

**MAR
30**

Holy Saturday

10:00pm Great Easter Vigil @ Christ Church

**MAR
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Easter Sunday

10:00am Holy Communion followed by
celebratory Morning Tea @ Holy Trinity

All are warmly invited to attend any or all services.



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