Maundy Thursday March 28, 2024 Old Swedes Church - 7:00 pm

We welcome you to Old Swedes Church this evening and hope you will find inspiration and strength in the liturgy. Old Swedes Church is part of Trinity Parish, a congregation of the Episcopal Diocese of Delaware. Please fill out a visitor's card so that we can personally welcome you.

Maundy Thursday

The word "Maundy" is derived from Middle English and Old French "mandé", from the Latin *mandatum*, the first word of the phrase "Mandatum novum do vobis ut diligatis invicem sicut dilexi vos" ("A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you"). On this night, two events are commemorated: the washing of the Disciples' feet by Jesus Christ and the institution of the Mystery of the Holy Eucharist at the Last Supper.

The Holy Eucharist Foot Washing and Stripping of the Altar

Gathering Music

"When Twilight Comes"

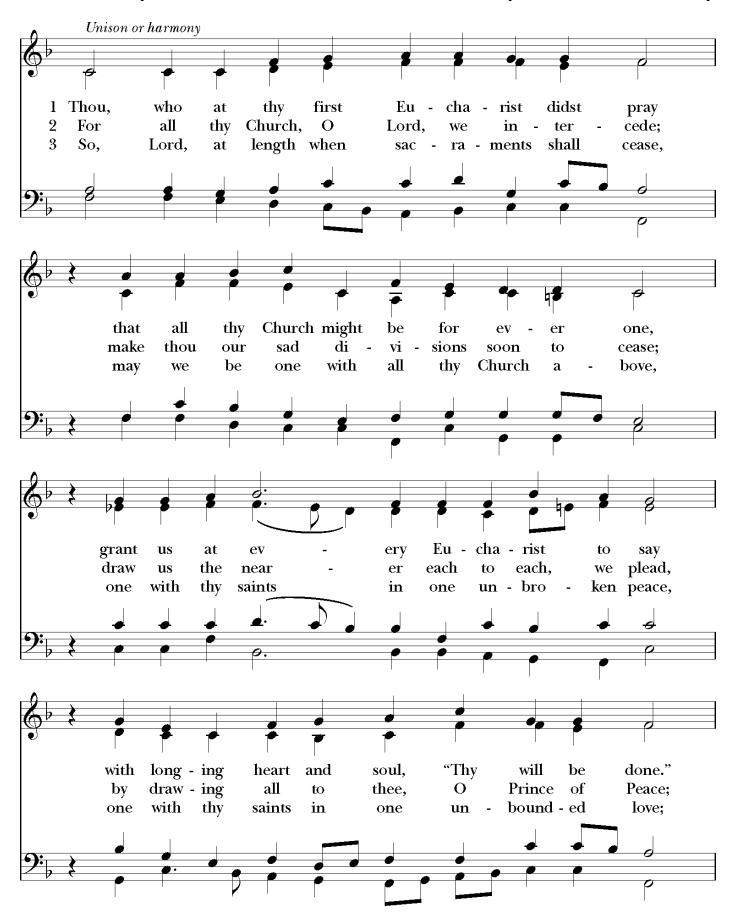
Text: Moises B. Andrade Music: Francisco Feliciano Vivian Holfeld, *Soprano* Michael Polscer, *Tenor*

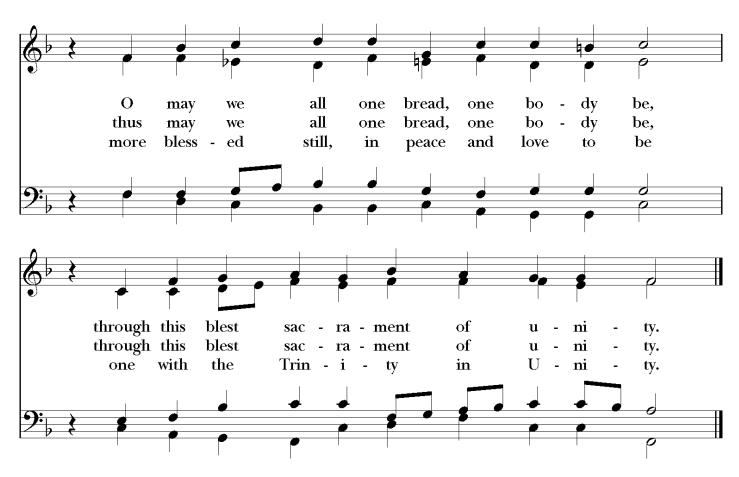
When twilight comes and the sun sets, mother hen prepares for night's rest. As her brood shelters under her wings, she gives the love of God to her nest. Oh! what joy to feel her warm heartbeat and be near her all night long; so the young can find repose, then renew tomorrow's song.

One day the Rabbi, Lord Jesus, called the twelve to share his last meal. As the hen tends her young, so for them he spent himself to seek and to heal. Oh! what joy to be with Christ Jesus, hear his voice, oh! sheer delight, and receive his servant care: all before the coming night.

So gather round once again, friends, touched by fading glow of sun's gold, and recount all our frail human hopes: the dreams of young and stories of old. Oh! what joy to pray close together, kneeling as one family, by a mother's love embraced in the blessed Trinity.

Processional Hymn 315





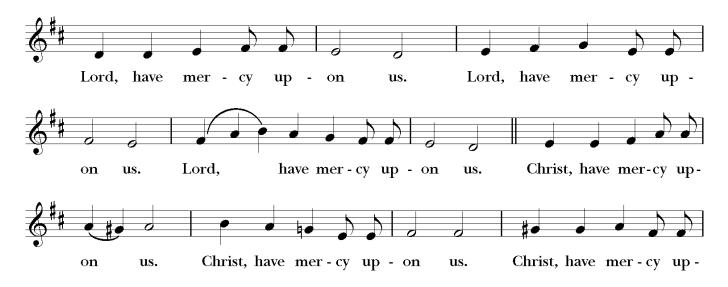
Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins. God's mercy endures for ever.

Collect for Purity *Celebrant and People*

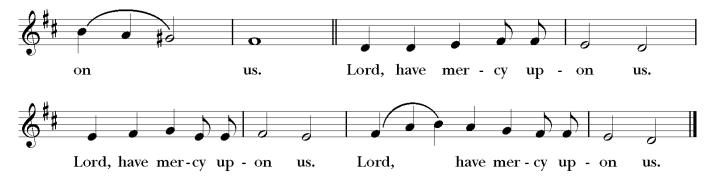
Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Kyrie S-91

Setting from Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena, Healey Willan



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The Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you. *And also with you.* Let us pray.

Almighty Father, whose dear Son, on the night before he suffered, instituted the Sacrament of his Body and Blood: Mercifully grant that we may receive it thankfully in remembrance of Jesus Christ our Lord, who in these holy mysteries gives us a pledge of eternal life; and who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit ever, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Lesson

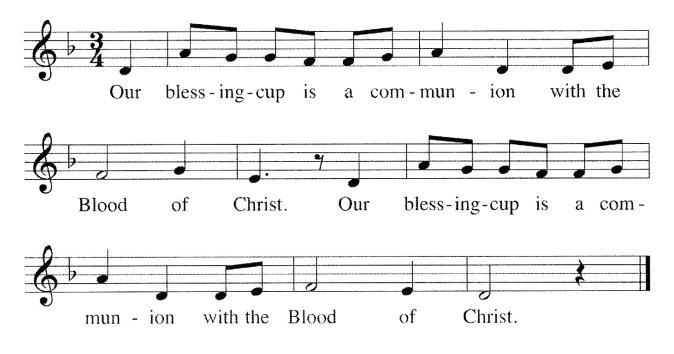
Exodus 12:1-14

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 neighbor 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 judgments: 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.

At the conclusion of the reading, the following is said:

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

"Our Blessing Cup"



The congregation is invited to sing the following refrain in response to the cantor.

The Epistle

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

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.

At the conclusion of the reading, the following is said:

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn

As In That Upper Room You Left Your Seat



The Gospel

John 13:1-17, 31b-35

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

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. 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."

At the conclusion of the reading of the Gospel, the following is said, The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sermon

The Right Reverend Kevin S. Brown

The Ceremony of the Washing of Feet

During the ceremony, the following is said.

- *Celebrant* The Lord Jesus, after he had supped with his disciples and had washed their feet, said to them, "Do you know what I, your Lord and Master, have done to you? I have given you an example, that you should do as I have done."
- People Peace is my last gift to you, my own peace I now leave with you; peace which the world cannot give, I give to you.
- Celebrant I give you a new commandment: Love one another as I have loved you.
- People Peace is my last gift to you, my own peace I now leave with you; peace which the world cannot give, I give to you.
- *Celebrant* By this shall the world know that you are my disciples: That you have love for one another.

The congregation is invited to join the choir in singing the following refrain during the washing of the feet:

Ubi caritas et amor, ubi caritas Deus ibi est. Where true charity and love abide, God is dwelling there, God is dwelling there.

The Prayers of the People

The Lord upholds all those who fall and lifts up all who are bowed down. (Psalm 145:14)

God of love hear the cry of those who yearn for love; fractured families, broken homes, neglected, unwanted, alone. God of love *Hear our prayer*

God of justice hear the cry of those who yearn for justice; persecuted and oppressed, exploited, ill-treated, broken. God of justice *Hear our prayer*

God of peace hear the cry of those who yearn for peace; in battle zones and broken states, frightened, fearful, anxious. God of peace *Hear our prayer*

God of healing hear the cry of those who yearn for healing; physical and spiritual hurting, weakened, depressed, especially Marie Hunt, Mark Levin, Melissa Perry, Anne Digan, Jim Yandle, Andrea Morgan, Frances Whittingham, Rich Mical, Tom Ptoomey, Julia McKay, Paquito Ocasio, Mark Evans, Stephen Warner, Gerardo Plasensia, Jeanne OShea, Lilian Ocasio, and Donald Vavala Sr. God of healing *Hear our prayer*

God of mercy Hear the cry of those who yearn for mercy; convicted, in need of your Grace, contrite, humble, bowed down, God of mercy *Hear our prayer*

I love the LORD, for he heard my voice; he heard my cry for mercy. Because he turned his ear to me, I will call on him as long as I live. (*Psalm 116:1,2*)

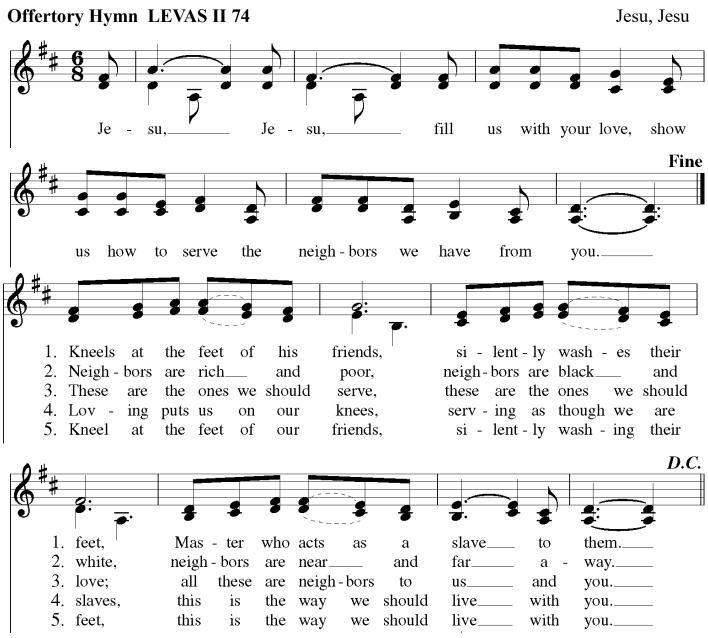
May you know the peace of God, the love of God, the justice of God, the healing and mercy of God, this day and all days. *Amen*

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you. And also with you.

The Holy Communion

All are invited to receive Communion.



Celebrant

All things come of thee, O Lord, *and of thine own have we given thee.*

The Great Thanksgiving

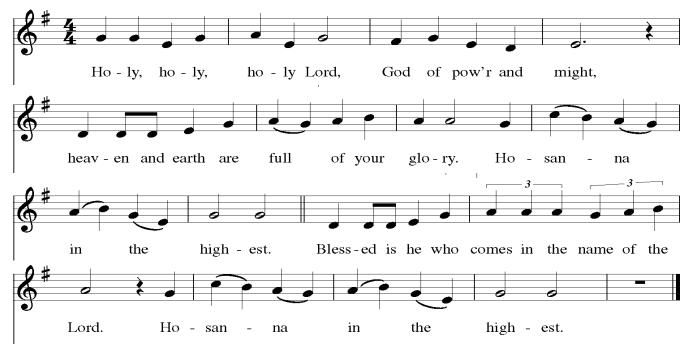
Celebrant	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Celebrant	Lift up your hearts.
People	We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People	It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. For our sins he was lifted high upon the cross, that he might draw the whole world to himself; and, by his suffering and death, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who put their trust in him.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we say:



The Celebrant continues

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love.

You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. *AMEN*.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

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

The Breaking of the Bread

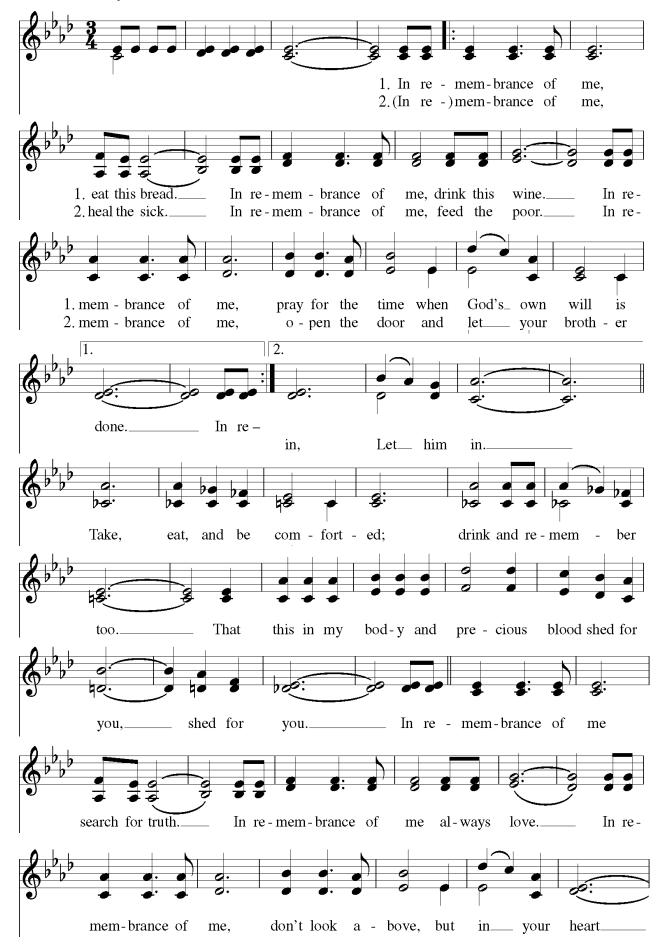
Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. *Therefore let us keep the feast.*

Agnus Dei

Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us. Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us. Jesus, redeemer of the world: give us your peace.

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion Hymn LEVAS II 149





Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant and People

The People may join in saying this prayer.

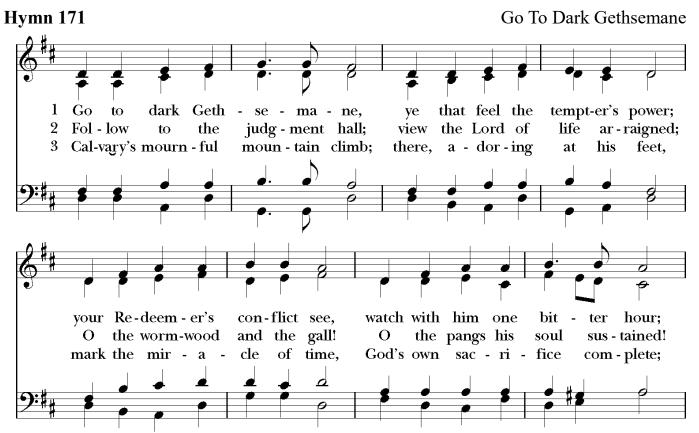
Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

Solemn Prayer

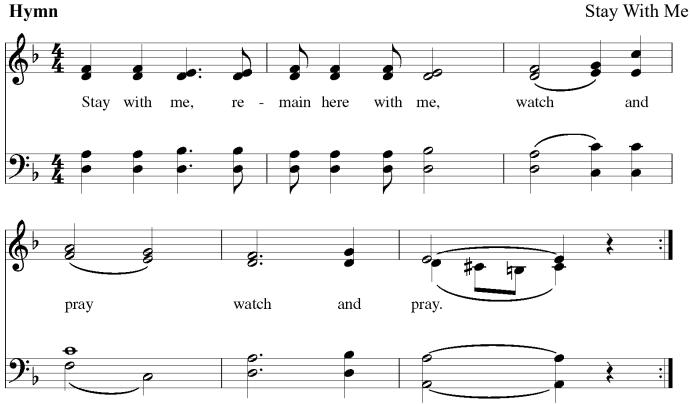
Celebrant Bow down before the Lord.

Almighty God, we pray you graciously to behold this your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, and given into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death upon the cross; who lives and reigns for ever and ever. *Amen*

The Stripping of the Altar







Following the stripping of the altar, the congregation leaves in silence.

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Welcome Hob

For Holy Week

March 29 Good Friday	12 pm in English and 6 pm Via Crucis
March 30 Holy Saturday	10 am Holy Saturday service 7 pm The Great Vigil of Easter (bilingual service)
March 31 Easter Sunday	8 am and 10 am in English, 12 pm en español (Easter egg hunts after each service)

All services are at Trinity Church, unless otherwise noted. Most services available via live stream on Facebook and YouTube. Links and details available on our webpage: www.trinityoldswedes.church.



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