

Maundy Thursday
Choral Eucharist
Mass Setting: *Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena*, Healey Willan (1880-1968)

*(It would probably be easiest to use the All Saints Sunday bulletin, rather than the standard weekly bulletin, as the template. For printed prayers, minister's words are regular type, congregational words are **bold.**)*

(italicized words are not intended to be printed in the bulletin, except for titles of musical selections.)

- THE ENTRANCE -

- **PRELUDE** - Lenglais (in PCO)
- **INTROIT** - *O the Lamb* - Trad. American Campmeeting Melody
- **OPENING HYMN** - The bread of life for all is broken - Hymn 633 SHENG EN
- *(No Call to Worship)*
- Invocation

Minister: Blessed be God who delivers us and gives us fullness of grace and life.

People: **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

Minister & People: On this night, let us remember how Jesus, who knew on that Passover evening that his hour had come to depart from this world loved his own, and he loved them to the end. On this night, let us remember that when the hour came, he took his place at the table, and his disciples with him and gave them the New Commandment: to love one another. And let us remember how Jesus eagerly desired to eat this Passover with us; that we would drink his wine of deliverance and eat his bread of freedom:

Freedom from bondage.

And freedom from oppression.

Freedom from hunger.

And freedom from want.

Freedom from sin.

And freedom from evil.

Freedom from self-righteousness.

And freedom to rejoice.

Freedom from injustice.

And freedom to hope.

Freedom from fear.

And freedom to love.

Set us free in our days, O Lord

And through your presence, have

mercy, O Lord, have mercy

upon us.

- **KYRIE** - *Insert (S 91) as used in Music Sunday*
- Collect of the Day
- *Minister asks for God to open the congregation's hearts to His word, with specific reference to the Lord's institution of the Communion sacrament*

- THE WORD OF GOD -

- First Lesson - Exodus 12: 1-4, 11-14
- *I would be completely fine with not printing the text of the readings in the*

bulletin - there's already so much printed material. if desired, congregants could reference in their pew Bibles?

- **PSALM 116: 1, 10-17**
- *Congregation is invited to stand and sing the psalm. Insert printed in bulletin.*
- Gospel - John 13: 1-17, 31b-35
- *Congregation remains standing.*
- **HYMN OF PREPARATION** - What wondrous love is this - Hymn 292 WONDROUS LOVE
- The Message
- The Blessing of The Disciples
- *This takes the place of the footwashing.*
 - *The minister references Peter's desire to not only have his feet washed, but to be made wholly clean. The minister explains that only the cleansing blessing of Christ can truly wash clean our sins. The minister invites the people to come forward to receive a blessing in preparation for the Passover meal. As each congregant steps forward, the minister touches his/her forehead with water from the Baptismal Font (placed at the front edge of the Chancel).*
- **ANTHEM AT THE BLESSING** - *Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake* - John Hilton (d. 1608)
- The Peace
- *The congregation offers one another signs of God's peace*

- THE HOLY COMMUNION -

- The Great Thanksgiving
- *The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.***
- *Minister continues with the prayer printed in UMH 9*
- **SANCTUS** - *Insert, S 114 - Adam will leave on desk*
- *[printed:] Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith. **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.***
- The Lord's Prayer
- **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, forever. Amen.**
- *Breaking of the Bread*
- **AGNUS DEI** - *Insert from Music Sunday*
- *Invitation*
- *Minister explains how the 12-pace setting of Communion works and invites congregation to receive*
- *The choir does not partake - if they wish, they may receive after the service.*
- **COMMUNION ANTHEM** - *Ave Verum Corpus* - William Byrd (1540-1623)

- *please print translation (below)*

Hail true body,
born of the Virgin Mary.
You who truly suffered and were sacrificed
on the cross for the sake of humankind,
whose pierced side
flowed with water and blood,
be a foretaste for us
in the trial of death.
O sweet, O merciful, O Jesus, son of Mary,
have mercy on me.
Amen.

- Postcommunion Prayer
- *Minister gives thanks for Communion and introduces the events of Gethsemane and Christ's betrayal. Explains the stripping of the altar.*
- **FINAL HYMN** - Go to dark Gethsemane - Hymn 290 REDHEAD
- **THE STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR** - Psalm 22
- *Sung by the choir*
- Blessing
- *Minister foreshadows the events of the crucifixion, but reminds us that the Resurrection is ahead and that even the thief will be with Christ in Paradise*
- **ORISON** - *In paradisum* - Carlo Montes-Botella & Luis Antonio Ruiz
- [Printed:] Following the orison, clergy and congregaton leave in silence.