

Maundy Thursday

April 02, 2026



St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

301 South Circle Drive

Rocky Mount, NC 27804

Maundy Thursday

Holy Eucharist Rite II
April 2, 2026 7:00 p.m.

The Word of God

<i>Prelude</i>	<i>Trio in G Minor</i>	
<i>Introit</i>	<i>Ah Holy Jesus</i>	Choir
	Opening Sentence	BCP 355
	Silence	
	First Lesson	Exodus 12:1-4, [5-10], 11-14
	Psalm	Psalm 116:1, 10-17
	Second Lesson	1 Corinthians 11:23-26
164	<i>Alone Thou Goest Forth</i>	
	Gospel	John 13:1-17, 31b-35
	Homily	Deacon Susan Schrader
	Foot Washing	
	Nicene Creed	BCP 358
	Prayers of the People	<i>Page 3</i>
	The Confession	BCP 360
	The Peace	

The Holy Communion

	Offertory	
	<i>Anthem: What Have We Done?</i>	Choir
	<i>Doxology</i>	
	The Great Thanksgiving	Eucharistic Prayer A
S-125	<i>Sanctus</i>	BCP 361
	Fraction	
	<i>Administration of the Blessed Sacrament</i>	
	<i>Were You There</i>	<i>Handbells: Rita Coggins, Helen Galligan, Tim Knapp</i>
	Post Communion Prayer	BCP 365
	Blessing	
	Stripping of the Altar	
	<i>Silence</i>	

***This evening, there is no formal procession.
The community is invited to remain for silent prayer and reflection.***

It is customary to depart this service in silence.

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Prayers of the People

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;
For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For *Sean* our Presiding Bishop, and Sam and Jennifer our Bishops; and for all bishops and other ministers;
For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.
We pray for those in need, especially [.....]
We pray for those in the Armed Forces, especially [....]

Silence

Hear us, Lord;
For your mercy is great.
We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

We will exalt you, O God our King;
And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. Especially [...]

Silence

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in you.

(Deacon) We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.
Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(Celebrant) Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**



The Stripping of the Altar

On the night before his crucifixion, Jesus asked his disciples to watch with him one hour. On Maundy Thursday, as we recall the Last Supper and Jesus' last night with his disciples, we remove all adornment from the altar.

The action symbolized our willingness to watch with our Lord. Liturgically, our life will stand still. We observe the crucifixion in our solemn Good Friday Liturgy. But not until the joy of Easter morning will the altar be again transformed into the center of our worship and will our sharing of the Blessed Sacrament resume.

Our leaving the church in silence this evening emphasizes our shared commitment to watch with Jesus.