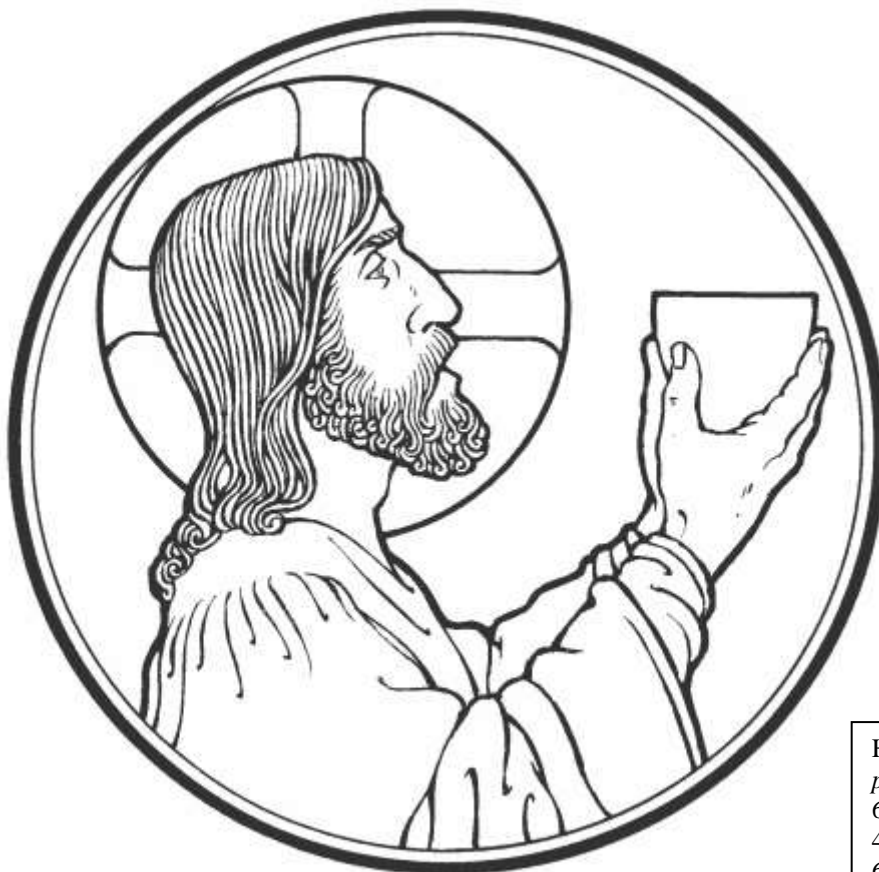


New Hope Lutheran Church

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Maundy Thursday



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**NEW HOPE IS A CONGREGATION GATHERED AROUND CHRIST**

**WE RECEIVE HIS FORGIVENESS IN WORD AND SACRAMENT;**

**WE PROCLAIM CHRIST CRUCIFIED AND RISEN;**

**WE SHARE OUR BLESSINGS WITH OTHERS**

## Wel come!

*We're glad you've joined us as we gather to receive God's gifts of forgiveness, life, and salvation. To prepare for the Divine Service, you are encouraged to pray the prayers inside the front cover of your hymnal. As you prepare for communion, please read the statement on page 8.*

## Corporate Confession and Absolution

*Stand*

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen.**
- P** I will go to the altar of God,
- C** **to God my exceeding joy.**
- P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C** **who made heaven and earth.**

*Sit*

- P** Beloved in the Lord, it is our intention to receive the Holy Supper of our Lord Jesus Christ, in which He strengthens our faith by giving us His body to eat and His blood to drink. Therefore, it is proper that we diligently examine ourselves, as St. Paul urges us to do, for this holy Sacrament has been instituted for the special comfort of those who are troubled because of their sin and who humbly confess their sins, fear God's wrath, and hunger and thirst for righteousness.

But when we examine our hearts and consciences, we find nothing in us but sin and death, from which we are incapable of delivering ourselves. Therefore, our Lord Jesus Christ has had mercy on us. For our benefit He became man so that He might fulfill for us the whole will and law of God and, to deliver us, took upon Himself our sin and the punishment we deserve.

So that we may more confidently believe this and be strengthened in the faith and in holy living, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread, broke it, and gave it to His disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you." It is as if He said, "I became man, and all that I do and suffer is for your good. As a pledge of this, I give you My body to eat."

In the same way also He took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.” Again, it is as if He said, “I have had mercy on you by taking into Myself all your iniquities. I give Myself into death, shedding My blood to obtain grace and forgiveness of sins, and to comfort and establish the new testament, which gives forgiveness and everlasting salvation. As a pledge of this, I give you My blood to drink.”

Therefore, whoever eats this bread and drinks this cup, confidently believing this Word and promise of Christ, dwells in Christ and Christ in him and has eternal life.

We should also do this in remembrance of Him, showing His death—that He was delivered for our offenses and raised for our justification. Giving Him our most heartfelt thanks, we take up our cross and follow Him and, according to His commandment, love one another as He has loved us. For we are all one bread and one body, even as we are all partakers of this one bread and drink from the one cup. For just as the one cup is filled with wine of many grapes and one bread made from countless grains, so also we, being many, are one body in Christ. Because of Him, we love one another, not only in word, but in deed and in truth.

May the almighty and merciful God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, by His Holy Spirit, accomplish this in us.

**C** Amen.

**P** Having heard the Word of God, let us confess our sins to Him, imploring Him for the sake of His Son Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

*Kneel/Stand*

**C** **O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

**P** God be merciful to you and strengthen your faith.

**C** Amen.

**P** Do you believe that the forgiveness I speak is not my forgiveness but God’s?

**C** Yes.

**P** Let it be done for you as you believe.

*Absolution will be offered individually at the altar rail today. If you desire to receive it, the ushers will invite you forward to kneel at the altar rail as we do for communion.*

*The pastor will absolve the penitents individually at the rail, holding his hands over the head of each and pronouncing the following absolution:*

- P** In the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen.** (*Once you have received the absolution, you may return to your seat.*)

*After all have returned to their seats, the pastor speaks the following blessing:*

- P** Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit, soul, and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful; He will surely do it. Go in ✠ peace.
- C** **Amen.**

## Service of the Word

### Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** **And with thy spirit.**
- P** Let us pray.  
O Lord, in this wondrous Sacrament You have left us a remembrance of Your passion. Grant that we may so receive the sacred mystery of Your body and blood that the fruits of Your redemption may continually be manifest in us; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** **Amen.**

*Sit*

### Old Testament Reading

*Exodus 12:1–14*

<sup>1</sup>The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, <sup>2</sup>“This month shall be for you the beginning of months. It shall be the first month of the year for you. <sup>3</sup>Tell all the congregation of Israel that on the tenth day of this month every man shall take a lamb according to their fathers’ houses, a lamb for a household. <sup>4</sup>And if the household is too small for a lamb, then he and his nearest neighbor shall take according to the number of persons; according to what each can eat you shall make your count for the lamb. <sup>5</sup>Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male a year old. You may take it from the sheep or from the goats, <sup>6</sup>and you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month, when the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill their lambs at twilight.

<sup>7</sup>“Then 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. <sup>8</sup>They shall eat the flesh that night, roasted on the fire; with unleavened bread and bitter herbs they shall eat it. <sup>9</sup>Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted, its head with its legs and its inner parts. <sup>10</sup>And you shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. <sup>11</sup>In this manner you shall eat it: with your belt fastened, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand. And you shall eat it in haste. It is the LORD’s Passover. <sup>12</sup>For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD. <sup>13</sup>The blood shall be a sign for you, on the houses where you are. And when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague will befall you to destroy you, when I strike the land of Egypt.

<sup>14</sup>“This day shall be for you a memorial day, and you shall keep it as a feast to the LORD; throughout your generations, as a statute forever, you shall keep it as a feast.”

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**G** Thanks be to God.

**Psalm** (*Congregation speaks text in bold*).

*Psalm 116:12–19; antiphon: v. 17*

<sup>12</sup>What shall I render to the LORD  
for all his benefits to me?

<sup>13</sup>**I will lift up the cup of salvation  
and call on the name of the LORD,**

<sup>14</sup>I will pay my vows to the LORD  
in the presence of all his people.

<sup>15</sup>**Precious in the sight of the LORD  
is the death of his saints.**

<sup>16</sup>O LORD, I am your servant;  
I am your servant, the son of your maidservant.  
You have loosed my bonds.

<sup>17</sup>**I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanksgiving  
and call on the name of the LORD.**

<sup>18</sup>I will pay my vows to the LORD  
in the presence of all his people,

<sup>19</sup>**in the courts of the house of the LORD,  
in your midst, O Jerusalem. Praise the LORD!**

**Epistle**

*1 Corinthians 11:23–32*

<sup>23</sup>For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, <sup>24</sup>and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, “This is my body which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.” <sup>25</sup>In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as

you drink it, in remembrance of me.”<sup>26</sup>For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.

<sup>27</sup>Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of profaning the body and blood of the Lord. <sup>28</sup>Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. <sup>29</sup>For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself. <sup>30</sup>That is why many of you are weak and ill, and some have died. <sup>31</sup>But if we judged ourselves truly, we would not be judged. <sup>32</sup>But when we are judged by the Lord, we are disciplined so that we may not be condemned along with the world.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

**Tract** (*Congregation speaks text in bold*).

*Psalm 111:4–5; John 6:55–56*

He has caused his wondrous works to be remembered;  
the LORD is gracious and merciful.

**He provides food for those who fear him;  
he remembers his covenant forever.**

My flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink.

Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him.

**Holy Gospel**

*John 13:1–15*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the thirteenth chapter.

**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>Now before the Feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart out of this world to the Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. <sup>2</sup>During supper, when the devil had already put it into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon’s son, to betray him, <sup>3</sup>Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going back to God, <sup>4</sup>rose from supper. He laid aside his outer garments, and taking a towel, tied it around his waist. <sup>5</sup>Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples’ feet and to wipe them with the towel that was wrapped around him. <sup>6</sup>He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, “Lord, do you wash my feet?” <sup>7</sup>Jesus answered him, “What I am doing you do not understand now, but afterward you will understand.” <sup>8</sup>Peter said to him, “You shall never wash my feet.” Jesus answered him, “If I do not wash you, you have no share with me.” <sup>9</sup>Simon Peter said to him, “Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!” <sup>10</sup>Jesus said to him, “The one who has bathed does not need to wash, except for his feet, but is completely clean. And you are clean, but not every one of you.” <sup>11</sup>For he knew who was to betray him; that was why he said, “Not all of you are clean.”

<sup>12</sup>When he had washed their feet and put on his outer garments and resumed his place, he said to them, “Do you understand what I have done to you? <sup>13</sup>You call me Teacher and Lord,

and you are right, for so I am. <sup>14</sup>If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. <sup>15</sup>For I have given you an example, that you also should do just as I have done to you."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

## Nicene Creed

**C** I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life  $\dagger$  of the world to come. Amen.

*Sit*

**Hymn of the Day: 617 O Lord, We Praise Thee**

**Sermon**

**Prayer of the Church** *Please turn to page 288 in your hymnal to pray the Litany together.*

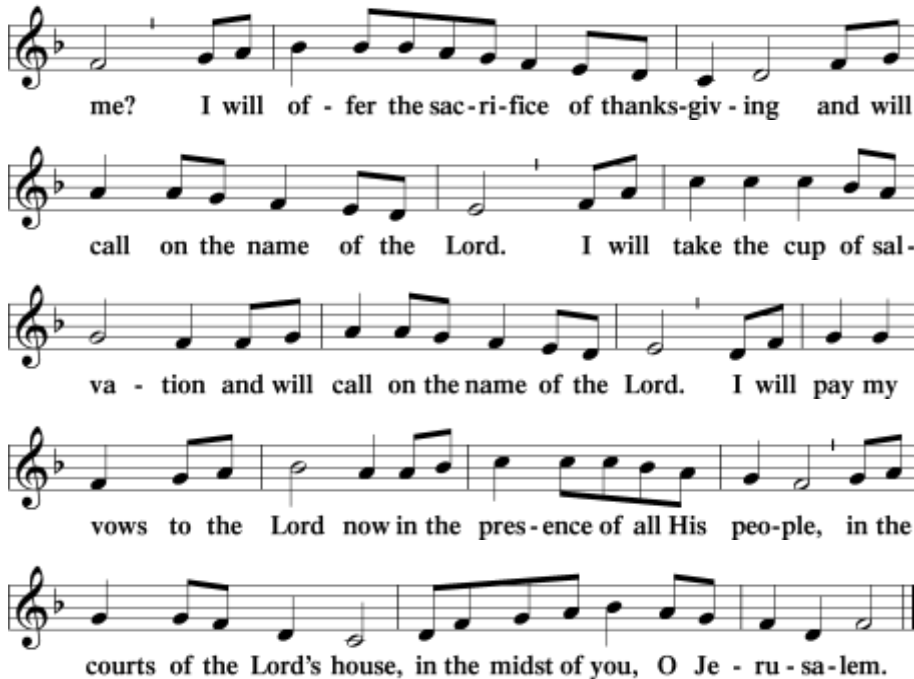
**Offering** *(Offerings placed in the plates at the sanctuary doors will be carried forward during the singing of the Offertory below. Plates will still be available near the sanctuary doors for those who wish to offer their gifts to the Lord following the service.)*

**Offertory**

*LSB 159*



**C** What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to



me? I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will  
 call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-  
 va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my  
 vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people, in the  
 courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

## Service of the Sacrament

*God's Word states that in the Lord's Supper Jesus offers His true body and blood for the forgiveness of sins (Matt. 26:28), that partaking of this Supper together is a confession of our unity in faith (1 Cor. 10:16–17) and that the body and blood of Jesus can be received to one's harm (1 Cor. 11:27–32). Out of love for those who commune, New Hope Lutheran Church communes only those who*

- 1. Have been taught and examined in the Christian faith,*
- 2. Confess their sins and trust in Christ for forgiveness,*
- 3. Have made a public confession of their agreement with us in this one Scriptural faith through membership in this congregation or another congregation of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.*
- 4. Have spoken with the pastor prior to the service regarding communion.*

*If you are not a communicant member of New Hope or another LCMS congregation, you are invited to come up for a blessing; please cross your arms during the distribution.*

### **Preface** (*Spoken*)

LSB 160

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** **And also with you.**
- P** Lift up your hearts.
- C** **We lift them to the Lord.**



**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

**P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who accomplished the salvation of mankind by the tree of the cross that, where death arose, there life also might rise again and that the serpent who overcame by the tree of the garden might likewise by the tree of the cross be overcome. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

### Sanctus

*LSB 161*



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -



san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

### Prayer of Thanksgiving

*LSB 161*

### Lord's Prayer

*LSB 162*

### The Words of Our Lord

### Pax Domini (*Spoken*)

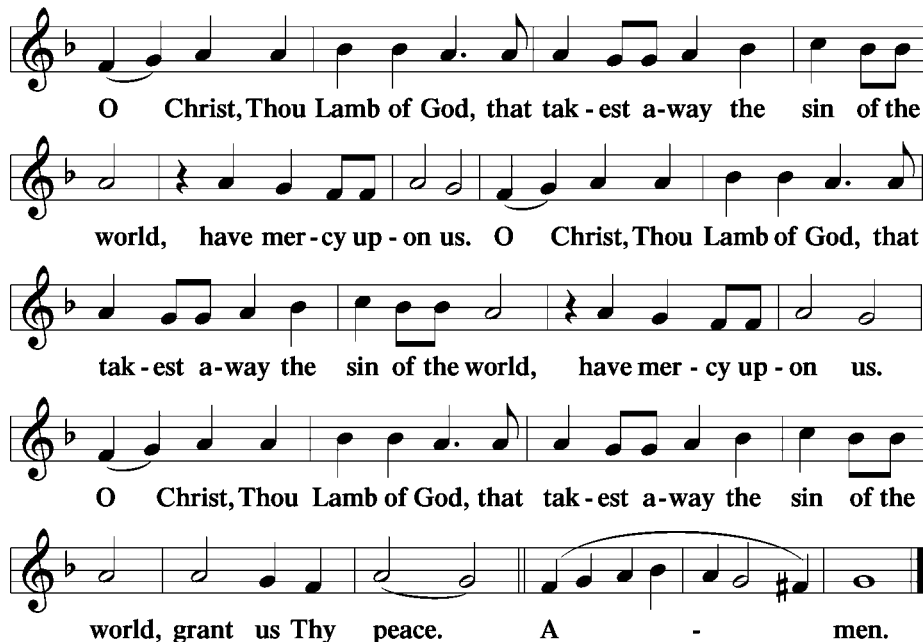
*LSB 163*

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** Amen.

## Agnus Dei

LSB 198



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the sin of the  
world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that  
tak - est a - way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.  
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the sin of the  
world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

*Sit*

**Distribution Hymn:** *My Song is Love Unknown (Choir)*

**445 When You Woke That Thursday Morning**

**627 Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior**

*Stand*

## Thanksgiving

LSB 200

- A** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
- C** and His mercy endureth forever.

- A** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

- C** Amen.

## Stripping of the Altar

*The communion vessels are reverently removed from the altar, the altar is stripped, and the chancel is cleared in preparation for the solemn services of Good Friday.*

*The altar is stripped as the choir sings Psalm 22, the psalm Jesus quoted from the cross of Good Friday. You can find Psalm 22 in the front of your hymnal (the pages for the Psalms are not numbered). An antiphon (v. 1) will be sung at the beginning and at several other points throughout the singing of the psalm.*

***Once the stripping of the altar is complete and the pastor leaves, the congregation leaves in silence.*** We return tomorrow at 7 pm, to continue the Service and focus on the Cross of Good Friday.

Please join us for these Upcoming Services

Friday, April 7	Good Friday Service 7 pm
Saturday, April 8	Easter Vigil Service, 7 pm
Sunday, April 9	Easter Morning Services 7 am & 10 am <i>Breakfast served between services beginning at 8:30 am</i>
Wednesday, May 17	Eve of the Ascension of Our Lord Divine Service, 7 pm

# Maundy Thursday

By God’s direction through Moses, the Passover Feast was celebrated on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of *Abib*, the first month of the ancient Jewish calendar (Exodus 12:1-20). The Passover was part of the week-long observance of the Feast of Unleavened Bread (Exodus 23:15), instituted as an annual remembrance by Israel of God’s greatest act of deliverance in the Old Testament—His saving of His people from Egyptian bondage.

At the third Passover meal of our Lord’s “earthly ministry”, He instituted the New Testament. In so doing, He put in place a new and better Meal, a Meal in which by Sacramental Union He gives His Body with the Bread, and His Blood with the Wine. Although the drinking of blood was prohibited in the Old Testament (Leviticus 17:10-11), because “the life is in the blood”, in the New Testament, the one who drinks the Blood of Christ, the Lamb of God, the Lamb to whom all Old Testament sacrifices pointed, receives forgiveness of sins (Matthew 26:28), and the new life He took up in His glorious Resurrection—life eternal.

The name “Maundy Thursday” is derived from the Latin *Mandatum Novum*, or “a new command.” At the Last Supper, the Lord said to His disciples, gathered in the Upper Room for the Passover Feast, “A new commandment I give unto you, that ye love one another, as I have loved you, that ye also love one another.” (John 13:34) This command of our Lord has long been associated with the washing of the feet, as He did to His disciples, a liturgical ceremony known as “The Maundy”.

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