



Christ *the* King

ANGLICAN CHURCH

The LITURGY of FOOT-WASHING, HOLY
COMMUNION & *the* STRIPPING of the ALTAR
on MAUNDY THURSDAY , 2026 A.D.



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Welcome to Christ the King Anglican Church! The liturgy is entirely contained within this booklet. In general, we stand (*) to sing, sit to listen, and kneel (†) to pray. **Boldface** indicates congregational participation. At Holy Communion, all baptized Christians who love our Divine Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ in sincerity and are living in peace and charity with their neighbors are invited to receive the Eucharist.

CONCERNING MAUNDY THURSDAY

The Paschal mystery—the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ—is at the heart of the Christian Gospel. The evening of Maundy Thursday begins the Triduum (the sacred three days). This service, together with Good Friday, Holy Saturday, and The Great Vigil of Easter, form a single liturgy; thus, the final blessing and dismissal is reserved for the conclusion of the Great Vigil.

Maundy Thursday receives its name from the mandatum (commandment) given by our Lord: “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) . At the Last Supper, Jesus washed his disciples’ feet and commanded them to love and serve one another as he had done. This day commemorates the Lord’s example of servant ministry, the institution of the Eucharist, the agony in the Garden of Gethsemane, and the betrayal leading to the crucifixion.

1. My song is love un - known, My Sav - ior's love to
 2. Christ came from heav - en's throne Sal - va - tion to be -
 3. Some - times they strew his way, And his sweet prais - es
 4. They rise and needs will have My dear Lord made a -
 5. In life no house, no home, My Lord on earth might

me, Love to the love - less shown, That they might
 stow, But men made strange, and none The longed - for
 sing, Re - sound - ing loud ho - san - nas to their
 way; A mur - der - er they save, The Prince of
 have; In death, no friend - ly tomb But what a

love - ly be. O who am I, That
 Christ would know. But O my Friend, My
 Lord and King. Then "Cru - ci - fy!" Is
 Life they slay. Yet stead - fast he To
 stran - ger gave. What may I say? Heav'n

for my sake The Lord should take Frail flesh and die?
 Friend in - deed, Who at my need His life did spend!
 all their breath, And for his death They thirst and cry.
 suf - f'ring goes, That he his foes From thence might free.
 was his home, And mine the tomb Where - in he lay.

THE HOMILY

Notes

The Invitation

The Lord Jesus, rising from supper, laid aside his outer garments, took a towel, and washed his disciples' feet. Then he said unto them, Know ye what I have done to you? If I then, your Lord and Master, have washed your feet; ye also ought to wash one another's feet. John 13:12,14

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

Fellow servants of our Lord Jesus Christ: On the night before his death, Jesus set an example for his disciples by washing their feet, an act of humble service. He taught that strength and growth in the life of the kingdom of God come not by worldly power and authority, but by such lowly service.

Therefore, I invite you who have been appointed as representatives of the Congregation to come forward, that we may recall whose servants we are by following the example of our Master. Come now remembering his admonition that what will be done for you is also to be done by you to others. Engrave on your hearts and mirror in your actions Jesus' words: "The servant is not greater than his lord; neither he that is sent greater than he that sent him. If ye know these things, happy are ye if ye do them."

Please remove your shoes and socks in your pews, and (if applicable) roll up your pant legs. All should come forward down the center aisle and take turns in one of the chairs up front. The ushers will direct you. When your feet have been washed, return to your seat.

THE FOOT-WASHING

THE ORDER FOR HOLY COMMUNION

†The Collect for Purity

ALMIGHTY God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid; Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

†The Summary of the Law

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith.

THOU shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it; Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

†*Kyrie eleison*

Missæ Marialis

L ORD, * have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon
us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

†The Collect for Maundy Thursday

ALMIGHTY Father, whose dear Son, on the night before he suffered, did institute the Sacrament of his Body and Blood; Mercifully grant that we may thankfully receive the same in remembrance of him, who in these holy mysteries giveth us a pledge of life eternal; the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who now liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit ever, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

The Epistle: Corinthians 11:23

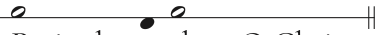
I have received of the Lord that which also I delivered unto you, That the Lord Jesus the same night in which he was betrayed took bread: and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and said, Take, eat: this is my body, which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of me After the same manner also he took the cup, when he had supped, saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me. For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till he come.

*The Holy Gospel: St. John 13:1

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Glory be to thee, O Lord.

NOW before the feast of the passover, when Jesus knew that his hour was come that he should depart out of this world unto the Father, having loved his own which were in the world, he loved them unto the end. And supper being ended, the devil having now put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him; Jesus knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he was come from God, and went to God; he riseth from supper, and laid aside his garments; and took a towel, and girded himself. After that he poureth water into a bason, and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel wherewith he was girded. Then cometh he to

Simon Peter: and Peter saith unto him, Lord, dost thou wash my feet? Jesus answered and said unto him, What I do thou knowest not now; but thou shalt know hereafter. Peter saith unto him, Thou shalt never wash my feet. Jesus answered him, If I wash thee not, thou hast no part with me. Simon Peter saith unto him, Lord, not my feet only, but also my hands and my head. Jesus saith to him, He that is washed needeth not save to wash his feet, but is clean every whit: and ye are clean, but not all. For he knew who should betray him; therefore said he, Ye are not all clean. So after he had washed their feet, and had taken his garments, and was set down again, he said unto them, Know ye what I have done to you? Ye call me Master and Lord: and ye say well; for so I am. If I then, your Lord and Master, have washed your feet; ye also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have given you an example, that ye should do as I have done to you.


 Praise be to thee, O Christ.

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Tune: from plainsong (*Missa de Angelis*)

* The Nicene Creed

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 Ghost 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 sitteth on the right hand of the Father: And he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord, and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; Who spake by the Prophets: And I believe one, holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church: I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins: And I look for the Resurrection of the dead: And the Life of the world to come. Amen.

Offertory: *Clergy Choir: In Manus Tuas*

* Presentation

OLD HUNDREDTH

†Prayer for the whole state of Christ's Church

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men; We humbly beseech thee most mercifully to accept our alms and oblations, and to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy Divine Majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: And grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

WE beseech thee also, so to direct and dispose the hearts of all Christian Rulers, that they may truly and impartially administer justice, to the punishment of wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of thy true religion, and virtue.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops and other Ministers, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy People give thy heavenly grace; and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear, and receive thy holy Word; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

And we also † bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear; beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service, and to give us grace so to follow their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

†A General Confession & Absolution

YE who do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways; Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, devoutly kneeling.

(Here, we pause briefly to recall our sins.)

ALmighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men; We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty, Provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; The remembrance of them is grievous unto us; The burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

ALmighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him; Have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

†Comfortable Words

Hear what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith unto all who truly turn to him.

COME unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. St. Matt. xi. 28.

So God loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. St. John iii. 16.

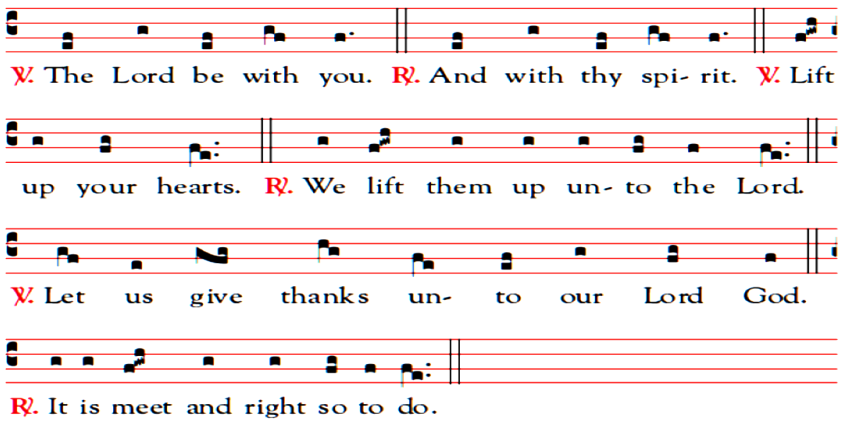
Hear also what Saint Paul saith.

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, That Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. 1 Tim. i. 15.

Hear also what Saint John saith.

If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the Propitiation for our sins. 1 St. John ii. 1, 2.

† *Sursum corda*



V. The Lord be with you. R. And with thy spi- rit. V. Lift
 up your hearts. R. We lift them up un- to the Lord.
 V. Let us give thanks un- to our Lord God.
 R. It is meet and right so to do.

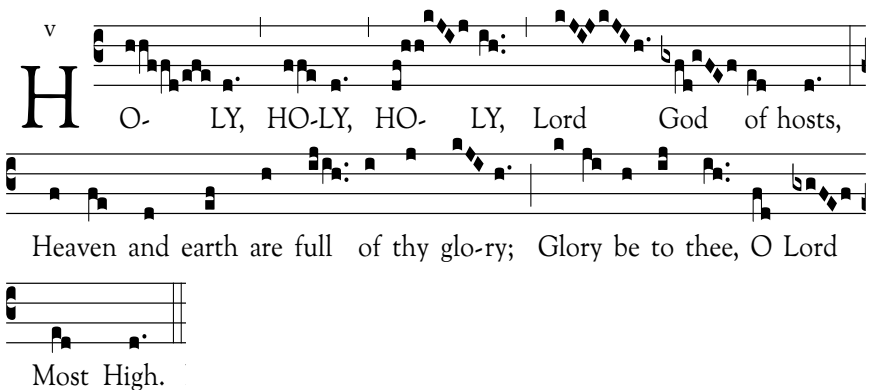
† *Preface*

IT is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God.

THEFORE with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

† *Sanctus & Benedictus*

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H O- LY, HO-LY, HO- LY, Lord God of hosts,
 Heaven and earth are full of thy glo-ry; Glory be to thee, O Lord
 Most High.


†The Prayer of Consecration (*from the 1662 liturgy*)

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death on the Cross for our redemption; who made there (by his one oblation of himself once offered) a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death, until his coming again: Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed body and blood: who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took Bread; and, when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me. † Likewise after supper, he took the Cup; and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins; Do this, as often as you drink it, of me. † Amen.

And now, as our Saviour Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

†The Lord's Prayer

Missa Marialis



O UR 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 e-vil. For thine is the kingdom,
and the pow'r and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

†Prayer for Humble Access

WE do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his Body, and our souls washed through his most precious Blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen

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LAMB of God, that tak-est away the sins of the world,
 have mer-cy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins
 of the world, have mer-cy upon us. O Lamb of God, that tak-est
 away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

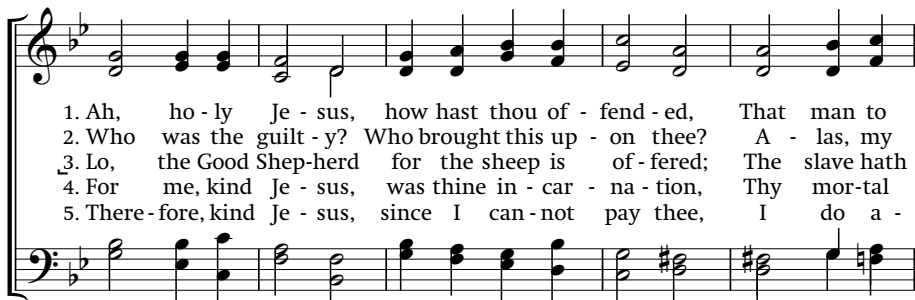
If you are baptized into God's family and you sincerely love Christ, then you are welcome to partake of His Sacrament, whether you are a member of the Reformed Episcopal Church or another Christian denomination. To partake by the Common Cup, simply ingest the consecrated host that is placed in your palm. To partake by Intinction (where the consecrated host is dipped in the Precious Blood and placed upon your tongue), leave the consecrated host in your palm. If you are not receiving Holy Communion today, either because you are not baptized or for conscience's sake, you are still invited forward to receive a blessing. Indicate this preference by crossing your arms over your chest. Baptized children are welcome to receive Holy Communion if that is the practice and desire of the parents. If you have a severe gluten allergy, you may receive consecrated gluten-free hosts in the small section to the far right of the Communion rail. If you are returning to church after a long time away, you are encouraged to wait to receive Communion until you speak to one of the clergy. Instead, receive a blessing at the rail.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

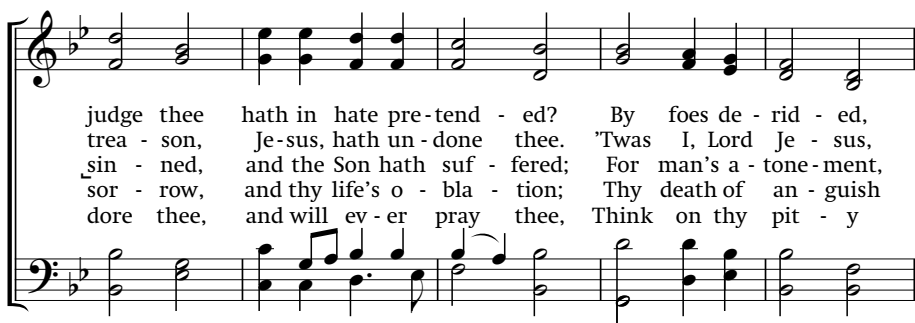
All are invited to sing the following hymns during the time when we receive communion:

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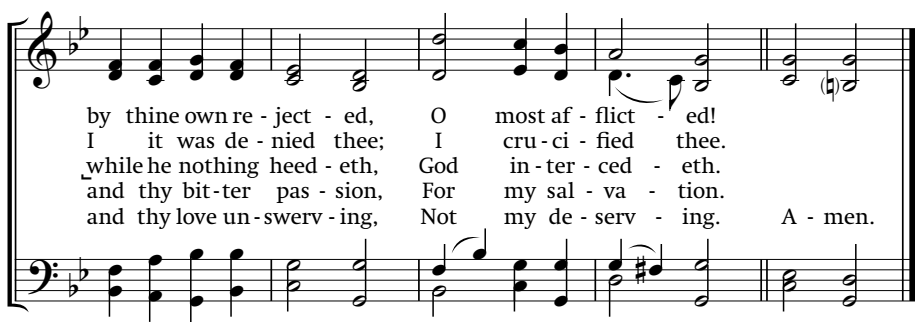
PASSIONTIDE



1. Ah, ho - ly Je - sus, how hast thou of - fend - ed, That man to
2. Who was the guilt - y? Who brought this up - on thee? A - las, my
3. Lo, the Good Shep - herd for the sheep is of - fered; The slave hath
4. For me, kind Je - sus, was thine in - car - na - tion, Thy mor - tal
5. There - fore, kind Je - sus, since I can - not pay thee, I do a -



judge thee hath in hate pre - tend - ed? By foes de - rid - ed,
treason, Je - sus, hath un - done thee. 'Twas I, Lord Je - sus,
sinned, and the Son hath suf - fered; For man's a - tone - ment,
sorrow, and thy life's o - bla - tion; Thy death of an - guish
dore thee, and will ev - er pray thee, Think on thy pit - y



by thine own re - ject - ed, O most af - flict - ed!
I it was de - nied thee; I cru - ci - fied thee.
while he nothing heed - eth, God in - ter - ced - eth.
and thy bit - ter pas - sion, For my sal - va - tion.
and thy love un - swerv - ing, Not my de - serv - ing. A - men.

1. Go to dark Geth - se - ma-ne, Ye that feel the tempt-er's pow'r;
 2. Fol - low to the judg-ment hall; View the Lord of life ar-raigned;
 3. Cal-v'ry's mournful moun-tain climb; There, a - dor-ing at his feet,

Your Re-deem-er's con-flict see; Watch with him one bit - ter hour;
 O the worm-wood and the gall! O the pangs his soul sus - tained!
 Mark the mir - a - cle of time, God's own sac - ri - fice com - plete;

Turn not from his griefs a-way; Learn of Je - sus Christ to pray.
 Shun not suf-f'ring, shame, or loss; Learn of him to bear the cross.
 "It is fin-ished!" hear him cry; Learn of Je - sus Christ to die.

Text: James Montgomery, 1825
 Tune: Richard Redhead, 1853

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Transitional Hymn: *'Twas on that dark, that doleful night*

1. *'Twas on that dark, that doleful night When pow'rs of earth and hell
arose Against the Son of God's delight, And friends betrayed Him to
His foes:*

2. *Before the mournful scene began, He took the bread, and blessed,
and brake: What love through all His actions ran! What wondrous
words of grace He spake!*

3. *"This is My body, broke for sin; Receive and eat the living food:"
Then took the cup, and blessed the wine; "'Tis the new cov'nant in My
blood."*

4. *For us His flesh with nails was torn, He bore the scourge, He felt the
thorn; And justice poured upon His head Its heavy vengeance in our
stead.*

5. *For us His vital blood was spilt, To buy the pardon of our guilt,
When, for black crimes of biggest size, He gave His soul a sacrifice.*

6. *"Do this," He cried, "till time shall end, In memory of your dying
friend; Meet at My table, and record The love of your departed Lord."*

7. *Jesus, Thy feast we celebrate, We show Thy death, we sing Thy name,
Till Thou return, and we shall eat The marriage supper of the Lamb.*

THE STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR

During this section of the Liturgy, all fixtures and beautification of the altar are removed, showing that Jesus faced the grim reality of the Cross alone. Though we have strived all of Lent to walk with Christ toward Golgotha, this is as far as we can go with Him. We are no better than His disciples who fled. We, too, must simply watch as He accomplishes our salvation for us. The lights are progressively dimmed symbolizing the transition from the sweetness of the Upper Room to the terrible darkness of Gethsemane.

The Cross is veiled to show the terror of the task set before Jesus. It was on this very night in Gethsemane that He sweat drops of blood, asking God to allow His task to pass from Him. While the altar is stripped, the Choir will sing four songs: "Ah holy Jesus", "Cross of Jesus, cross of sorrow", "Bread of the world in mercy broken", and "Tis' midnight and on Olive's brow".

The "strepitus" (loud sound) at the very end of the Liturgy harkens back to Christ's words to His disciples, "Sleep on now, and take your rest: behold, the hour is at hand, and the Son of man is betrayed into the hands of sinners." (Matthew 26:45) There is a note of shame in it, and we are left with a combination of guilt and gratitude.

*After the Liturgy concludes, **the congregation leaves in silence and darkness.** You are encouraged to keep a Great Silence until tomorrow morning.*