

GARROWBYBENEFICE

**Maundy
Service**



Opening Music: The Servant King

Welcome

Opening Responses

Priest: Out of the darkness came light;

ALL AND THE POWER OF GOD WAS REVEALED

Priest: In the sun moon and stars

All: IN THE SHOWERS AND THE DEW

Priest: Out of the dust came life;

ALL AND THE IMAGE OF GOD WAS REVEALED

Priest: In the human face and the gentle heart,

All: IN THE WARMTH OF FLESH AND THE DEPTH OF SOUL

Priest: Out of justice came freedom;

ALL AND THE WISDOM OF GOD WAS REVEALED

Priest: In the need to grow and the will to love,

All: IN THE CHANCE TO KNOW AND THE POWER TO CHOOSE

Priest: And God looked at the creation,

ALL AND BEHOLD, IT WAS VERY GOOD.

PRAYERS OF ADORATION

Priest: We will keep on thanking God with constant words of prayer.
We will glory in the living God:
the humble will hear and be glad.
Let us pray.

Living God, our loving parent: you cherish your creation and we praise you.

With earth, air, water, fire: in our element as your children, we praise you.

With our lips, with our lives, in all our diversity, each one made in your image, we praise you.

Because you share our human lives, our sorrow and joy, we praise you.

Because you are at work today: encouraging, enabling, surprising us, in the world's places of beauty and of pain, in the mystery of the mundane, we praise you.

Poor as we are, you give us hope: salt of the earth, you give us meaning and purpose and we praise you.

ALL AMEN

Reading: Luke 22 7-13

The Preparation of the Passover

Then came the day of Unleavened Bread, on which the Passover lamb had to be sacrificed. So Jesus[a] sent Peter and John, saying, 'Go and prepare the Passover meal for us that we may eat it.' They asked him, 'Where do you want us to make preparations for it?' 'Listen,' he said to them, 'when you have entered the city, a man carrying a jar of water will meet you; follow him into the house he enters and say to the owner of the house, "The teacher asks you, 'Where is the guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?'" He will show you a large room upstairs, already furnished. Make preparations for us there.' So they went and found everything as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover meal.

Peter's meditation on the last full day with the earthly Jesus

Music: A new commandment

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Priest: Our praise fills us with a sense
of God's goodness. In our weakness and our struggle to be good,
God is our strength.
God's grace meets us now to renew us, re orientate us, restore us.
We call on the power of God to meet us in our helplessness:

ALL GOD IN OUR THINKING, GOD IN OUR SPEAKING.

Priest: We call on the clarity of God to meet us in our confusion:

ALL GOD IN OUR ACTING, GOD IN OUR STILLNESS.

Priest: We call on the mercy of God to meet us in our brokenness:

ALL GOD IN OUR WAKING, GOD IN OUR SLEEPING.

Priest: We call on the Spirit of God to meet us in our division:

ALL GOD IN OUR MEETING, GOD IN OUR PARTING.

INTERCESSIONS

The Peace

Priest: Let us now call on the grace of God
to meet us as we worship together and share peace with one another
in our households or in our hearts
The Peace of the Lord be always with you

The sharing of Bread and Water

Priest: We have shared peace,
we have shared thanksgiving,
and now in solidarity and agape
we share ordinary bread and ordinary water together (Bread is broken)

Priest: Taste and see that God is good.

Prayer after sharing

Priest: With gratefulness to each other for all that we have shared and
thankfulness to God and all the people who have brought this good
food and water to us, we begin to look outwards and ahead to our
lives beyond this time

So let us pray: Dear God, we give thanks for places of simplicity and peace
ALL LET US FIND SUCH A PLACE WITHIN OURSELVES.

Priest: We give thanks for places of refuge and beauty
ALL LET US FIND SUCH A PLACE WITHIN OURSELVES.

Priest: We give thanks for places of truth and freedom, of joy,
inspiration and renewal, places where all creatures may find
acceptance and belonging.
**ALL LET US SEARCH FOR THESE PLACES:
IN THE WORLD, IN OURSELVES AND OTHERS.
LET US RESTORE THEM.
LET US STRENGTHEN AND PROTECT THEM
AND LET US CREATE THEM.**

Priest: May we mend this outer world according to the truth of our inner
life and may our souls be shaped and nourished by nature's
eternal wisdom, in the country, in the city, and in every place we
go.
ALL AMEN

Sing or say:

Brother sister let me serve you
Let me be as Christ to you
Pray that I may have the grace
To let you be my servant too

We are pilgrims on a journey
Fellow travellers on the road
We are here to help each other
Walk the mile and bear the load

I will hold the Christ light for you
In the night time of your fear
I will hold my hand out to you
Speak the peace you long to hear

CLOSING RESPONSES

Priest: O God of life, of all life and of each life, we lay our lives before you; we give our lives to you
You are before us, O God, you are behind.us
You are around us, O God, you are within.us
O God of life, O generous Spirit,
**ALL: RENEW US WITH YOUR LIFE, TODAY, TOMORROW AND ALWAYS.
AMEN**

Blessing

Priest: Living God, bless all who have gathered today
May we know the fullness of your presence at every meal and in all our sharing.

This service was adapted from an Agape service in Iona Abbey and the meditation was written by Nick Fawcett and Linda Munt