

**Maundy Thursday**  
March 28, 2024, 6:30 pm

**i** - congregation stands. **s** - congregation sits. **k** - congregation kneel or sit as you are able.  
♫ - congregation sings. Congregation responds in **bold print**.

*Children are encouraged to stand, sit, and kneel with the congregation.  
If you are uncomfortable standing or kneeling, you may choose to sit.*

*Welcome visitors and guests. We are glad to have you worshiping with us today and would be happy to answer any questions you may have about our congregation. Please feel free to speak with one of the pastors or call the church during the week.*

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*Holy Communion is celebrated at each of our regular weekend services and on other special days in the church year. In accordance with the historic practice of the Christian Church, our congregation practices close communion, meaning that normally our members and members of our sister (LCMS) congregations commune here. Please speak to one of the pastors about exceptions to this general practice. Please also note that this practice in no way intends to comment on the state of anyone else's faith; we simply understand our communing together as also a public profession of unity in doctrine, which not everyone shares. Those who do not commune here may come forward for a blessing (simply fold your arms over your heart to indicate that you are not communing) or remain in the pew during communion and pray, particularly for visible unity in the Christian Church.*

**As We Gather**

An ancient custom of the early Christian Church considered the services beginning with Maundy Thursday and continuing through Holy Saturday to be one service, called the Triduum (Latin for "the three days"). Even though people go home to rest and carry out their necessary responsibilities, they are encouraged to remember that at least in spirit, they are still worshiping and remembering the events of Holy Week. Thus there is no benediction at the end of this service.

The name Maundy Thursday comes from the Latin word *mandatum*, meaning "commandment," taken from Jesus' words to the disciples in John 13:34, "A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another just as I have loved you".

**Prelude** "A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth" - setting by H. F. Micheelsen  
Avis Chmielewski, soloist



Welcome and Announcements

Order of Service

(adapted from Divine Service - 3, Lutheran Service Book, p. 184)

**HYMN:** "There is a Green Hill Far Away"- *The Children's Hymnal* - #43



1 There is a green hill far a - way, Out -  
 2 We may not know, we can - not tell What  
 3 He died that we might be for - giv'n, He  
 4 There was no oth - er good e - nough To  
 5 Oh, dear - ly, dear - ly has He loved! And



side a cit - y wall, Where the dear Lord was  
 pains He had to bear, But we be - lieve it  
 died to make us good, That we might go at  
 pay the price of sin, He on - ly could un -  
 we must love Him too And trust in His re -



cru - ci - fied, Who died to save us all.  
 was for us He hung and suf - fered there.  
 last to heav'n, Saved by His pre - cious blood.  
 lock the gate Of heav'n and let us in.  
 deem - ing blood And try His works to do.

SERVICE OF CORPORATE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Facing the altar, the pastor stands at the foot of the chancel and says:

In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

I will go to the altar of God.  
**To God, my exceeding joy.** *Psalm 43:4*

Our help is in the name of the Lord.  
**Who made heaven and earth.** *Psalm 124:8*

*(Then the following CONFESSIONAL ADDRESS is read.)*

During this Lenten season we have heard our Lord's call to intensify our struggle against sin, death, and the devil—all that prevents us from trusting in God and loving each other. Since it is our intention to receive the Holy Supper of our Lord Jesus Christ on this night when He instituted this blessed meal for our salvation, it is proper that we complete our Lenten discipline by diligently examining ourselves, as St. Paul urges us to do. This holy Sacrament has been instituted for the special comfort of those who are troubled because of their sins, humbly confess them, 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, and He gives us the fruit of His sacrifice—His true body and blood—in, with and under the bread and wine of Holy Communion. 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. As our Lord on this night exemplified this love by washing His disciples' feet, so we, by our words and actions, serve one another in love. 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 the one bread is 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.

**Amen.**

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



**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.**

God be merciful to you and strengthen your faith.

**Amen.**

Do you believe that the forgiveness I speak is not my forgiveness, but God's?

**Yes.**

Let it be done for you as you believe. 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.

**Amen.**

Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and 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. *(1 Thessalonians 5:23–24)*

**Amen.**

**i** INTROIT (Ps. 116:12-19)



What shall I render | to the LORD\*  
for all His bene- | fits to me?

**I will lift up the cup of sal- | vation\*  
and call on the name | of the LORD,**

I will pay my vows | to the LORD\*  
in the presence of all His | people.

**Precious in the sight | of the LORD\*  
is the death | of His saints.**

O LORD, I am Your | servant;\*

I am Your servant, the son of Your maidservant.

You have | loosed my bonds.

**I will offer to You the sacrifice of thanks- | giving\*  
and call on the name | of the LORD.**

I will pay my vows | to the LORD\*

in the presence of all His | people,

**in the courts of the house | of the LORD,\*  
in your midst, O Jer- | usalem.**

Praise the LORD! I will offer to You the sacrifice of thanks- | giving\*  
and call on the name | of the LORD.

**GLORIA PATRI** (LSB p. 186)



**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:  
world without end. Amen.**

**KYRIE**



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

**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**

(LSB p. 187)

Glory be to God on high;



**And on earth peace, good will toward men.  
We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee,  
We glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee for Thy great glory.  
O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.  
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;  
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
That takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.  
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.  
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.  
For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.**



**Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,  
Art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

The Lord be with you.

♫ **And with thy spirit.**

### COLLECT OF THE DAY

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.

♫ **Amen.**

### + SCRIPTURES FOR THE DAY +

#### Old Testament

**Exodus 24:3-11**

Moses came and told the people all the words of the LORD and all the rules. And all the people answered with one voice and said, "All the words that the LORD has spoken we will do". And Moses wrote down all the words of the LORD.

He rose early in the morning and built an altar at the foot of the mountain, and twelve pillars, according to the twelve tribes of Israel. And he sent young men of the people of Israel, who offered burnt offerings and sacrificed peace offerings of oxen to the LORD. And Moses took half of the blood and put it in basins, and half of the blood he threw against the altar. Then he took the Book of the Covenant and read it in the hearing of the people. And they said, "All that the LORD has spoken we will do, and we will be obedient".

And Moses took the blood and threw it on the people and said, "Behold the blood of the covenant that the LORD has made with you in accordance with all these words".

Then Moses and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up, and they saw the God of Israel. There was under his feet as it were a pavement of sapphire stone, like the very heaven for clearness. And he did not lay his hand on the chief men of the people of Israel; they beheld God, and ate and drank.

This is the Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God.**

#### Epistle

**1 Corinthians 10:16-17**

The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a participation in the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a participation in the body of Christ? Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread.

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♫ The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the fourteenth chapter,  
**Glory to You, O Lord.**

#### HOLY GOSPEL

**Mark 14:12-42**

And on the first day of Unleavened Bread, when they sacrificed the Passover lamb, his disciples said to him, "Where will you have us go and prepare for you to eat the Passover?". And he sent two of his disciples and said to them, "Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. Follow him, and wherever he enters, say to the master of the house, 'The Teacher says, Where is my guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?'. And he will show you a large upper room furnished and ready; there prepare for us". And the disciples set out and went to the city and found it just as he had told them, and they prepared the Passover.

And when it was evening, he came with the twelve. And as they were reclining at table and eating, Jesus said, "Truly, I say to you, one of you will betray me, one who is eating with me." They began to be sorrowful and to say to him one after another, "Is it I?" He said to them, "It is one of the twelve, one who is dipping bread into the dish with me. For the Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that man if he had not been born".

And as they were eating, he took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to them, and said, "Take; this is my body". And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, and they all drank of it. And he said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. Truly, I say to you, I will not drink again of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God".

And when they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. And Jesus said to them, "You will all fall away, for it is written, 'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered.' But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee." Peter said to him, "Even though they all fall away, I will not." And Jesus said to him, "Truly, I tell you, this very night, before the rooster crows twice, you will deny me three times." But he said emphatically, "If I must die with you, I will not deny you." And they all said the same.

And they went to a place called Gethsemane. And he said to his disciples, "Sit here while I pray." And he took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be greatly distressed and troubled. And he said to them, "My soul is very sorrowful, even to death. Remain here and watch." And going a little farther, he fell on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. And he said, "Abba, Father, all things are possible for you. Remove this cup from me. Yet not what I will, but what you will." And he came and found them sleeping, and he said to Peter, "Simon, are you asleep? Could you not watch one hour? Watch and pray that you may not enter into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak." And again he went away and prayed, saying the same words. And again he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were very heavy, and they did not know what to answer him. And he came the third time and said to them, "Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? It is enough; the hour has come. The Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Rise, let us be going; see, my betrayer is at hand."

This is the Gospel of our Lord.  
**Praise to You, O Christ.**

#### 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 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 of the world to come. Amen.**

**HYMN: "Go to Dark Gethsemane" - LSB #436**

**MESSAGE: Pastor Joshua Errer**

#### Gathering of the Offering

*Faith members willingly support the ministry of this congregation with their tithes and offerings. Visitors are always welcomed as our guests, so please do not feel obligated to contribute. During the offertory we ask that the registration in the red folder located at the end of each pew be passed down and filled out by visitors and members. Visitors, please remember to include contact information if you are interested in knowing more about Faith.*

**Scan to Give**



**HYMN: "An Upper Room with Evening Lamps Ashine" - arr. David W. Music**

**Soloist: An upper room with evening lamps ashine,  
the twelve disciples, and the table spread:  
now in our turn Christ bids us pour the wine,  
and in remembrance bless and break the bread**

We see by faith upon the cross displayed  
 His body broken and His blood outpoured;  
 in that dread robe of majesty arrayed  
 we gaze in worship on the dying Lord.

(Congregation joins; sung to the tune of "Abide with Me")

Dead for our sins, yet reigning now above:  
 still to our hearts we find His presence giv'n;  
 take for ourselves the pledges of His love  
 foretaste and token of that feast in heav'n.

So send us out, to love and serve and praise,  
 filled with His Spirit, as the Master said:  
 love, joy and peace the wine for all our days,  
 Christ and His life our true and living bread.

Timothy Dudley-Smith

OFFERTORY (LSB p. 192)

C: Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right  
 spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from Thy pres-ence; and  
 take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of  
 Thy sal - va - tion; and up - hold me with Thy free Spir - it. A - men.

PRAYERS

+ SACRAMENT +  
 (LSB p. 194)

PREFACE

The Lord be with you.

And with thy — spir - it.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up un - to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

It is meet and right so to do.

PROPER PREFACE

SANCTUS (LSB p. 195)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;  
 heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho -  
 san-na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the  
 name of the Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

LORD'S PRAYER (LSB p. 196)

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 and ever.  
Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
Amen.

AGNUS DEI (LSB p. 198)

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world,  
have mercy upon us.  
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world,  
have mercy upon us.  
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world,  
grant us Thy peace. Amen.

Visitors, please see the inside front cover of the bulletin for an explanation of our communion practice. Also, non-alcoholic wine is available in the individual cups. It is the clear wine in the cups at the center of the tray. Note: If you prefer to receive from the chalice, simply do not take one of the individual cups. The pastor will follow with the chalice.

COMMUNION HYMNS

"Behold the Lamb of God" - Paul Bouman

"'Twas on that Dark and Doleful Night" - Christian Worship #136

1 'Twas on that dark, that dole - ful night When pow'rs of  
2 Be - fore the mourn - ful scene be - gan, He took the  
3 "This is my bod - y, slain for sin; Re - ceive and  
4 "Do this," he said, "till time shall end, In mem - 'ry

earth and hell a - rose A - gainst the Son, our  
bread and blessed and broke. What love through all his  
eat the liv - ing food." Then took the cup and  
of your dy - ing friend; Meet at my ta - ble

God's de - light, And friends be - trayed him to his foes.  
ac - tions ran! What won - drous words of grace he spoke!  
blessed the wine: "'Tis the new cov - 'nant in my blood."  
and re - cord The love of your de - part - ed Lord."

5 Jesus, your feast we celebrate;  
We show your death; we sing your name  
Till you return and we shall eat  
The marriage supper of the Lamb.

"What Wondrous Love is This" - LSB #543

## STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR

(Psalm 88 is chanted)

After the altar and chancel are empty, the ministers and congregation leave in silence.

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### *Holy Week Services*

*Fri. 3/29 Tre Ore Service 12:00 - 3:00 pm*  
*(7 small services all approx. 25 min. long)*

*Tenebrae Service 6:30 pm*

*Sat. 3/30 Easter Vigil 8:00 pm*

*Sun. 3/31 Easter Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 am*  
*(Adult Choir sings at 8 & Childrens' Choirs sing at 10:30)*  
*(Easter Breakfast will be served from 9:00-10:30 am)*

**Mon. 4/1 No Monday Evening Service**