



MAUNDY THURSDAY

March 28, 2024

SERVING TODAY:

Reader: Tracy Caine
Altar Guild: Kathy Knox
Communion Assistant: Bali Botkin
Video Assistant: Mike & Carolyn Lewis
Ushers: Ron Jantz, Mark Mitchell, Allen Baker, Bob Pirog & Will Koski
Acolyte and Crucifer: Sara and Emma Lewis

PRELUDE: Ron Wallace

Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness

Leader: Bless the Lord who forgives our sins.
People: **His mercy endures forever.**

Leader: Almighty God, whose dear Son, on the night before he suffered, instituted the Sacrament of his Body and Blood: Mercifully grant that we may receive it thankfully in remembrance of Jesus Christ our Lord, who in these holy mysteries gives us a pledge of eternal life; and who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

Leader: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
(Pause for silent reflection)

Most merciful God,

ALL: We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Leader: 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.

HYMN:

Great God, Your Love Has Called Us

Great God, your love has called us here, as we, by love, for love were made.
Your living likeness still we bear, though marred, dishonored, disobeyed.
We come, with all our heart and mind your call to hear, your love to find.

We come with self-inflicted pains of broken trust and chosen wrong,
half-free, half bound by inner chains, by social forces swept along,
by pow'rs and systems close confined yet seeking hope for humankind.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. ***And also with you.***

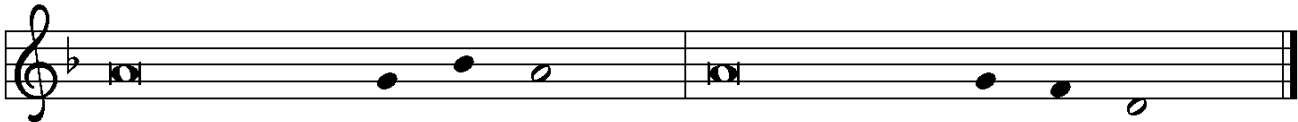
Let us pray. Holy God, source of all love, on the night of his betrayal, Jesus gave us a new commandment, to love one another as he loves us. Write this commandment in our hearts and give us the will to serve others as he was the servant of all, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **AMEN.**

FIRST LESSON: Exodus 12:1-4, 11-14

12The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: **2**This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. **3**Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. **4**If a household is too small for a whole lamb; it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. **11**This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the Passover of the LORD. **12**For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD. **13**The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt. **14**This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 116:1, 10-17 –



1I love the LORD, who has | heard my voice,
and listened to my | supplication,
10I believed, even | when I said,
"I am great- | ly afflicted."
11In my dis- | tress I said,
"No one | can be trusted."
12How shall I re- | pay the LORD
for all the good things God has | done for me?
13I will lift the cup | of salvation
and call on the name | of the LORD.
14I will fulfill my vows | to the LORD
in the presence of | all God's people.
15Precious in your | sight, O LORD,
is the death | of your servants.
16O LORD, truly I | am your servant;
I am your servant, the child of your handmaid; you have freed me | from my bonds.
17I will offer you the sacrifice | of thanksgiving
and call upon the name | of the LORD.

SECOND LESSON: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

23For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, **24**and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." **25**In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." **26**For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

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Gospel Acclamation:***Return to the Lord***

Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and mer - ci - ful,
slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

The Gospel of the Lord according to John. **(John 13:1-17, 31b-35)**
Glory to You, O Lord.

13Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. ²The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper ³Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, ⁴got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. ⁵Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. ⁶He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" ⁷Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." ⁸Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." ⁹Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" ¹⁰Jesus said to him, "One who has bathed does not need to wash, except for the feet, but is entirely clean. And you are clean, though not all of you." ¹¹For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason, he said, "Not all of you are clean."
¹²After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table, he said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you? ¹³You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. ¹⁴So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. ¹⁵For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. ¹⁶Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. ¹⁷If you know these things; you are blessed if you do them."
³¹Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. ³²If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. ³³Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now, I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' ³⁴I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵By this everyone will know that you are my disciples if you have love for one another."

SPECIAL MUSIC***The Upper Room*****Adult Choir****MESSAGE**

Stefanie Rowinski

HYMN***Great God, Your Love Has Called Us***

Great God, in Christ you call our name and then receive us as your own,
not through some merit, right, or claim, but by your gracious love alone.
We strain to glimpse your mercy seat and find you kneeling at our feet.

Then take the towel, and break the bread, and humble us, and call us friends.
Suffer and serve till all are fed and show how grandly love intends
to work till all creation sings, to fill all worlds, to crown all things.

Great God, in Christ you set us free your life to live, your joy to share.
Give us your Spirit's liberty to turn from guilt and dull despair,
and offer all that faith can do while love is making all things news.

PRAYERS

On this holy night we dine together as the body of Christ, and at the table commit ourselves to love and serve one another. On this holy night, then, let us pray for the church and all humankind.

God our provider, you feed us with the bread of life and lift for us the cup of salvation, on this night Jesus gave us this holy feast: may all who gather at your table receive a foretaste of the eternal banquet. God of love **hear our prayer.**

God who serves, on this night Jesus washed his disciples' feet: may we follow this example of love and service. God of love **hear our prayer.**

God our companion in sorrow, we pray for those unable to eat at the Lord's Table or at any other table, for those who betray and for those betrayed, and for all innocent victims. God of love **hear our prayer.**

God of hope, remember all those in need, especially those we silently hold before you now ...God of love **hear our prayer.**

We pray to you, O God, in the name of the One who endured the cross, forgives our sin, and feeds us at his table, Jesus Christ, our Lord. **AMEN**

HOLY COMMUNION

The Lord be with you... **And also with you**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thank to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. For our sins he was lifted high upon the cross, that he might draw the whole world to himself; and, by his suffering and death, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who put their trust in him. Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to the glory of your Name:

Holy, Holy, Holy



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith,

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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, for ever and ever. AMEN.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS AROUND THE ALTAR

POST COMMUNION HYMN:

The Love of God

vs 1 & 3

J=105

1. The love of God is great - er far Than tongue or pen can ev - er
2. When years of time shall pass a - way, And earth - ly thrones and king - doms
3. Could we with ink the o - cean fill, And were the skies of parch - ment

tell; It goes be - yond the high - est star, And reach - es to the low - est hell; The guilt - y
fall, When men, who here re - fuse to pray, On rocks and hills and mount - ains call, God's love so
made, Were ev - ery stalk on earth a quill, And eve - ry man a scribe by trade, To write the

pair, bowed down with care, God gave His Son to win; His err - ing child He re - con -
sure, shall still en - dure, All mea - sure - less and strong; Re - deem - ing grace to A - dam's
love of God a - bove, Would drain the o - cean dry. Nor could the scroll con - tain the

Refrain
- ciled, And par - doned from his sin. O love of God, how rich and pure! How mea - sure -
The saints' and an - gels' song. The saints' and an - gels' song.
whole, Though stretched from sky to sky.

- less and strong! It shall for - ev - er - more en - dure The saints' and an - gels' song.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Altar is Stripped

BENEDICTION

DEPART IN SILENCE.

Our Service continues at 7:00PM tomorrow for Good Friday.

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

Please join us again tomorrow night for our Good Friday service at 7 pm.

EASTER CARNIVAL AND EGG HUNT

Saturday 3/30 10 am -noon

EASTER SERVICE

At 9:30am Easter Sunday morning as we celebrate the resurrected Christ!

FLOWERING CROSS - EASTER SUNDAY

Bring your flowers for our Flowering Cross! Whether cut from your garden or bought from your favorite florist, bring flowers to add to our Flowering Cross at the start of service.

Invite someone to join you!