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MAUNDY THURSDAY

March 28, 2024 ~ 7:00pm

Welcome to God's house! Here we meet Jesus, right where He promises to be, in Word and Sacrament. We are so glad you came!

We love children at Christ Our Savior. Parents are encouraged to sit in the front pews so young children can see what is happening during worship. A nursery for children, infant to 3 yrs, and a family lounge off the Advent Lobby are available for those who prefer these areas. Ask an usher for directions.

Please check in with the Friendship Pad or Online. Remove the Friendship pad from the hymn rack on the center aisle and fill out your information. Take note of the people sitting around you – welcome each other by name! Or check in online at: https://christoursavior.org/check-in

The Lord's Supper. When we celebrate the Lord's Supper, we confess our common belief that Christ offers His Body and Blood in, with, and under the bread and wine, for our forgiveness, life and salvation! We truly believe God's Word when He says, "whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord" *1 Corinthians 11:27*. We want you to receive the Lord's Supper as God intended it – for your blessing – so those who are not communicant members of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod are asked to speak with a pastor or elder prior to communing. If you are not communing today, you are welcome to come to the communion rail to receive a blessing, the assurance that God loves you, or you may remain in your seat and use the time for prayer and meditation. For those desiring to receive the Lord's Supper but are unable to come forward, please get the attention of the pastor/communion assistant as they come out into the congregation during distribution. They will commune you at your seat. God bless your worship!

As We Gather

In about 1498, Leonardo da Vinci completed his masterpiece "The Last Supper." This famous painting shows Jesus seated at the table on Holy Thursday, surrounded by His twelve disciples. Although Judas the betrayer is positioned lower than the rest and darkened in features, Christ is full of light. Both the set of three windows that appear behind Jesus and the triangular shape of His body show how the triune God is made flesh in our Redeemer. All the gestures and expressions of the disciples are painted in such a way to capture the mixed moods of the night when our Lord was betrayed and handed over to death for us. Looking closely at the painting, every line is positioned in such a way to guide your eyes toward the center: Jesus, the Host of the feast, the centerpiece of da Vinci's masterpiece! The Meal we gather to receive today is all about Jesus. The One who is the center of it all longs to gather His guests together to feast in His presence, both now and forevermore.

Order of Worship

Divine Service, Setting Three with Holy Communion

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

♣ Preparation ♣

OPENING HYMN

"Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain"

LSB 435

- Come to Calv'ry's holy mountain, Sinners, ruined by the fall;
 Here a pure and healing fountain Flows for you, for me, for all,
 In a full, perpetual tide, Opened when our Savior died.
- Come in poverty and meanness, Come defiled, without, within;From infection and uncleanness, From the leprosy of sin,Wash your robes and make them white; Ye shall walk with God in light.
- 3. Come in sorrow and contrition, Wounded, impotent, and blind; Here the guilty, free remission, Here the troubled, peace may find. Health this fountain will restore; They that drink shall thirst no more.
- They that drink shall live forever; 'Tis a soul-renewing flood.
 God is faithful; God will never Break His covenant of blood,
 Signed when our Redeemer died, Sealed when He was glorified.

INVOCATION

- In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

By means of His Word and Supper, we gather together this day to receive our Savior's mercy and respond to Him in thanksgiving and praise. Because of our sins of thought, word, and deed, we are spiritually bankrupt and unworthy of the grace we receive. Yet at the invitation of our loving Redeemer, we come to His Table and take our place with Him. Acknowledging our sin, let us find refuge in our God of grace and say, "God be merciful to me, a sinner."

In silent prayer, we reflect on God's Word and confess our sins to the Lord.

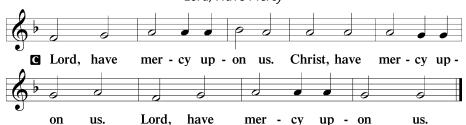
- P Together, let us pray:
- Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life, that we may enjoy the fullness of Your presence at the feast You have prepared for all who trust in You. Amen.
- Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die and rise again for you so that you may be redeemed and restored. You have been invited to the eternal banquet, the heavenly feast, where our Savior and Host delights us with the richest of fare, the forgiveness of sins. Upon this your confession, I, as a servant of Christ and your pastor, forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

♣ Service of the Word ♣

INTROIT

Psalm 116:1-4; antiphon: v. 5

- P Gracious is the LORD, and righteous;
- our God is merciful.
- P I love the LORD, because He has heard
- my voice and my pleas for mercy.
- P Because He inclined His ear to me,
- therefore I will call on Him as long as I live.
- P The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me;
- I suffered distress and anguish.
- **P** Then I called on the name of the LORD:
- "O LORD, I pray, deliver my soul!"
- P Gracious is the LORD, and righteous;
- our God is merciful.



SALUTATION AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

LSB 189

P The Lord be with you.



- Let us pray. Lord Jesus, in Holy Communion, You have left us a remembrance of Your suffering and death for our salvation.
- As we eat with You in the kingdom of God, grant that our hearts and minds may be turned to You alone;
- **P** for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Fxodus 24:3-11

(The blood of the covenant was offered for God's people.)

³Moses came and told the people all the words of the LORD and all the just decrees. And all the people answered with one voice and said, "All the words that the LORD has spoken we will do." ⁴And 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. ⁵And he sent young men of the people of Israel, who offered burnt offerings and sacrificed peace offerings of oxen to the LORD. ⁶And Moses took half of the blood and put it in basins, and half of the blood he threw against the altar. ⁷Then 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." ⁸And 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." ⁹Then Moses and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up, ¹⁰and 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. ¹¹And he did not lay his hand on the chief men of the people of Israel; they beheld God, and ate and drank.

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

¹⁶The 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? ¹⁷Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread.

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

CHORAL ANTHEM

"Behold, Your Promised Lord"

Benjamin Culli

Behold your promised Lord, who takes the bread and wine, and with His word outpoured creates a meal divine. Oh, take and eat, this cov'nant new: His mercy true and love complete. Behold your gracious Lord who comes to be your guest until He has restored and given perfect rest. Oh, sit and hear His words of peace; All fears will cease in promise clear. Behold your paschal Lord, the holy sacrifice. In flesh, the Lamb adored has come to pay your price. Oh, wait and pray throughout the night as He makes right and leads the way. Behold your mighty Lord, the God of earth and sky, whom angels in accord sing out with awe-struck cry. Oh, come and praise in loud refrains the One who reigns for countless days.

HOLY GOSPEL

(Jesus institutes the Lord's Supper.)

Mark 14:12–26

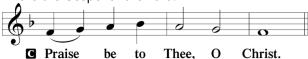
P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the fourteenth chapter.



¹²On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when they sacrificed the Passover lamb, [Jesus'] disciples said to him, "Where will you have us go and prepare for you to eat the Passover?" ¹³And 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, ¹⁴ 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?' ¹⁵And he will show you a large upper room furnished and ready; there prepare for us." ¹⁶And the disciples set out and went to the city and found it just as he had told them, and they prepared the Passover. ¹⁷And when it was evening, he came with the twelve. ¹⁸And 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." ¹⁹They began to be sorrowful and to say to him one after another, "Is it I?" ²⁰He said to them, "It is one of the twelve, one who is dipping bread into the dish with me. ²¹For 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." ²²And 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." ²³And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, and they all drank of it. ²⁴And he said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for

many. ²⁵Truly, 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." ²⁶And when they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



THIS IS WHAT WE BELIEVE

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 \pm of the world to come. Amen.

SERMON HYMN

"O Lord, We Praise Thee"

LSB 617

O Lord, we praise Thee, bless Thee, and adore Thee,
 In thanksgiving bow before Thee.
 Thou with Thy body and Thy blood didst nourish
 Our weak souls that they may flourish: O Lord, have mercy!
 May Thy body, Lord, born of Mary, That our sins and sorrows did carry,
 And Thy blood for us plead In all trial, fear, and need: O Lord, have mercy!

Choir: 2. Thy holy body into death was given,

Life to win for us in heaven.

No greater love than this to Thee could bind us;

May this feast thereof remind us! O Lord, have mercy!

Lord, Thy kindness did so constrain Thee That Thy blood should bless and sustain me. All our debt Thou hast paid; Peace with God once more is made: O Lord, have mercy!

continued

3. May God bestow on us His grace and favor
That we follow Christ our Savior
And live together here in love and union
Nor despise this blest Communion! O Lord, have mercy!
Let not Thy good Spirit forsake us; Grant that heav'nly-minded He make us;
Give Thy Church, Lord, to see Days of peace and unity: O Lord, have mercy!

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SERMON

"A Taste of Heaven Right Now"

1 Corinthians 10:16–17

OFFERING

PRAYER AT OFFERING

- P Heavenly Father, receive these gifts joyfully brought to you this day for Your use in Your kingdom. Bless them and all the gifts which you have entrusted to us so that with them, the kingdom is strengthened to Your glory. Strengthened to sustain the saints and for their witness to those who have not yet awakened to know Jesus, Your Son, as their Lord and Savior.
- All that I have is Yours, Lord Jesus Christ. All that I have is You.
- P Use then these and all of our gifts unto the increase of Your glory.
- C Amen.

OFFERTORY (sung) LSB 192

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P Brothers and sisters in Christ, let us lift up our hearts and voices to the God of all mercy as He has invited us to pray to Him in the name of our Savior and in the way in which He has taught us. Lord, in Your mercy,
- hear our prayer.
- P Our Father in heaven, look with mercy upon us, for without Your aid we are spiritually poor, crippled, blind, and lame. Grant us grace that Your holy name is kept sacred among us and that, in all the world, Your Son may be known through the preaching of Your Word to the ends of the earth. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **©** hear our prayer.

- King of kings, may Your rule and reign come to us and expand throughout the world. Bring all who are blinded by sin and bound by death to know Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Work through our earthly leaders and public servants so that Your hand of blessing may be known to all. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- P Strengthen us by Your Spirit according to Your will, both in life and in death, in the midst of both good and evil things, that by faith we cling to the One who was betrayed and handed over to death for us. Into Your care we commend those who have needs in both soul and body. For these, and for all those we name before You in the silence of our hearts, we ask that Your will may be done among us [silence]. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- How blessed we are to eat bread in Your kingdom, O God! Lord Jesus, You alone are the Bread of Life, and You alone satisfy our hungry hearts. Grant to us our daily bread and help us to realize that You daily and richly provide for all that we need according to Your own riches and grace. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- P Forgive us our sins as we also forgive those who sin against us. Center our hearts and minds on You alone. As we recognize that we are spiritually bankrupt without Your mercy, grant that the spirit of unforgiveness be removed from us so that we live in peace with You and with one another. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Lead us not into temptation, O Lord, but help us to take refuge in Your grace. On this very night, You were betrayed by one of Your own and handed over to death. Direct us to follow You to the cross of Calvary, where You laid down Your life to deliver us from the evil one and all his works and all his ways. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **©** hear our prayer.
- We belong to You, O Lord. Renew us, guide us, and lead us so that we may bless Your holy name and celebrate the feast You have prepared for us,
- for Yours is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, now and forever. Amen.

→ Service of the Sacrament →

We ask that all visitors carefully read our communion statement found in the front of this service bulletin before approaching the communion table.

PREFACE LSB 194

P The Lord be with you.



P Lift up your hearts.



P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.



PROPER PREFACE

It is truly good, right, and for our salvation 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 invites us to His eternal banquet Table and feeds us with the Bread of Life, which alone satisfies our hungry hearts and enables us to joyfully experience His presence forever. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

SANCTUS (sung) Holy, Holy, Holy LSB 195

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth; heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

- Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.
- Jesus prepares His Table before us and invites us to feast with Him in His eternal kingdom.
- P Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of Christ's cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood. Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

LORD'S PRAYER Matthew 6:9-13

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.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Matt. 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Cor. 11:23-25

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ⅓ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He 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. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PAX DOMINI LSB 197

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.



AGNUS DEI (sung) Lamb of God LSB 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.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

The ushers will direct the congregation to the communion rail via the side aisles. When at the communion rail, you are welcome to kneel, as you are able, or remain standing. If you have come to receive a blessing only, please cross your arms over your chest. As the pastor/elder offers you the bread (host) please hold out your hand to receive it. If you require a gluten-free host, please signal to the pastor/elder and take a gluten-free host from the center of the plate. Similarly, if you require an alcohol-free alternative to the wine, please take one of the individual cups from the center of the tray. After receiving the Lord's Supper, please return to your seat by the center aisle. If you are communing at your seat, please get the attention of the pastor/communion assistant, and they will commune you there.

ANTHEM "On My Heart Imprint Your Image" Aaron Garber

On my heart imprint your image, blessed Jesus, king of grace, that life's troubles nor its pleasures ever may your work erase. On my heart imprint your image, blessed Jesus, king of grace, that life's troubles nor its pleasures ever may your work erase. Let the clear inscription be: Jesus, crucified for me, is my life, my hope's foundation, all my glory and salvation! On my heart imprint your image, blessed Jesus, king of grace, that life's troubles nor its pleasures ever may your work erase.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

"The Old Rugged Cross"

- 1. On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross, the emblem of suffering and shame; and I love that old cross where the dearest and best for a world of lost sinners was slain.
 - Refrain: So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, till my trophies at last I lay down;
 I will cling to the old rugged cross, and exchange it some day for a crown.
- 2. O that old rugged cross, so despised by the world, has a wondrous attraction for me; for the dear Lamb of God left his glory above to bear it to dark Calvary. *Refrain*
- 3. In that old rugged cross, stained with blood so divine, a wondrous beauty I see, for 'twas on that old cross Jesus suffered and died, to pardon and sanctify me. Refrain
- 4. To that old rugged cross I will ever be true, its shame and reproach gladly bear; then he'll call me some day to my home far away, where his glory forever I'll share. *Refrain*

NUNC DIMITTIS (sung)

Song of Simeon

LSB 199

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel.

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.

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

- Let us pray. O Jesus, Lamb of God, we thank You for refreshing us through the gift of Your body and blood in this sacred Meal.
- Enable us with renewed minds and hearts to always love and trust in You alone;
- **P** for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

BENEDICTION Numbers 6:24-26

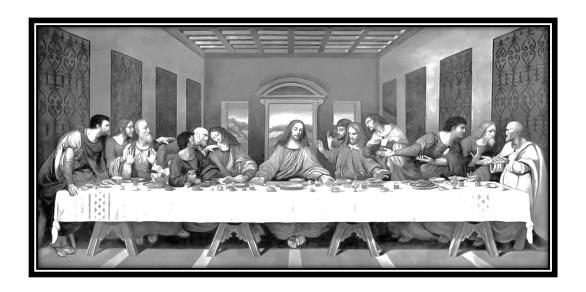
P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and

→ give you peace.





→ Stripping of the Altar →

It is the night in which our Savior was betrayed. We remove the appointments of the chancel to symbolize the abuse He received. The candles shine no more as the Light of the World is taken to His death, the books are closed as the Word is silenced for a time, the paraments on the altar and the pulpit are removed as our Lord's body is laid bare and the altar is left alone for the sacrifice to be remembered tomorrow.

As the pastor's "strip" the altar, the anthem of "Gethsemane" will be sung and the anthem of "O Sacred Head Now Wounded" will be played.

Candles are extinguished and removed.

Jesus said, "I am the Light of the world. Whoever follows Me will have the light of life and will never walk in darkness." The events of Golgotha snuffed out the human life of Jesus, the Light of the world. As even creation was dark when He suffered, so we extinguish our candles and remove them.

Offerings are removed.

Our offerings represent one way of serving God and others. They reflect God's greatest offering to the world and to us in sending His Son, Jesus, in human form. As the offered body of Jesus was removed from sight in burial, so we remove our offerings.

Missal stands and service books are removed.

This missal stand holds our worship books that guide our worship life together as we sing praises to God. As Jesus suffers, joyous songs are not heard. As these sounds of joy are removed from our lips, we remove the missal stand.

Communion vessels are removed.

Jesus' offered body and His shed blood have been given to us in, with, and under the form of bread and wine in this Holy Mystery. As He was removed from us in the grave, so we remove the elements and vessels of this Sacrament.

Altar paraments are removed.

Our altar is in the form of a table. It is here where our Lord Jesus serves us as both host and meal at His banquet feast. The coverings and paraments are made of fine linen and brocade---materials appropriate for feasting with our King. As our King's body was stripped in crucifixion, so our altar is stripped of its coverings.

The placing of the Crown of Thorns.

SILENT RECESSIONAL

The congregation may stay for meditation and prayer.

Please leave in silence as a courtesy to those desiring to stay for prayer.



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